

**November 21, 2021**  
**Assemble in God's Name**

**Prelude:** Elaine Hagen

**Ringing of the Church Bell**

**Call to Worship** (Anabaptist)

L: Bless us, God, with Your love.

**C: Bless us with Your healing.**

**All: Bless us with Your peace.**

**Prayer of Invocation** (Presbyterian)

Sovereign God, ruler of all creation, You sent Jesus to testify to the truth: that You alone are the Lord of life. Help us to listen always to His voice so that we may proclaim His realm of justice, peace, and endless love; through Christ, who reigns forever.

**\*Hymn #619**                    **"Praise, My Soul, the God of Heaven"** (vs. 1-3)

**1** Praise, my soul, the God of heaven; glad of heart your carols raise; ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven, who, like me, should sing God's praise? Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise the Maker all your days!

**2** Praise God for the grace and favor shown our forbears in distress; God is still the same forever, slow to chide, and swift to bless. Alleluia! Alleluia! Sing our Maker's faithfulness!

**3** Like a loving parent caring, God knows well our feeble frame, gladly all our burdens bearing, still to countless years the same. Alleluia! Alleluia! All within me, praise God's name.

**\*Call of Confession** (1 John 1:9-10, used in Lutheran liturgy)

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

**\*Prayer of Confession** (Orthodox)

O Lord my God, I confess that I have sinned against You in thought, word and deed. I have also omitted to do what Your holy law requires of me. But now with repentance and contrition I turn again to Your love and mercy. I entreat You to forgive me all my transgressions and to cleanse me from all my sins. Lord, fill my heart with the light of Your truth. Strengthen my will by Your grace. Teach me both to desire and to do only what pleases You. Amen.

**\*Time for Silent Prayer of Confession**

**\*Assurance of Pardon** (Episcopalian)

Almighty God has mercy on us, forgives us all our sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthens us in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keeps us in eternal life. Amen.

**\*Response Hymn #581 "Gloria Patri"**

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen.*

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

**Proclaim God's Word**

**Anthem:** Chancel Choir

**Prayer of Illumination**

**1st Reading:** Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14

*Thrones were set up while I was watching, and the Eternal God[a] took his place. His clothing and his hair were white as snow. His throne was a blazing fire with fiery wheels, 10 and flames were dashing out from all around him. Countless thousands were standing there to serve him. The time of judgment began, and the books[b] were opened. 13 As I continued to watch the vision that night, I saw what looked like a son of man[a] coming with the clouds of heaven, and he was presented to the Eternal God.[b]14 He was crowned king and given power and glory, so that all people of every nation and race would serve him. He will rule forever, and his kingdom is eternal, never to be destroyed.*

**Responsive Reading: Psalm 93**

*Our Lord, you are King! Majesty and power are your royal robes. You put the world in place, and it will never be moved.*

*2 You have always ruled, and you are eternal.*

*3 The ocean is roaring, Lord! The sea is pounding hard.*

*4 Its mighty waves are majestic, but you are more majestic, and you rule over all.*

*5 Your decisions are firm, and your temple will always be beautiful and holy.*

**Gospel Lesson: Revelation 1:4b-8**

*From John to the seven churches in Asia.[a] I pray that you will be blessed with kindness and peace from God, who is and was and is coming. May you receive kindness and peace from the seven spirits before the throne of God. 5 May kindness and peace be yours from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness. Jesus was the first to conquer death, and he is the ruler of all earthly kings. Christ loves us, and by his blood he set us free from our sins. 6 He lets us rule as kings and serve God his Father as priests. To him be glory and power forever and ever! Amen. 7 Look! He is coming with the clouds. Everyone will see him, even the ones who stuck a sword through him. All people on earth will weep because of him. Yes, it will happen! Amen. 8 The Lord God says, "I am Alpha and Omega,[b] the one who is and was and is coming. I am God All-Powerful!"*

**Sermon:** Adrienne Danielson

**\*Hymn #268**

**"Crown Him with Many Crowns"**

*1 Crown him with many crowns, the Lamb upon his throne; hark, how the heavenly anthem drowns all music but its own! Awake, my soul, and sing of him who died for thee, and hail him as thy matchless King through all eternity.*

**2** Crown him the Lord of love; behold his hands and side, rich wounds, yet visible above, in beauty glorified: no angel in the sky can fully bear that sight, but downward bends his burning eye at mysteries so bright.

**3** Crown him the Lord of peace, whose power a scepter sways from pole to pole, that wars may cease, absorbed in prayer and praise. His reign shall know no end; and round his pierced feet fair flowers of paradise extend their fragrance ever sweet.

**4** Crown him the Lord of years, the potentate of time; creator of the rolling spheres, ineffably sublime. All hail, Redeemer, hail! For thou hast died for me; thy praise shall never, never fail throughout eternity.

**Affirmation of Faith:** The Apostles' Creed (Page 35 in Hymnal)

I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
Maker of heaven and earth,  
and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord;  
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, dead, and buried;  
he descended into hell;  
the third day he rose again from the dead;  
he ascended into heaven,  
and sitteth on the right hand  
of God the Father Almighty;  
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Ghost;  
the holy catholic church;  
the communion of saints;  
the forgiveness of sins;  
the resurrection of the body;  
and the life everlasting. Amen.

**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:** Elaine Hagen

**\*Doxology Hymn #606**

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

## 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.



**November 21, 2021**

Ministers: The members of the congregation

**Pastor: Rev. Scott Prouty**

**Guest Speaker: Adrienne Danielson**



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### \*Offertory Prayer (Catholic)

Heavenly Father, thank You for all the good things You continue to provide for us. Don't let us take Your gifts for granted or abuse them. Instead, help us always to rely on You in faith. Use us and what You have given us for Your good purposes. Amen.

