

Assemble in God's Name

Ringing of the Church Bell

Prelude

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Welcome

Read Vision Statement

God's timeless love transforms each of us to joyously continue the ministry of Jesus Christ in our community and in our world.

Call to Worship

L: The foolish say, 'there is no God.'

P: We come, trusting in Jesus, the face, the voice, the presence of the God who loves us.

L: The scoffers of our age ask, 'why do you seek after God?'

P: We come, in this time, because God's grace has spilled over in our lives.

L: The hopeless around us think, 'no one cares about me.'

P: We come, in this time, to this place, because Jesus has found us and brought us home.

All: So, let us worship God together, today, and always.

Prayer of Invocation

Almighty God, You call Your church to witness that in Christ we are reconciled to You. Help us to proclaim the good news of Your love, that all who hear it may turn to You; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

***Hymn #12** *"Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"*

*Call to Confession

The proof of God's amazing love is this: while we were sinners Christ died for us. Because we have faith in Him, we dare to approach God with confidence; let us confess our sin together.

***Prayer of Confession** (From Psalm 51)

Have mercy on me, God, according to our faithful love! Wipe away my wrongdoings according to Your great compassion! Wash me completely clean of my guilt; purify me from my sin! Because I know my wrongdoings, my sin is always right in front of me. I've sinned against You, God – You alone. I've committed evil in Your sight. Purify me with hyssop and I will be clean; wash me and I will be whiter than snow. Let me hear joy and celebration again. Hide Your face from my sins. Create a clean heart in me, O God; put a new faithful spirit deep inside me!"

*Time for Silent Prayers of Confession

***Assurance of Pardon** (Psalm 103:17)

The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting. I declare to you, in the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God. Amen.

*Response Hymn #582 *"Glory to God"*

1 *Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me, and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me, and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.*

2 *World without end, without end. Amen. World without end, without end. Amen. Without end, without end. Amen. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.*

*Share the Peace of Christ with One Another

Proclaim God's Word

Prayer of Illumination

Responsive Reading: 1 Timothy 1:12-17

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Hymn #73

"A Woman and a Coin"

Gospel Lesson: Luke 15:1-10

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Sermon

***Hymn #649**

"Amazing Grace"

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

Announcements, Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

Give Thanks to God

God's Tithes and Your Offering Received

Offertory

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*Responsive Hymn #647 *"Give Thanks"*

1 *Give thanks with a grateful heart; give thanks to the Holy One; give thanks because we're given Jesus Christ, the Son.*

2 *And now let the weak say, "We are strong"; let the poor say, "We are rich because of what the Lord has done for us!" Give thanks. Give thanks.*

*Offertory Prayer

When we could not find our way, You came searching for us. So may our gifts be used to bring hope to those cast aside by the world, peace to those whose lives are troubled, and grace to all who are alone. This we pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

***Hymn #526**

"Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ"

Holy Communion

*Benediction

*Postlude

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*Please stand in body or spirit.

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

Bible Study ~ We have two weekly Bible Studies on Wednesdays. At 7 am we read and study the Old Testament (Deuteronomy) and at 2 pm, the New Testament (Matthew). All are welcome!

Choir Practice ~ Choir practice has officially started! We are always welcoming new members! Please feel to join us on Sunday mornings at 9:15 am, in the choir room.

Youth Activities ~ Kids 3 years old through 4th grade and their families are invited to the **Sunday School Kickoff** on **Sunday, September 18**, from 9-10 am. Families are invited to join for a light breakfast, a fun project and to learn information about this year’s upcoming events!

Kids in K-4th grade are invited to the **Youth Club Kickoff** on **Wednesday, September 28**, from 3:45-5:45 pm. A meal will be served at 5:45 pm, everyone is welcome! Parents are asked to attend the beginning of Youth Club to go over more information about the year’s coming events!

Kids in 5th-12th grade and their families are invited to the **Youth Faith in Action Kickoff** on **Wednesday, September 28**, from 5:45-7 pm, with a meal being served at 5:45 pm. Parents are invited to join their child for the meal, fellowship and to discuss this year’s events including the Urban Plunge Mission Trip.

Volunteers Needed ~ Christian Education will be serving meals on Wednesday nights at 5:45 pm. We need volunteers for these meals. If you are interested in signing up to make a meal or two ;) please contact Pastor Scott.

Meals on Wheels ~ The Deacons are in charge of Meals on Wheels delivery in October. Please sign up on the sheet in the Narthex if you can help.

September Ushers: Head Usher Scott Goodyear, Mike, Connie & Max Bentson, Rachel Karnitz, Robb & Robin Schneider, Kory Schneider, Dale Starr, Don Dagner, Gene & Fae Becklund

September Communion Servers: Ruling Elder Molly Miller, Scott Goodyear, Don Dagner, Dave Danielson, Drew Osborne, Katherine Brozek, Nick Brozek

Deacon of the Month: Katherine Brozek

Today’s Greeters: Dave & Penny Fuhr, Gary & Jenifer Hindt

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September 11, 2022

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Looking at the Week Ahead

Sunday, September 11: 9:15 am: Choir Practice
10:15 am: Worship with Holy Communion
Following Worship: Packing Weekend Food Bags

Monday, September 12: Noon: Pastor Scott has Rotary Meeting
7:00 pm: Session Meeting

Tuesday, September 13: 2:00 pm: Pastor Scott visits Jeanette Kotval

Wednesday, September 14: 7-8:00 am: Old Testament Bible Study
2-3:00 pm: New Testament Bible Study
7:00 pm: Nominating Committee Meeting

Thursday, September 15: 9:30 am: Pastor Scott visits Rosemary Bennett
11:00 am: Pastor Scott visits Laura Kohler
2:00 pm: Pastor Scott visits Sally Dording
3:00 pm: Pastor Scott visits Richard & Diane Aakre
4:00 pm: Pastor Scott visits John & Sue Tiffany

Sunday, September 18: 9:00 am: Sunday School Kickoff
9:15 am: Choir Practice
10:15 am: Worship

September 19-24: Pastor Scott will be out of the office attending a Pastor's Retreat at Clearwater Forest Camp.

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

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

Pray for The Following

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, Charlie Milhausen, 14th - Don Quinn, 15th - Tegan Hicks,
16th: Candy Zaske, Hunter Rebstock, Ethan Dalbec, 17th - Pete Fuhr

Anniversaries: 13th - Bob & Sonya Alexander

Members of our Church Family in Hospice Care: Dorothy Symes, Jeanette Kotval

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

Millie Bunting, Bob & Bunny Nolting, Lucille Byram, Janean McKay

All Those Fighting Cancer: Sharon, King, Ralph Revier, Julie Fiala's sister; Jill Nelson

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