

September 9, 2018 ~ 10:15 am

Assemble in God's Name

Prelude/Choral Introit

Call to Worship

L: Here, in this place, we will not be afraid to sing the good news.

P: We will praise our God, now and always.

L: Here, with these people, we will not fear in living the good news.

P: We will walk with Jesus, as He comes with justice in His hands.

L: Here, in these moments, we will not be scared to tell the good news.

P: We will be open to all the Holy Spirit is doing in our midst.

Prayer of Invocation

On Your holy road, Heart of faithfulness, those blinded by fear will see hope; those deafened by doubt's cries will hear grace; those who have only crumbs will be filled with love. On Your holy road, Heart of justice, bullies will become mentors for those they tormented; those who can't find the right words will compose songs of wonder; those who trip over their worries will dance in the streets. On Your holy road, Heart of grace, those convinced of their ways will learn to change their minds; those whose hearts are barren deserts will bloom with bouquets of laughter; those who have buried faith under a mound of words will see it resurrected in compassion for others. We long to journey on Your holy road, God in Community. Amen.

***Hymn #203**

"Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love"

***Call to Confession**

So many choices, and we make the wrong ones; so many paths to take, and we go down the wrong ones; so much good we could do, and all we do is offer empty words. Let us bring our lives and hearts to our God, who is our help and hope, in this and every moment. Let us pray together, saying,

***Unison Prayer of Confession**

We say that we are good listeners, God of holy ways, but we turn stopped up ears to the vulnerable around us. We say that we live as Your people, but too often, put ourselves ahead of the people we love. We say that we are people of faith, but then try to overwhelm people with words, rather than acts of service. We say so much, God of compassion, that we cannot hear You calling us to faithful living. Have mercy on us and send us out to offer kindness to the lonely. Have mercy on us and send us to be generous with the love You offer. Have mercy on us, so we might be open to all the chances we will have to follow, and to serve alongside our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

***Time for Silent Prayer of Confession**

***Assurance of Pardon**

L: Whisper it. Say it. Shout it. Sing it! Our God comes with justice, not judgment; with hope, not a heavy hand; with grace, not grudges. This is the good news for us.

P: We will not be scared to tell anyone, and everyone, of our God who overflows with mercy, who sets us free, who watches over us. Thanks be to God, we are forgiven! Amen.

***Gloria Patri Hymn #581**

***Share the Peace of Christ with One Another**

(Members and guests, please pass the attendance pad from left to right)

Proclaim God's Word

Prayer of Illumination

Responsive Reading

Proverbs 22:1-2, 8-9, 22-23

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Moment for Children

Adrienne Danielson

Anthem

Special offering for the Johanneck Quad Squad: Emma, Haven, Taylee & Harper

Hymn #20

"All Things Bright and Beautiful" (sing during offering)

Scripture Lesson

James 2:1-10, 14-17

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Sermon

***Hymn #762**

"When the Poor Ones"

***Affirmation of Faith:** The Apostle's Creed (page 35 in Hymnal)

Minute for Mission: Church Camp Attendee Report

Asher Caraway, Grace Caraway, Nadia Meyers, Charlie Milhausen, Lauren Miller & Claire Stephens

Announcements, Sharing of Joys and Concerns

The Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

Give Thanks To God

God's Tithes and Your Offering Received

Offertory

***Doxology** Hymn #606

***Offertory Prayer**

May our gifts not be the crumbs of our lives, but justice for those overlooked by the world; be healing for those broken by pain and grief; be grace for those who long to be listened to and welcomed. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

Go in God's Name

"Shine, Jesus, Shine"

***Hymn #192**

Holy Communion

***Benediction**

Choral Benediction/Postlude

(*) Asterisk signifies to please stand if you are able.

Ushers for September: Scott Goodyear, Mike Bentson, Aubree Milhausen, Robb & Robin Schneider, Kory Schneider, Dale Starr, Don Dagner, Lauren & Rachel Karnitz

Greeting You Today: Deacon of the Month: Joleen MacHolda, Winston & Rosie Venable, Denise Kaupang

September Communion Servers: Richard Aakre, Scott Goodyear, Don Dagner, Joleen MacHolda, Kathy Peterson, Robin Schneider, Shellie Mammen

October Communion Servers: Adrienne Danielson, Lynn Juell, Joyce Nolting, Rick Hauge, Shellie Mammen, Deb Hess, Laura Kohler

Our Televised Worship Services ~ Tune in to NU-Telecom - channel 3, and Media-com - channel 8, on Mondays at 10 am, and Wednesdays at 7 pm.

Ink Cartridges ~ A reminder that there is a green box in the Narthex for used ink cartridges. The box is taken care of by the A.C.E. program and all proceeds are used for their volunteer appreciation day.