### \*Hymn #363 "Rejoice, the Lord is King!"

**1** Rejoice, the Lord is King! Your Lord and King adore! Rejoice, give thanks, and sing, and triumph evermore. Lift up your heart; lift up your voice! Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

**2** Our Savior, Jesus, reigns, the God of truth and love; when he had purged our stains, he took his seat above. Lift up your heart; lift up your voice! Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

**3** His kingdom cannot fail; he rules o'er earth and heaven; the keys of death and hell are to our Jesus given. Lift up your heart; lift up your voice! Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

**4** Rejoice in glorious hope! For Christ, the Judge, shall come and gather all the saints to their eternal home. Lift up your heart; lift up your voice! Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

### \*Benediction

\*Postlude: Elaine Hagen

\*Please stand in body or spirit.

### Year of Equality

Did you know? November is Native American Heritage Month. Check out the "Our Home: Native Minnesota" exhibit at the Minnesota History Center. Visit Jeffers Petroglyphs, Pipestone National Monument, Traverse des Sioux, Lower Sioux Agency, or the Mille Lacs Indian Museum and Trading Post.

### Equality Library

"An intelligent heart acquires knowledge, and the ear of the wise seeks knowledge." Proverbs 18:15

It can be hard to understand the complexities of racism in 21st century America, and even harder to know what to do about it. Thankfully, God has provided us with many guides for the journey! Please check out a book from the "Equality Library" and read up. The books are located in the narthex, at the top of the stairs.

-The Matthew 25 Committee

**Mittens & More Trees** ~ We are collecting items for Share the Spirit with our Mittens & More Trees in the Narthex. Please donate new items including; toys, arts/crafts supplies, games, puzzles, quilts, blankets, hats, mittens, gloves and scarves. The trees will be up until December 5! Thank you!

**Holiday Gifts** ~ Looking for a cozy holiday gift?! Something to warm the heart and toes of a loved one?! The Piecemakers have a gift just for you... Stop in the Youth Chapel **today or next Sunday**, and choose from a large selection of quilts! **There will be a half-off table of quilts available for donation to Share the Spirit.**

**November Ushers:** Head Usher Fred Bloedow, Jenny Bloedow, Shaun & Becky Bruns, Kevin Zaske, Shannon Sweetman, Nicole VanderLinden, Dave Gertsema

**December Communion Servers:** Ruling Elder Scott Kohler, Fred & Jenny Bloedow, Nathan Stephens, Karen Speros, Leon King, Kathy Peterson

**December Ushers:** Head Usher Dan Fuhr, Ella & Max Fuhr, Randy & Lynn Juell, Brent Prouty, Aaron Rohlik, Paige Paplow, Keegan, Shellie & Kyron Mammen, Pete Fuhr

**Deacon of the Month:** Kathy Peterson, **Today's Greeters:** Bob Kaupang, Greg Dording

### Looking at the Week Ahead:

**Monday, November 8-21: Pastor Scott will be on vacation. Rev. Anna Williamson will cover in case of any pastoral emergencies. Cell Phone Number: 320-305-3046**

**Sunday, November 21: 9:00 am:** Sunday School

9:15 am: Choir Practice

10:15 am: Worship - Guest Speaker

Following Worship: the Stephens Family Packing Weekend Food Bags

**Monday, November 22:** 6:00 pm: Stewardship Committee Meeting

7:00 pm: Session Meeting

**Tuesday, November 23:** 9:30 am: Pastor Scott visits Rosemary Bennett

11:00 am: Pastor Scott visits Janean McKay

2:00 pm: Pastor Scott visits Sally Dording

3:00 pm: Pastor Scott visits Lois Davis

4:00 pm: Pastor Scott visits Scott & Laura Kohler

**Thursday, November 25 & Friday, November 26:** Church Offices Closed - Happy Thanksgiving.

**Sunday, November 28: First Sunday of Advent**

9:15 am: Choir Practice

10:15 am: Worship

Our Sunday morning service is on our local channels...

Nuvera (Channel 3), Media-Com (Channel 8): Mondays at 10 am, Wednesdays at 7 pm!

**Imagination Library** ~ Are you an "Imagination Angel"?! It only takes \$30 to bless a child for one year with the gift of reading. You can mail donations to First Presbyterian Church, PO Box 444, RWF, MN or give online at <https://donate.imaginationlibrary.com/> (make sure to designate Redwood Area to receive your donation).

**Checks should be written to: First Presbyterian Church with "Imagination Library" in the memo line. Thank you!**

**Pray for The Following:**

**Pray for Members of our Church Family that are hospitalized:** Bob Nolting;

Bob is hospitalized in the St. Cloud hospital following a stroke. Please keep Bob in your thoughts and prayers.

**Pray for Members of our Church that have lost a loved one:** Rev. Pamela Prouty's godson, Ryan, died of Covid 19, at the age of 30. He lived in St. Paul.

**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 - Jon Alexander, Henry Juell, 23rd - Colin Fuhr, Kyle Hicks, Michelle Croatt, 25th - Joseph Bruns, 26th - Kristi Zimmerman, 27th - Brian Kohler

**Anniversaries:** 26th - Andy & Cassy Juell, 27th - Ryan & Brianna Rohlik

**Members of our Church Family in Nursing Homes, Assisted Living or Other Facilities:**

Millie Bunting, Jeanette Kotval, Bob & Bunny Nolting, Ardis Alexander,

Dorothy Symes, Lucille Byram, Joyce McKay, Janean McKay

**All Those Fighting Cancer:** Julie Fiala's sister, Jill Nelson

**Pray for all those fighting other diseases:** Shellie Mammen (lupus),

Corrine Gertsema (multiple sclerosis), Tripp Meyers (epilepsy)

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