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.

Call to Worship

L: Celebrate God's love, which has been poured into your life!

P: Forgiveness, encouragement, support, and healing are gifts of God to us.

L: Reach out and care for those around you.

P: We will be people of peace and justice. Shout for joy!

All: Sing God's praises always! Amen.

Prayer of Invocation

God, You are our refuge. When the world gets to be too much with us, we turn to You for consolation and healing. Help us today to hear Your words of compassion. Enable us to be those who would willingly serve all people in need. For we ask these things in the name of Jesus our Lord. Amen.

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

*Call to Confession

Our hearts long for God, and we know we fall short of God's glory, so let us now confess to God the ways we have individually and collectively fallen short of God's Grace. Please pray with me.

*Prayer of Confession

God of grace and truth, in Jesus Christ You came among us as light shining in the darkness. We have not welcomed the light or trusted Your good news to be good. We have often closed our eyes because Your light is too brilliant for us, and then see little hope and expect less. Forgive us our doubt and our wandering, renew our hope that we might find the fullness of the grace You offer each moment. In the life and grace of Jesus Christ we pray.

*Time for Silent Prayers of Confession

*Assurance of Pardon

The love of God is indeed from everlasting to everlasting. And because of this I can with full confidence say to you that we are all forgiven. Thanks be to God.

*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

Prayer of Illumination

Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of Your Holy Spirit, that as the Scriptures are read and Your Word is proclaimed, we may hear with joy what You say to us today. Amen.

Responsive Reading: Psalm 96:1-9

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Scripture Lesson: Matthew 22:15-22

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Sermon

*Hymn #307 "God of Grace and God of Glory"

*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

In Christ, God has showered us with grace upon grace. In gratitude, we now give back to God through our tithes and offerings.

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 are the source of every good and perfect gift, O God. Use these tithes and offerings for your glory. Amen.

*Hymn #542 "God Be With You Til We Meet Again"

*Benediction

*Postlude: Elaine Hagen

*Please stand in body or spirit.

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October Ushers: Head Usher: Nathan Stephens, Val, Blake & Claire Stephens, Rick Hauge, Brian & Stephanie Klavetter

November Communion Servers: Ruling Elder Tony Miller, Nathan Stephens, Laura Kohler, Scott Kohler, Dave Danielson, Shari Fuhr, Nancy Miller

Deacons of the Month: Julie Fiala

Today's Greeter: Judy Cutis

October Money Counter: Nathan Stephens

Turkey Dinner ~ Mark your calendars... The Presbyterian Turkey Dinner is right around the corner on **Wednesday, November 8**, from 5-7 pm, at the Redwood Area Community Center. Tickets have been mailed out to the Presbyterian men or are available (\$15 Adults, \$10 Children ages 4-12) at the church office.

Bake Sale ~ Youth Faith in Action will be having a bake sale to raise money for future projects, during the Presbyterian Turkey Dinner on **Wednesday, November 8**, from 5-7 pm.

Bible Study \sim We have two weekly Bible studies on Wednesdays. At 7 am, we read and study the Old Testament (Job) and at 2 pm, the New Testament (2nd Thessalonians).

First Presbyterian Church of Redwood Falls

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October 22, 2023

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Looking at the Week Ahead

Sunday, October 22: 10:15 am: Worship

Following Worship: Packing Weekend Food Bags-Klavetter

Monday, October 23: Church Office Closed

11:00 am: Pastor Scott Rotary Board Meeting

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1:30-4:30 pm: Pastor Scott Boundary Training

Tuesday, October 24: All Day: Presbytery Committee Meeting - Here

1:30-4:30 pm: Pastor Scott Boundary Training

Wednesday, October 25: 7:00 am: Old Testament Bible Study

2:00 pm: New Testament Bible Study

4:00 pm: Youth Club

6:00 pm: Confirmation - Meal: Danielson Family

Thursday, October 26: 11:00 am: Pastor Scott has SEI Board Meeting

4:00 pm: Pastor Scott takes communion to Rosemary Bennett

Sunday, October 29: 9:00 am: Sunday School

9:15 am: Choir Practice

10:15 am: Worship

2:30 pm: Graveside Service for Jeanette Kotval

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

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

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

Kids' Fest ~ A free community event on **Monday**, **October 31**, from 6-8 pm. Come for a wonderful, safe and fun filled time with friends and family at the Northwood Church in Redwood Falls. Sloppy Joes and apple cider will be served with a photo booth, face painting, games, candy, prizes and more!

Position Opening ~ We are still looking for a church custodian!!! Please stop into/or call the church office for more information!!!

Soup N' Sandwich ~ The Methodist Church invites you to their annual Soup N' Sandwich Luncheon on **Tuesday, November 14**, from 11am-1pm. Cost is \$10. Tickets sold at the door. Come and enjoy food, fellowship, and a craft/bake sale.

Pray for The Following

Pray for Members of Our Church Family that have recently had surgery: Drew Osborne had a knee replaced this past Thursday: Please pray for a quick recovery for Drew.

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: Today: Harper Rohlik, 26th: Rhonda Joldersma, Kevin Zaske, 27th: Alexis Martin, Tripp Meyers, Charlie Meyers, 28th: David Danielson

Anniversaries: Judy & Jim Curtis: 22nd, Lee & Diane Davis: 28th

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, Sue Tiffany

All Those Fighting Cancer: Ralph Revier, Gary Hindt, Mark Pankonin (Shari Fuhr's brother)
If you know of something/someone to add to the Prayer List, please contact the church office.