

# First Presbyterian Church - Lake Park, Iowa

www.fpclakepark.org      Worship Service 10:30 am  
June 11, 2023              2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

Musical Prelude – Time to prepare your heart for Worship

## Announcements

Call to Worship Psalm 33: 1-12

L: Sing joyfully to the Lord, you righteous; it is fitting for the upright to praise him.

**C: Praise the Lord with the harp; make music to him on the ten-stringed-lyre.**

L: Sing to him a new song; play skillfully, and shout for joy.

**C: For the word of the Lord is right and true; he is faithful in all he does.**

L: The Lord loves righteousness and justice; the earth is full of his unfailing love.

**C: By the word of the Lord were the heavens made, their starry host by the breath of his mouth.**

L: He gathers the waters of the sea into jars; he puts the deep into storehouses.

**C: Let all the earth fear the Lord; let all the people of the world revere him.**

L: For he spoke, and it came to be; he commanded, and it stood firm.

**C: The Lord foils the plans of the nations; he thwarts the purposes of the peoples.**

L: But the plans of the Lord stand firm forever, the purposes of his heart through all generations.

**ALL: Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord, the people he chose for his inheritance.**

Hymn of Praise: #505 "He Touched Me" (remain standing)

Call to Confession (Leader)

God promises to love us and forgive us, not because we are righteous or law-abiding, but simple because we are. Trusting in God's steadfast love, let us confess our sin together.

Prayer of Confession

**ALL: Merciful God, you are always drawing the circle of you love wider, but often we resist. You tell us that all people are your beloved, and we ask, "Why?" "Why them?" "Even them?!" We are quick to judge others rather than being grateful that we, too, are included in the fold. We prioritize the privileged, the powerful and the people who look and act right, but you extend grace first to the sinner, the outcast and the marginalized. Forgive us, O God. Transform us, that we may show mercy as you show mercy. Amen.**

Assurance of Pardon

L: When the woman touched Jesus' cloak, he told her, "Take heart daughter; your faith has made you well." Indeed, we are made well and whole, not because of ourselves, but through the grace of God.

**ALL: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!**

Gloria Patri: # 812

Special Music

Prayer for Illumination (Leader)

L: God beyond all knowing, you are shrouded in wonder and mystery and yet as close to us as our very breath. By your Spirit, illuminate our hearts and minds through you Word, that we may follow you more faithfully. Amen.

Reading of Scriptures

First Lesson: Genesis 12: 1-9 Page #17

Second Lesson: Romans 4: 13-25 Page #1751

Hymn: (remain seated) #593 "Where He Leads Me"

Gospel Lesson: Matthew 9: 9-13, 18-25 Pages #1509-1510

Sermon: "The Church"

Affirmation of Faith

**All: We believe in Jesus Christ, the realization of true humanity. Jesus, a Palestinian Jew, lived among his own people, sharing their needs, temptations, joys, and sorrows. Expressing God's love in word and deed, he became a friend to sinners, and a refuge for those cast aside. Many rejected him and demanded his death, but he gave himself freely, with mercy and love. God raised this Jesus from the dead, vindicating him as Messiah and Lord. The victim of sin became the victor, conquering death for all people. In Christ Jesus, love gets the final word.**

Call for the Offering (Leader)

God comes to us in grace; we respond with gratitude. Let us return to God a portion of what we have received.

Offertory

Doxology #815

Prayer for Tithes and Offering

Prayers: Sharing of Joys and Concerns; Lord's Prayer

Prayers of Thanksgiving

L: Almighty God, from whom comes all good gifts, we remember your loving kindness and your unlimited mercy as we join in grateful thanks and praise.

**C: For all your gifts to us and the opportunity to use them in your service, we offer thanks, O God.**

L: For the gift of Jesus Christ, and for the gift of the inspiration and presence of the Holy Spirit, we offer thanks, O God.

**C: For the gifts of faith which gives us courage and grace that gives us peace, we offer thanks, O God.**

**ALL: We praise you here with our voices, send us out now to praise you with our lives. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, Amen.**

Benediction

Closing Hymn: #539 "My Faith Looks Up To Thee" (stand if able)

**MINISTRY LEADERS**

**Worship Music:** Denise Lev **Worship Leader:** Al Grigg  
+ All members are ministers of Jesus Christ +

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6/4/23 - Attendance: 22 Regular Offering: \$417.00  
Rummage Sale Total- \$401.50

**\*Reminder: Per Capita for 2023 is \$48.00** 2023 Paid: 20



**From our Presbytery:** Please pray for United Presbyterian in Vail-CRE Rebecca Brown

**Office Hours:** Monday, Wednesday, Friday 8:00 – 11:00 am

**THIS WEEK**

**Birthdays!!**

**Today-**Grace Bevers

**Wednesday, June 14-**Shirley Wallace

**Thursday, June 15-** Darwin VanMaasdam, Roger Wiese

**Saturday, June 17-**Jan Sathern

**HAPPY ANNIVERSARY-**Mike & Ann McClain Friday, June 16.

**Monday, June 12-** Bible Study 12:30 Fireside Room

**Wednesday, June 14-**PW 2:00

Finance Meeting-4:30 Session Meeting-5:00

**Sunday, June 18-**Rev. Sara Sutter from Lakeshore Center will grace our pulpit once again. Communion will be served that day; we will also have the Camp Support Offering.

**THANK YOU!**

A HUGE thank you to everyone who helped with this year's rummage sale. This task could not be done without all of you.



**Celebration for Shirley Wallace...TODAY....2:00-4:00 at the Ocheyedan City Park. All are invited to join Shirley and her family for the wonderful occasion of her 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday.**

