

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: (Psalm 71:1-6 from The Message)

L: I run for dear life to God, I'll never live to regret it.

P: Do what you do so well; get me out of this mess and up on my feet.

L: Put your ear to the ground and listen, give me space for salvation.

P: Be a guest room where I can retreat; you said your door was always open!

L: You're my salvation my vast, granite fortress.

P: My God, free me from the grip of Wicked, from the clutch of Bad and Bully.

L: You keep me going when times are tough my bedrock, God, since my childhood.

P: I've hung on you from the day of my birth, the day you took me from the cradle; I'll never run out of praise.

All: Let us praise God together!

Prayer of Invocation

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of Your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love You and worthily magnify Your holy name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

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

*Call to Confession: (based on Psalm 71:1-6)

The Lord is our hope and our trust, our refuge and our fortress. With confidence born out of faith in God's power to save and deliver us, let us confess our sin together.

*Prayer of Confession: (based on 1 Corinthians 13)

L: Love is patient and kind:

P: Lord, it is hard to be patient when there is so much we need to do and want to do.

When other people slow us down, it is easy to forget to be kind.

L: Love is not jealous or conceited or proud:

P: But we are, God. We look at some people and think we are better than they are. We look at others and feel jealous of what they have and can do. Forgive us.

L: Love is not ill-mannered or selfish or irritable:

P: But we often blurt our rude, hurting names and accusations, almost before we know what we are saying. Help us learn to think before we speak.

L: Love does not keep a record of wrongs:

P: But we remember even those wrongs we have really tried to forgive. We remember them and bring them up when we are angry or when we want our own way. We use them to hurt even the people we love. Help us to forgive and forget.

L: Love is not happy with evil; love is happy with truth.

P: But it is hard not to take secret delight when people get what they had coming to them. Teach us compassion, God.

L: Love never gives up; and its faith, hope and patience never fail:

P: But we give up easily. We give up on other people. We give up on ourselves. We give up on making a difference. We lose hope that anything will ever be any different. Forgive us, for we pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

*Silent Prayers of Confession

*Assurance of Pardon

Hear this about God's great love! God is patient and kind. God does not keep a record of our wrongs. God does not remember our failings at loving, but is happy about every one of our successes. God never gives up on us because God's love is forever! All glory to God. Know that you are forgiven and be at peace. Amen.

*Response #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

Moment for Children: Pastor Scott

Prayer for Illumination

Guide us, O God, by Your Word and Spirit, that in Your light we may see light, in Your truth find wisdom, and in Your will discover Your peace, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Responsive Reading: I Corinthians 13:1-13

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Gospel Reading: Jeremiah 1:4-10

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Scripture Lesson: Luke 4:21-30

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Sermon

***Hymn #729 “Lord I Want to be a Christian”**

Affirmation of Faith: (excerpt from The Second Helvetic Confession, edited)
[We believe] faith [is] efficacious and active through love. It also quiets the conscience and opens a free access to God, so that we may draw near to [God] with confidence and may obtain from [God] what is useful and necessary. The same [faith] keeps us in the service we owe to God and our neighbor, strengthens our patience in adversity, fashions and makes a true confession, and in a word, brings forth good fruit of all kinds, and good works. Amen.

Announcements, Sharing of Joys and Concerns

The Pastoral Prayer & The Lord’s Prayer

Give Thanks to God

Call for the Offering

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.

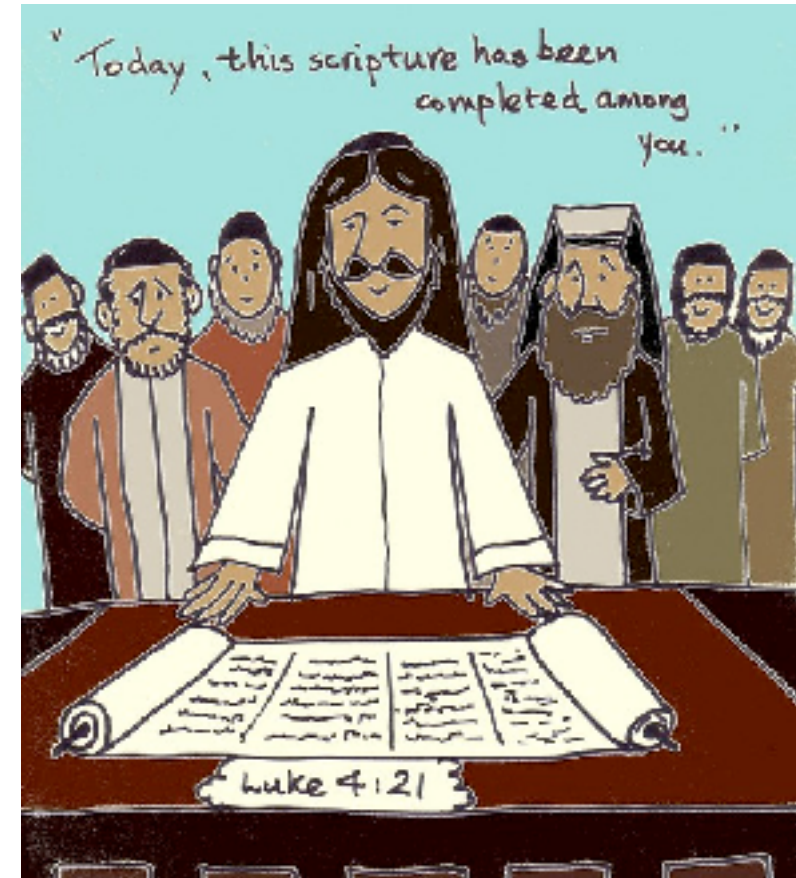
2 And now let the weak say, “We are strong”; let the poor say, “We are rich because of what the Lord has done for us!” Give thanks. Give thanks

***Offertory Prayer**

Holy One, You are the giver of our lives. You know us completely, and You accept from us no weak excuses. Take these gifts, offered from our labors, our commitments, and our collections of interest. Transform them from temporal potential into Your love at work in this tired world that thirsts for Your Word. Amen.

