

Assemble in God's Name

Prelude: Elaine Hagen

Ringing of the Church Bell

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.

Memorial Day Prayer

Gracious God, on this Memorial Day weekend, we pray for those who courageously laid down their lives for the cause of freedom. May the examples of their sacrifice inspire in us the selfless love of Your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

Hymn #8 *"Eternal Father, Strong to Save"*

Paul Hagen on Trumpet

Call to Worship (Based on Acts 2:1-4)

L: All together in one place;

P: they heard the rush of a violent wind;

L: it filled the entire house.

P: Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared and rested on each of them;

All: They were filled with the Holy Spirit.

Prayer of Invocation

Dear Jesus, thank You for leaving the Holy Spirit here with us as our protection and provision. Thank You that we can have that power at work in our lives if we are only mindful of it and remember to draw from it. Please help me to be obviously different to everyone I encounter and to reflect You in my life so that people will know, "The Lord is with me." In Jesus' Name, Amen.

***Hymn #66** *"Every Time I Feel the Spirit"*

***Call to Confession**

God's Spirit has gathered us for worship. Let us confess our sins and return to God.

***Prayer of Confession**

Spirit of God, we hesitate and doubt. You call us to act boldly but our fear keeps us from following Your call. Forgive our lack of courage. Embolden us to dream big and trust the Spirit to fill us and use us. Help us be Christ's church without hesitation. Guided by Your Holy Spirit, help us usher in Your kingdom to come. Amen.

***Time for Silent Prayers of Confession**

***Assurance of Pardon**

"Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved." (Acts 2:21) In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven and freed. Amen.

***Response Hymn #582 "Glory to God Whose Goodness Shines on Me"**

1 *Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me, and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me, and to the Spirit, whose life 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. World 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

Moment for Children: Pastor Scott

Prayer of Illumination

Open our hearts and minds by the power of Your Spirit, Holy God, that we might hear and receive the message You intend for us today. Amen.

Responsive Reading: Psalm 104:24-34, 35b

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Gospel Lesson: Acts 2:1-21

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Sermon

***Hymn #288** *"Spirit of the Living God"* (sing twice)

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

Announcements, Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

Give Thanks to God

Call for the Offering

God's Spirit is among us making all things new. Let us participate in this new creation by offering our gifts to God.

God's Tithes and Your Offering Received

Offertory: Elaine Hagen

***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**

You have blessed each of us with gifts to serve and share, Most Generous God. May the offerings we present today be used to further Your Kingdom and build Your beloved community. Amen.

***Hymn #291** *"Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness"*

***Benediction**

***Postlude:** Elaine Hagen
***Please stand in body or spirit.**

Announcement: After worship, join us in the church dining hall for Pentecost cupcakes as we celebrate the birthday of the church and the coming of the Holy Spirit.

Bible Study ~ We have two weekly Bible studies on Wednesdays. At 7 am we read and study the Old Testament (2 Kings) and at 2 pm, the New Testament (Acts).

Prayer Chain ~ Do you want to be a part of the church Prayer Chain and the power of prayer? Here is how it works... When a prayer request arises, the Prayer Chain is activated. You will be notified and asked to offer prayers and contact the next person on the chain. If you are interested in being put on the Prayer Chain, please contact Char Gilland (640-0210) or Julie Fiala (430-3849) to join.

Position Opening ~ It is with deep regret that we have accepted the resignation of our custodian, Markeela Toreen whose last day with us is 5.31.23. Session has authorized filling the position. If you love to clean and keep things in working order and want to share that passion with our congregation please stop in for an application, Monday-Friday, between 9 am-1 pm, at: First Presbyterian Church, 235 E 4th St., RWF, or by email: churchofc@hotmail.com. The work averages 5-8 hours every two weeks. Cleaning times vary depending on activities in the building. Attached is the job description. If you have questions call Molly Miller at 712-579-0603.

VBS ~ Kids ages 4- completed 4th grade are invited to full day of fun at Vacation Bible School on Thursday, June 8, from 9-3 pm. Kids are to be dropped off at Gloria Dei church and picked up at the lower shelter area in Ramsey Park. **Registration forms are available from the church office and need to be returned by June 1.** Also, mark your calendar for a church pool party on Saturday, June 10! You don't need to attend VBS to play in the water!

Park Jamboree ~ The Friends of the Park invite you to the Ramsey Park Jamboree Drive-Thru Dinner on **Wednesday, June 7**, from 4:30-6:30 at the park campground area. Take your meal to-go or find a spot in the park to relax and enjoy it! Proceeds help maintain and improve Ramsey Park. Watch the Friends of the Park Facebook page for fun activities leading up to the event, including a photo contest, medallion hunt and trivia questions!

Help Needed ~ We are looking for more individuals to learn how to use the church camera. If you are interested, please let Pastor Scott or Lee Davis know. Thanks! Pastor Scott

May Ushers: Head Usher: Gary Hindt, Greg Dording, Stephen Dording, Kim McKay, Tom & Barb Stough, Julie Rienstra, Shawn Corder, Leanne Heimer, Paul Hagen, Nick Brozek

June Communion Servers: Ruling Elder Michael Joldersma, Rhonda Joldersma, Richard Aakre, Leon King, Adrienne Danielson, Dorie Oja, Julie Fiala

Deacon of the Month: Dan Tiffany

Today's Greeter: Dale & Sandy Starr

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Graduation ~ Everyone is invited to help Shelby & Matt Enright celebrate Cam Enright on his graduation on Sunday, June 4, from 5-8 pm, at the Tables in downtown Redwood Falls.

Pray for The Following

Pray for Our Church Members that will be having surgery. Bruce Tiffany will be having surgery this coming week. Please keep Bruce in your thoughts and prayers.

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 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: 30th - Lucas Fuhr, 31st - Ralph Revier, Curt Meyers,

June 2nd: Nadia Meyers, LaVonne Sinclair

Anniversaries: Today - Brandy & Jeff Toomer

Members of our Church Family in Hospice Care: Dorothy Symes

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

Millie Bunting, Bob & Bunny Nolting, Lucille Byram

All Those Fighting Cancer: Ralph Revier, Gary Hindt,

Julie Fiala's sister; Jill Nelson, Mark Pankonin (Shari Fuhr's brother)

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

Looking at the Weeks Ahead

Sunday, May 28: 10:15 am: Worship - Pentecost - Cake Following Worship
Following Worship: Packing Weekend Food Bags - Meyers

Monday, May 29: **Church Offices Closed - Memorial Day**

Wednesday, May 31: 7:00 am: Old Testament Bible Study
2:00 pm: New Testament Bible Study

Thursday, June 1: 10-3:00 pm: Pastor Scott has Commission on Leadership Meeting

Sunday, June 4: 10:15 am: Worship - Holy Communion

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

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