### Assemble in God's Name

Prelude

Ringing of the Church Bell

Welcome: AJ Miller

Read Vision Statement: AJ Miller

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: AJ Miller

One: Hungering and thirsting, we come to the Lord.

All: Jesus is the living bread!

One: Feed us with Your love and healing power, O Lord.

All: Give us the bread of hope.

One: and compassion that we may also feed others.

All: Praise be to You, O Lord, for Your steadfast love.

**Prayer of Invocation:** AJ Miller

Feed us now, Jesus Christ, as you fed Your first disciples. Feed us with that soul-food which nurtures enough love within us to outstrip our fears. Feed us with that spiritual bread which strengthens our hands for serving broken and lost people. Feed us, so that we may be fulfilled with Your joy. For Your love's sake. Amen.

### \*Hymn #65 "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"

\*Call to Confession: AJ Miller

We cannot come before God unless we are first honest with ourselves about who we are, about the mistakes we make, and about how well or poorly we care for others. In this spirit, let us join in the Prayer of Confession.

### \*Unison Prayer of Confession: AJ Miller

Holy and Merciful God, in Your presence we confess our sinfulness and our offenses against You. You alone know how often we have sinned in wandering from Your ways, in wasting Your gifts, in forgetting Your love. Have mercy on us, O Lord, for we are ashamed and sorry for all we have done to displease You. Forgive our sins and help us to live in Your light and walk in Your ways, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

### \*Time for Silent Prayers of Confession

\*Assurance of Pardon:AJ Miller

The God who challenges us is also the God who encourages us. The God who confronts us is also the God who accepts us. Be assured that God is with us even now, accepting, guiding, and forgiving. Know that you are forgiven and be at peace. Amen.

\*Response Hymn #582 "Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me": AJ Miller

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: AJ Miller

### **Proclaim God's Word**

Moment for Children: Dorie Oja

**Prayer of Illumination** 

God, source of all light, by Your Word You give light to the soul. Pour out on us the spirit of wisdom and understanding that our hearts and minds may be opened. Amen.

Responsive Reading: Exodus 16:2-4, 9-15

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Hymn #722

"Lord, Speak to Me That I May Speak"

Gospel Lessons: John 6: 22-35

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Sermon

"I Am the Bread of Life"

\*Hymn #442 "Just As I Am"

\*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

The Christian life is marked by the offering of one's self to God. In worship, God presents us with the costly self-offering of Jesus Christ, who has claimed us and set us free. In response to God's love in Christ, we offer our lives, our gifts, our abilities, and our material goods for God's service.

## 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

Gracious God, everything we have comes from You. You fill us with good things. Our hearts and lives overflow with your abundance. With thanksgiving, we bring to You our time, talents, and tithes. Use these gifts that You have given us to feed others as we have been fed, to serve others as we have been served, and to bless others as we have been blessed, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

**Anthem:** Chancel Choir

**Holy Communion** 

\*Benediction

\*Postlude

\*Please stand in body or spirit.

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March Ushers: Head Usher: Leon King, Butch & Faythe Amber, Troy Amberg, Mark Oja, David Danielson, Rick Kramer, Jerilyn Kodet, Ryan, Lindsey & Knox Kramer

<u>March Communion Servers:</u> Head Server: Dave Danielson, Leon King, Adrienne Danielson, Tony Miller, Bob Alexander, Dan Alexander, Sonya Alexander

<u>April Communion Servers:</u> Head Server: Stephanie Klavetter, Scott & Laura Kohler, Bob Alexander, Mike Bentson, Nancy Miller, Dave Danielson