First Presbyterian Church of Redwood Falls

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February 2, 2025

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***Hymn #370** **“This is My Father’s World”**

Holy Communion

***Benediction**

***Postlude**

**Please stand in body or spirit.*

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Church Photos: Reminder... The church office enjoys getting church related photos!!!

Youth Opportunities ~ Youth Club invites kids grades K-4 on Wednesdays from 4-5:15 pm. Kids age 3 through 4th grade are invited to join Sunday School on Sundays at 9 am.

Bible Studies ~ Two Bible studies are being offered on Wednesdays. Everyone is welcome to join. Check the church calendar for more details.

Thank You ~ To the Deacons and Church Members, Velevia and I are so grateful for the generosity and support you have given to us through this time. The items were not expected, but greatly appreciated, you thought of things we did not. We have been extremely stressed and anxious. You have answered our prayers. ~ Charles Milhausen & Velevia

Thank You ~ Dear Pastor Scott, Deacons and Church Members, Todd and I want to thank you all for the prayers and gifts for our grandson, Charlie Milhausen, Velevia & Amariello at their time of need. You are wonderful. ~ Todd & Kathy Peterson

We also want to thank you for your thoughts and prayers during this time of need we are going through. We will keep Pastor Scott up to date. God Bless ~ Todd & Kathy Peterson

Volunteers Needed ~ Bridge Street Bargains Thrift Store is looking for volunteers. If you can help in anyway please contact Jennie at 320-693-8811.

Souper Bowl Sunday ~ Reminder we will have our annual Souper Bowl Sunday competition on February 9. Wear your football gear and bring your cans of soup to vote for your winning team.

Special Event - Skating at the RACC! Wednesday, February 5th, from 5:30 -7:30. Youth Club kids and Youth Faith in Action will meet for a meal, skating and fun in the field house. Please drop off and pick up your kids at the RACC. Parents are welcome, too!

February Ushers: Head Ushers Bob & Sonya Alexander, Ushers: Dan Alexander, Nick, Katherine & Eloise Brozek, Kyle, Kaden & Kanyon Hicks

February Communion Servers: Head Server Bob Alexander, Servers: Dan Alexander, Bruce Tiffany, Nick Brozek, Katherine Brozek, Dan Tiffany, Sonya Alexander

January Deacon of the Month: Julie Fiala

Today’s Greeter: Leon King

February Money Counters: Bob Alexander & Rhonda Joldersma

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 local, national, world political leaders.

Birthdays: *4th: Max Bentson, 5th: Andrew Stephens, 6th: Val Stephens, 7th: Pearl Alexander, Jared Miller, Jenny Kohler*

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

All Those Fighting Cancer: *Sally Sisk (Julie Fiala’s sister), Shayla Shaw*

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

Calendar of Events ~ Please look ahead at the calendar of events. **PLEASE CONFIRM your visits** with Pastor Scott by contacting the church office.

Looking at the Weeks Ahead

Sunday, February 2:

9:00 am: Sunday School
9:15 am: Choir Practice
10:15 pm: Worship with Holy Communion
Following Worship: Packing Weekend Food Bag - Mammen

Tuesday, February 4:

9:30 am: Pastor Scott visits Rosemary Bennett
11:00 am: Pastor Scott visits Merlin Goudy
2:00 pm: Pastor Scott visits Dan Tiffany
3:30 pm: Pastor Scott visits Sue Tiffany

Wednesday February 5:

7:00 am: New Testament Bible Study (Mark)
9:00 am: Piecemakers
2:00 pm: Apocrypha Study (1 Esdras)
4-5:15 pm: Youth Club
5:30-7:30: Skating at the RACC

Sunday, February 9:

9:00 am: Sunday School
9:15 am: Choir Practice
10:15 pm: Worship - Souper Bowl Sunday

Monday, February 10:

Noon: Pastor Scott has Roary Meeting
2:00 pm: Pastor Scott has GA Zoom Meeting
7:00 pm: Session Meeting

Tuesday, February 11:

Noon: Pastor Scott has Ministerial Meeting

Wednesday February 12:

7:00 am: New Testament Bible Study (Mark)
2:00 pm: Apocrypha Study (1 Esdras)
4-5:15 pm: Youth Club
5:30 pm: Deacon Meeting

Thursday, February 13:

9:00 am: Pastor Scott visits Todd Peterson
10:30 am: Pastor Scott visits Lois Davis
Noon: Pastor Scott has Dollars for Scholars Meeting
2:00 pm: Pastor Scott visits Doreen Steenblock
3:00 pm: Pastor Scott visits Kathy Peterson
4:00 pm: Pastor Scott visits Bunny Nolting

Sunday, February 16:

9:00 am: Sunday School
9:15 am: Choir Practice
10:15 pm: Worship
Following Worship: Packing Weekend Food Bag -Stephens Family

Monday, February 17:

Church Offices Closed - President's Day

Tuesday, February 18-March 10: Pastor Scott on Medical Leave

Wednesday, February 19:

9:00 am: Piecemakers
4-5:15 pm: Youth Club

Sunday, February 23:

9:00 am: Sunday School
9:15 am: Choir Practice
10:15 am: Worship with Guest Speaker Rev. Elaine Boyd

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

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