

October 14, 2018 ~ 10:15 am

Assemble in God's Name

Prelude/Choral Introit

Call to Worship

L: We look in the mirror and what do we see?

P: We see people who try to be faithful, even as questions and struggles challenge our faith.

L: We look in the mirror and how do we see?

P: We see with hearts which are open to God's love, with lives which seek to trust when all the evidence tells us not to be so foolish.

L: We look in the mirror and who do we see?

P: We see Jesus, the One who struggles with the questions we raise, who models faithfulness for all who would follow.

Prayer of Invocation

Gracious God: when we cannot see You, You look in compassion upon us; when we cannot speak a word, You hear the sighs of our hearts; when we are falling apart, You hold us together with Your grace.

Jesus, Healing Hand of God: You reach out to take away all which distracts us from discipleship; You challenge us to give away everything which keeps us from following You; You surround us with people, even strangers, who enfold us with Your love and hope.

Loving Spirit: when we are too weary to put one faltering foot in front of the other, You carry us in Your strength; as we seek to challenge the unfairness of our world, You stand beside us in Your justice; when we are afraid to come near, You bear our prayers to the seat of grace. Amen.

*Hymn #12

"Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"

***Call to Confession**

Let us willingly embrace that which we believe is true - we can come to the seat of grace, bringing our prayers of confession to the One who is filled to overflowing with mercy and hope. Join me as we pray together,

***Unison Prayer of Confession**

We stand before You, Saving God, stripped of our pretensions and pride, for nothing we do or say, or do not, can be hidden from You. You hear the angry words we preach to ourselves; You sift through the rubble of hurts we have caused; You see how we stumble, weighed down by all that 'stuff' which keeps us from following Jesus. We stand before You, Holy Grace. As You empty our hands of that wealth of unneeded things we cling so tightly to, fill them with Your grace and hope. As we let go of all which might hold us back, give us the trust to follow Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior, into that life with which he offers to each of us.

***Time for Silent Prayer of Confession**

***Assurance of Pardon**

L: Hear the good news! Because God loves us, we lack for nothing; because God forgives us, we have everything we need; because God surrounds us with sisters and brothers, we do not journey alone.

P: Committing everything to God, trusting in the One who redeems us, we decide to live as God's faithful and forgiven people. 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

Hebrews 4:12-16

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Moment for Children

Ann Tiffany

Hunger Fund Offering

Anthem

"Crown Him Lord of All"

Chancel Choir

Gospel Lesson

Mark 10:17-31

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Sermon

*Hymn #722

"Lord, Speak to Me That I May Speak"

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

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**

When we look in the mirror, may we see our sisters and brothers in need - the lonely, the hungry, the searching, the aching. And as we see them, we pray that these gifts we offer may be used to bring them food, hope, companionship, and healing. This we pray in the name of Jesus. Amen.

Go in God's Name

"Fairest Lord Jesus"

*Hymn #630

*Benediction

Choral Benediction/Postlude

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

Ushers for October: Rick Hauge, Nathan, Valerie & Andrew Stephens, Brian Klavetter, Shaun Bruns, Gerald Patten, Donavon Sharpe, Joleen MacHolda, Matthew Prouty

Greeting You Today: Deacon of the Month: Kathy Peterson, Fred & Jenny Bloedow, Chip & Sue Nearing

November Communion Servers: Rick Hauge, Adrienne Danielson, Shari fuhr, Scott Kohler, Sonya Alexander, Dan Tiffany, Jenny Bloedow

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.

Sign-Up ~ Can you help serve Sunday morning breakfast or Wednesday night meals? Please check the schedules in the Narthex and volunteer when you can!

A Note From the Custodian ~ Nathan will be out of town from October 16-22. Please do your part to keep the church tidy and clean. Thank you!

Baby Bottles ~ Please turn in your baby bottles for Choice's Pregnancy to the church office by **October 28!** Thank you!

Craft & Bake Sale ~ There will be a Craft and Bake Sale during the Turkey Dinner! If you would be willing to donate crafts, homemade items or baked goods please bring them to the **Community Center** by 2 pm, on November 7. Contact Laura (640-0209) if you have any questions. Proceeds will be used to send our kids to the Urban Plunge in Omaha. We hope to have additional funds to help send our teenagers to the Presbyterian Youth Triennium and our youth to the Presbyterian Clearwater Forest Church Camp.

Urban Plunge ~ An Urban Plunge Mission Trip to Omaha is scheduled for **November 9-11**. We are still in need of 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 for hygiene kits. There will be a box in the narthex for these supplies. We also still 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.

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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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Church Calendar

Sunday, October 14: 8:45 am: Breakfast/Sunday School
9:15 am: Choir Practice
10:15 am: Worship

Monday, October 15-Sunday, October 21: Pastor Scott is on Vacation

Tuesday, October 16: 4:30-6:00 pm: Ruby's Pantry

Wednesday, October 17: 9:00 am: Piecemakers
1:30 pm: Dorcas Circle-At the Church

Sunday, October 21: 9:15 am: Choir Practice
10:15 am: Worship
Following Worship: Packing Weekend Food Bags

Pray For The Following:

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

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: Today - Robb Schneider, 15th - Linda Dahmes, Claire Meyers, 17th - Drew Osborne, 19th - Dorie Oja, 20th - Joleen MacHolda, Samantha Osborne, Todd Peterson

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

Muriel Moon, Millie Bunting, Gordon Alexander, Jeanette Kotval, Janet Minkel, Bob & Bunny Nolting

All Those Fighting Cancer: Tom Umscheid (Pam Prouty's cousin's husband), Braxton Raymond,
Kathy Tiffany (Glen Tiffany's wife/Donna Potter's sister-in-law), Mark (Gerry & Deb Hess's son-in-law),
Sam Pederson (Jenny Bloedow's uncle)

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.