**<u>Deacon of the Month:</u>** Adrienne Danielson

**Today's Greeter:** Rick Hauge

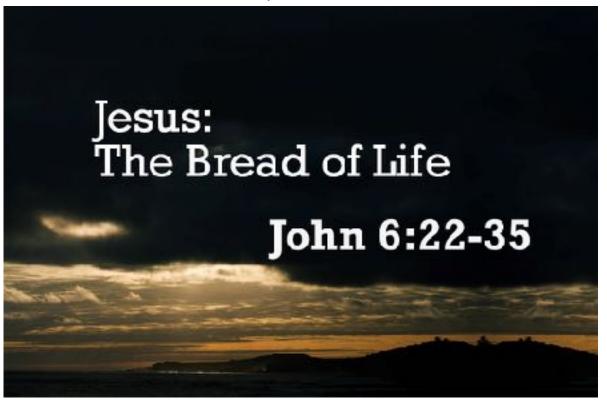
**March Money Counter:** Dan Alexander

**April Money Counter:** Julie Fiala

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

### 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.



March 3, 2024

Ministers: The members of the congregation

Pastor: Rev. Scott Prouty

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Looking at the Week Ahead

Sunday, March 3: 9:00 am: Sunday School

9:15 am: Choir Practice

10:15 am: Worship - Holy Communion

Following Worship: Packing Weekend Food Bags/Mammen

5:00 pm: Youth Faith in Action Meeting @ Church (with meal)

6-7:45 pm: Youth Skating @ RACC

Monday, March 4: 8:00 am: Pastor Scott has Reflective Pastoral Supervision Zoom

10:00 am: Pastor Scott has Zoom Lenton Sermon Preparation

1:00 pm: Pastor Scott has a Meeting with Renville Pastor

Tuesday, March 5: 2:00 pm: Pastor Scott visits Bob & Bunny Nolting

3:00 pm: Pastor Scott visits Sally Dording

4:00 pm: Pastor Scott visits Todd & Kathy Peterson

Wednesday, March 6: 7:00 am: Old Testament Bible Study

9:00 am: Piecemakers

2:00 pm: Apocrypha Bible Study

6:00 pm: Confirmation/Meal: Danielson

Thursday, March 7: 9:00 am: Pastor Scott has Leadership Meeting

Friday, March 8: 7-10:00 am: Pastors Scott & Pam doing their Annual KLGR

Oscar Morning Show

Sunday, March 10: 9:00 am: Sunday School

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!

**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

**Bible Study** ~ We have two weekly Bible studies on Wednesdays. At 7 am, we read and study the Old Testament (Song of Salomon) and at 2 pm, the Apocrypha (Judith).

**Thank You**  $\sim$  Thank you for all the thoughts, prayers, cards and kind words with Larry's passing. The kindness and support from our church family means a lot to us. A huge thank you to the ladies that served in the kitchen and helped make sure things ran smoothly.  $\sim$  Rick Kramer & the family of Larry Kramer

Youth Skating Event ~ Attention church youth... Join us for a skating party THIS SUNDAY at the RACC. Kids grades K-4 are invited to join us from 6-7:45 pm at the RACC. Kids are to be dropped off and picked up at the RACC.

Youth Faith in Action will be meeting at the church at 5:00 pm to plan a future event and have a meal. Kids will be carpooling to the RACC for skating and are to be picked up at the RACC by 7:45 pm.

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

**Help Wanted**  $\sim$  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.

**Christ is the Passover** ~ An Exploration of Passover, the Last Supper and your communion experience on **Sunday, March 17**, at 5:30 pm, at the United Methodist Church in Redwood Falls. Please RSVP to 644-2000 my March 7.

### **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:** Today: Alex Tiffany, Stephanie Klavetter, Denise Kaupang, 7th: Matthew Prouty, Sally Dording, 8th: Kim Becklund, 9th: Becky Bruns, Doreen Steenblock

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

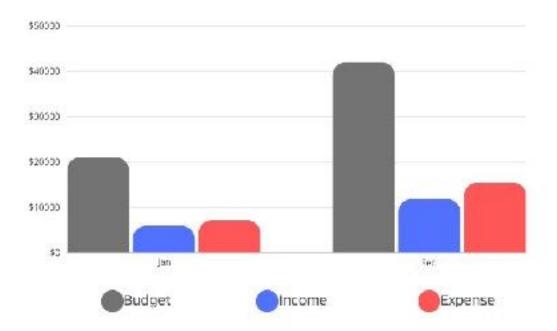
\*Bob & Bunny Nolting\*\*

All Those Fighting Cancer: Shari Fuhr, 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.

# Financial Report

#### FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



Graph indicates year to date:

Budget: \$42,030 Income: \$11,800 Expense: \$15,463