

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

L: Jesus comes to proclaim good news to us all!

P: Jesus releases those who are captive, gives sight to the blind, helps the oppressed, and declares the year of the Lord's favor!

L: May we go and do likewise, offering hope to a hurting world.

P: And may it all begin with our worship of God.

Prayer of Invocation

Since we are Your followers, God, it is fitting that we should be here today, singing songs that praise You, seeking Your guidance, supporting Your good work, being friends with all of Your children, and hearing Your Word. Amen.

Hymn *(insert)* **"We've a Story to Tell to the Nations"**

***Call to Confession**

In our day-to-day lives, we sin in a multitude of ways, by what we have done and what we have left undone. Confession allows us to unburden ourselves and lay before God our stark humanity. Let us offer our prayer, knowing that God is merciful and offers forgiveness to all who turn to God.

***Prayer of Confession**

Gracious God, we are far from the people You have called us to be. We are mired in self-centeredness, seeing things only in terms of how they relate to us and our happiness. Turn our hearts, bent as they are, towards ourselves, out to the world around us. Make us more concerned with others, with their welfare and happiness, leaving our own concerns to You, O God. Forgive us for our many mistakes and make us anew we pray.

***Silent Prayers of Confession**

***Assurance of Pardon**

Hear the good news! God's promise to forgive is sure and everlasting. Know 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: Michelle Johanneck

Prayer for Illumination

Loving God, may Your Spirit be with each of us, showing us Your Word and Your Way. Amen.

Responsive Reading: Psalm 19

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Gospel Reading: Luke 4:14-21

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Scripture Lesson: Nehemiah 8: 1-3, 5-6, 8-10

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Sermon

***Hymn** *(insert)* **"Trust and Obey"**

Affirmation of Faith: (1 Timothy 3:16)

Without any doubt, the mystery of our religion is great: Jesus was revealed in flesh, vindicated in spirit, seen by angels, proclaimed among Gentiles, believed in throughout the world, taken up in glory: This is the story of our faith, and it fills us with hope. Thanks be to God! Amen.

Announcements, Sharing of Joys and Concerns

The Pastoral Prayer & The Lord's Prayer

Give Thanks to God

Call for the Offering

All that we have, all that we are, is a gift from God. Let us in turn offer our gifts to God's work in the world. Let us give our 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**

Gracious God, whose love is so extravagant, we dedicate these gifts to You. May they go to share Your love and care with the world. Amen.

***Hymn #462 "I Have To Tell the Story"**

***Benediction**

***Postlude**

**Please stand in body or spirit.*

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Checks should be written to: First Presbyterian Church with "Imagination Library" in the memo line. Thank you!

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.

Church Meeting ~ Following the Friendship Dinner this afternoon we will be having a meeting to discuss the future of the church. Everyone is encouraged to attend this meeting!

First Presbyterian Church of Redwood Falls

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January 26, 2025

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January Ushers: Head Usher Matt Tiffany, Ushers: Kimary Tiffany, Barb Nelson, Dave Danielson, Leon King, Donavon Sharpe

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: Dan Alexander

Today's Greeter: Lee Davis

January Money Counters: Michael Joldersma & Julie Rienstra

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: *Today: Tyler Siegfried, 27th: Bob Alexander, 28th: Barb Brown, Sue Tiffany, 29th: Ashley Whelihan, 30th: Stacy Mathiowetz, 31st: Bob Kaupang, February 1st: Katherine Brozek, Samantha Gertsma, James Palmer*

Anniversaries: *27th: Gene & Fae Becklund*

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)*

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

Friendship Dinners ~ The Deacons have some exciting news... **FRIENDSHIP DINNERS are back!** Our first dinner will be TODAY, following worship. We are serving chili with toppings, desserts and beverages. All plates, utensils and cups will be provided, Just bring yourself, your friends/family/neighbors.

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

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, January 26:

9:00 am: Sunday School

9:15 am: Choir Practice

10:15 pm: Worship

11:30 am: Friendship Dinner

Following Dinner: Church Meeting

Monday, January 27:

11:00 am: Pastor Scott has Rotary Board Meeting

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Wednesday, January 29:

7:00 am: New Testament Bible Study (Matthew)

2:00 pm: Apocrypha Study (2 Maccabees)

4-5:15 pm: Youth Club

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

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 (Matthew)

9:00 am: Piecemakers

2:00 pm: Apocrypha Study (2 Maccabees)

4-5:15 pm: Youth Club

Sunday, February 9:

9:00 am: Sunday School

9:15 am: Choir Practice

10:15 pm: Worship - Souper Bowl Sunday

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

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