Plastic Bags ~ We need clean plastic bags (Tersteegs/Wal-Mart) again for the backpack program. Please drop them off in the kitchen. Thank you!

Fall Festival ~ You are invited to St. Catherine's Catholic Church for their Annual Fall Festival **today** until 4pm. A beef dinner will be served and activities including games, outdoor fun, Bingo and a silent auction.

Men's Turkey Dinner ~ Please consider volunteering to join this planning team so that we can continue to have the Men's Turkey Dinner. If you are interested in helping, please contact Dave Danielson (507)616-6142 or Pastor Scott. Thank you so much.

First Presbyterian Church of Redwood Falls

Our Vision Statement of the First Presbyterian Church of Redwood Falls is: God's timeless love transforms each of us to joyously continue the ministry of Jesus Christ in our community and in our world.



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Ministers: The members of the congregation

Pastor: Rev. Scott Prouty



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Sign-Up ~ September brings many opportunities to SIGN-UP! :) Sunday morning breakfast, Wednesday night meals, Sunday morning Children's Sermon and Meals on Wheels are all your opportunities to help out! We are in charge of Meals on Wheels deliveries in October, please sign up where you can!

Youth Kick-Off ~ Youth Club will kick-off on **Wednesday, September 12**. We will meet at the lower shelter area in Ramsey Park from 5:15-7:15 pm. Parents, please drop off and pick up your children at the shelter.

Pray For The Following:

Pray for expecting parents of our Church Family: Donavan & Cassie Sharpe, Dan & Maria Alexander

Pray for the unchurched and lonely.

Pray for people living in our communities, the disenfranchised and people in other countries.

Pray for those who are having financial or marital difficulties.

Pray for those grieving the loss of a loved one.

Pray for those seeking employment.

Pray for our leaders at the city, county, state and national level and all military personnel.

Pray for those in need of food, medicine and shelter.

Pray for our church leaders and teachers.

Pray for our local, national, world political leaders.

Birthdays: 12th - Jeanette Kotval, Charles Milhausen, 14th - Don Quinn, 15th - Tegan Hicks

Anniversaries: 13th - Bob & Sonya Alexander

Members of our Church Family in Nursing Homes and Assisted Living Facilities:

Muriel Moon, Millie Bunting, Gordon Alexander, Jeanette Kotval, Janet Minkel

All Those Fighting Cancer: Tom Umscheid (Pam Prouty's cousin's husband),

Kathy Tiffany (Glen Tiffany's wife/Donna Potter's sister-in-law)

Pray for all those fighting other diseases: Shellie Mammen (lupus), Corrine Gertsema (multiple sclerosis)

If you know of something/someone to add to the Prayer List, please contact the church office.

Urban Plunge ~ Dear Congregation, An Urban Plunge Mission Trip to Omaha is scheduled for **November 9-11**. We are collecting supplies for hygiene kits and other gifts that we will bring to Nebraska to give to homeless people. We need bars of soap, travel size containers of shampoo and conditioners, razors, wash cloths, lotion, dental floss, tooth brushes, tooth paste, deodorant, combs, shaving cream, fingernail clippers, toenail clippers, and mouthwash. There will be a box in the narthex for these supplies. We need new winter socks, scarves, mittens, gloves, coats, blankets, boots, caps, and hats for men, women and children. If you have any used winter coats in excellent condition, working zipper, etc. that would be great, too. Clothing items can be dropped off in the Pastor's Office. Thank you for helping with this project. Jesus said, "Whenever you helped the least of my people you helped me." ~ Pastor Scott Prouty

Church Calendar

Sunday, September 9:	8:45 am:	Sunday School Kick-Off
	9:15 am:	Choir Practice
	10:15 am:	Worship with Holy Communion/Special Offering for Johannecks
Monday, September 10:	Noon:	Pastor - Rotary
	7:00 pm:	Session Meeting
Wednesday, September 12:	5:15 pm:	Youth Club/Youth Faith in Action Kick-Off (Ramsey Park)
	7:00 pm:	Pastor visits Tony & Molly Miller
	8:00 pm:	Pastor visits Nathan & Valerie Stephens
Thursday, September 13:	9:30 am:	Pastor visits Wayne & Rosemary Bennett
	11:00 am:	Pastor visits Wayne Mann
	Noon:	Pastor visits Merlin Goudy
	1:15 pm:	Pastor visits Gary & Jennifer Hindt
	4:00 pm:	Pastor visits Rob & Jeanne Palmer
	5:00 pm:	Deacon Meeting
Saturday, September 15:	All Day:	Presbytery Worship - Here
Sunday, September 16:	8:45 am:	Breakfast
	9:00 am:	Sunday School
	9:15 am:	Choir Practice
	10:15 am:	Worship with PDA Guest Speaker

"Since my money is God's money, every spending decision I make is a spiritual decision."-John Hagee