

Assemble in God’s Name

Prelude
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: August Danielson
L: Silence your scattered thoughts and lay down your distractions. God calls us here to worship.
P: We are here to worship.
L: Drop your nets and leave your boats. God is with us. Jesus calls us.
P: We are here to worship.
All: Let us worship God together.

Prayer of Invocation: August Danielson
Dear God, thank You for Your amazing power and work in our lives. Thank You for Your goodness and for Your blessings over us. Thank You that You are able to bring hope through even the toughest of times, strengthening us for Your purposes. Thank You for Your great love and care. Thank You for Your mercy and grace. Amen.

*Hymn #721 “Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore”

*Call to Confession: August Danielson
Jesus calls to us: change your hearts and change your lives! Repent, and believe the good news. The mercy and forgiveness we have already received enables us to be honest about the places in our lives in need of transformation. Let us confess our sins together.
*Unison Prayer of Confession: August Danielson
God of Mercy, we confess we have gotten comfortable in our categories: haves and have-nots, makers and takers, bigots and bystanders, self-starters and subordinates, law-abiders and illegals, the perpetrators and the innocent. We confess that we are comfortable living under systems of injustice and exploitation. We confess our discomfort in speaking truths that unmask idolatries. Make us ready to follow Jesus, ready to repent, and eager to change our hearts and lives. Call to us again, and show us Your mercy. Let us hear Your good news again.

*Time for Silent Prayers of Confession
*Assurance of Pardon: August Danielson
God desires relationships with us, and reconciliation for all of creation. Jesus comes bearing the good news of forgiveness and transformation. Receive the good news of God’s grace: We are forgiven! 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

Anthem: Chancel Choir
'Sing the World God Imagines' was written by Carol Meier, who is a church musician in the Willmar area. It was the winner of The Hymn Society's 2022 Song Search for their 100th Anniversary International Conference.
Can you imagine a world filled with peace, where broken are mended and captives released, where justice replaces oppression and greed and all have what they need?
Can we envision a planet that thrives, where all of creation is fully alive, where creature and climate are tended with care, and action grows from prayer?
Can we embody God's love on this earth, by serving our neighbor, upholding their worth, by finding God's image in each one revealed? With love, this world is healed.
Refrain: *Let us sing the world God Images, lift this dream as beacon and call. May we, by Love impassioned, fashion this world for all--a world of love for all.*

Moment for Children: Adrienne Danielson
Prayer of Illumination
God who creates us and calls to us, by the power of Your Holy Spirit, enable us to hear Your Word, and embolden us to respond faithfully as we seek to follow Jesus Christ. Amen.

Responsive Reading: Psalm 62:5-12 Page 688
Gospel Lessons: Mark 1:14-20 Page 1191

Sermon
*Hymn #697 “Take My Life” (vs. 1-3)

Ordination/Installation: Service of Ordination and Installation of Mike Bentson and Becky Stephens as Deacons, the Installation of Julie Fiala, Leon King, Daniel Tiffany as Deacons, the Installation of Robert Alexander, Bruce Tiffany, Stephanie Klavetter as Ruling Elders

Announcements, Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord’s Prayer

Give Thanks to God

Call for the Offering

With open hearts and open hands, we let go of the things that possess us, we offer our gifts to God, and we dedicate our lives in service to Jesus Christ. Freely we have received, now freely let us give.

God’s Tithes and Your Offering Received

Offertory

***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**

Holy God, change our hearts and our lives. Renew us by Your good news. Use the gifts we bring for Your holy work of transformation, as we seek to go where Jesus leads us. Amen.

***Hymn #697 “Take My Life” (vs. 4-6)**

***Benediction**

***Postlude**

**Please stand in body or spirit.*

Music Used by Permission. CCLI License #3371223, OneLicense#742024-A

January Ushers: **Head Usher:** Matthew Tiffany, Kimary Tiffany, Barb Nelson,
David Danielson, Leon King, Donavan Sharpe

February Communion Servers: **Ruling Elder Robert Alexander,** Sonya Alexander, Dan Alexander, Bruce Tiffany, Kathy Peterson, Leon King, Dan Tiffany

Deacons of the Month: Daniel Alexander

Today’s Greeters: Nate & Val Stephens

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.



January 21, 2024

Ministers: The members of the congregation

Pastor: Rev. Scott Prouty

First Presbyterian Church

235 East 4th Street, PO Box 444

Office Phone: 507-627-8751

Dining Room Phone: 507-627-2430

Manse Phone: 507-627-5486

Office Email: churchofc@hotmail.com

Pastor Email: scott_prouty@hotmail.com

Church Website: fpcrwf.org

2024 Per-Capita: \$45.00/\$9.80: General Assembly, \$5.50: Synod, \$29.70: Presbytery
Annual Meeting: January 28, 2024

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

	<u>Looking at the Week Ahead</u>
Sunday, January 21:	9:00 am: Sunday School 9:15 am: Choir Practice 10:15 am: Worship - Installation/Ordination of Officers Following Worship: Packing Weekend Food Bags/ <i>Pastor Scott & Volunteers</i>
Monday, January 22:	11:00 am: Pastor Scott Rotary Board Meeting Noon: Pastor Scott Rotary 6:00 pm: Worship Committee Meeting 7:00 pm: Session Meeting
Tuesday, January 23:	2:00 pm: Pastor Scott visits Leon King
Wednesday, January 24:	7:00 am: Old Testament Bible Study 2:00 pm: New Testament Bible Study 4:30 pm: Christian Education Committee Meeting 6:00 pm: Confirmation/ <i>Meal: Hicks</i>
Thursday, January 25:	9:30 am: Pastor Scott visits Rosemary Bennett 11:00 am: Pastor Scott visits Jenifer Hindt 2:00 pm: Pastor Scott visits Sue Tiffany 3:00 pm: Pastor Scott visits Ralph Revier 4:00 pm: Pastor Scott visits Doreen Steenblock
Saturday, January 27:	All Day: Pastor Scott Presbytery Training
Sunday, January 28:	9:00 am: Sunday School 9:15 am: Choir Practice 10:15 am: Worship Following Worship: Annual Meeting

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

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

Help Wanted ~ Do you like to drive? United Community Action Partnership has a volunteer driver program in your community. Volunteer drivers help get people to appointments and social outings so they can continue to live independently and actively within the community. If you might be interested, give Amanda a call at 507-847-2632 ext. 1119 or email communityconnection@unitedcapmn.org.

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 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: *21st: Jon Oja, Beverly Alexander, 23rd: Butch Amberg, Lindsey Kramer, Jackie Morris, 24th: Lynn Juell, Winston Venable, 26th: Tyler Siegfried, 27th: Bob Alexander*
Anniversaries: *25th: Scott & Laura Kohler, 27th: Gene & Fae Becklund*

Members of our Church Family in Nursing Homes, Assisted Living or Other Facilities:
Bob & Bunny Nolting

All Those Fighting Cancer: *Ralph Revier, Mark Pankonin (Shari Fuhr’s brother), Sally Sisk (Julie Fiala’s sister)*

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