

First Presbyterian Church - Lake Park, Iowa

www.fpclakepark.org Worship Service 10:30 am
October 22, 2023 21st Sunday after Pentecost

Musical Prelude Time to prepare your heart for worship

Announcements

Call to Worship (from Psalm 145)

L: I will exalt You, my God, the King! I will praise Your name for ever and ever.

C: Great is the Lord and most worthy of praise; His greatness no one can fathom.

L: One generation will comment Your works to another; They will tell of Your mighty acts.

C: Great is the Lord and most worthy of praise; His greatness no one can fathom.

L: Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and Your dominion endures through all generation.

C: Great is the Lord and most worthy of praise; His greatness no one can fathom.

L: The Lord is faithful to all His promises and loving toward all He has made. The Lord upholds all those who fall and lifts up all who are bowed down.

C: Great is the Lord and most worthy of praise; His greatness no one can fathom.

L: The Lord is righteous in all His ways and loving toward all He has made. The Lord is near to all who call on Him, to all who call on Him in truth.

C: Great is the Lord and most worthy of praise; His greatness no one can fathom.

L: My mouth will speak in praise of the Lord.

Everyone: Let every creature praise His holy name for ever and ever.

Opening Hymn "We Will Glorify You" #105

Call to confession

Dear people of God, this morning as we gather to worship our Creator God. We declare as the Psalmist, that you God created us. You, who loves us, and redeems us completely. Before a word is on our tongues, You know it completely. And we are assured that there is nowhere we can go that is separated from your presence.

Prayer of confession

Gracious and loving God, we confess that it is difficult to keep you first in our lives. There are so many urgent demands on us that we find it hard to focus ourselves on you. The culture around us sends so many mixed messages that it is hard to listen to your still small voice. We get distracted and find ourselves further and further from the abundant life you want to give us. Forgive us, O God, for these and all our sins, as we confess them in silent prayer.

"Gloria Patri" #812

Assurance of Pardon

God is faithful and just to forgive our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. You are just in all your ways. And your mercy is unlimited. We thank you our Father.

Special Music

Prayer for Illumination (Leader)

O Lord, open our hearts and minds to Your Words of truth that come from your Holy Word. Reveal what you want for us this morning. May the words that I speak be acceptable and pleasing to Lord our Rock and our Redeemer. Amen

Hymn: "No One Ever Cared for Me like Jesus" # 496

Sermon: "Completing the Journey"

Affirmation of Faith (Apostles' Creed)

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Call for the Offering:

Our Father, You have blessed us so much with our salvation, our strength for each day. Our daily bread, and freedoms that we enjoy. You have given us a warm place to gather together and worship with friends and neighbors. You giving love is lavish and unending. We want to give back to you by being generous with our lives and offerings.

Offertory

Doxology

Prayer of Dedication (1st Verse Only)

Hymn "We Give Thee But Thine Own" #816

Prayers for Joy and Concern

The Lord's Prayer

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Benediction

Sending Hymn: "The Lord Bless You and Keep You #236

MINISTRY LEADERS

Worship Music: Denise Lev

Worship Leader: Dan Hibma

+ All members are ministers of Jesus Christ +

10/15/2023 - Attendance: 21 Regular Offering: \$301

Blanket Offering Total-\$65.00

***Reminder: Per Capita for 2023 is \$48.00** 2023 Paid: 21



From our Presbytery: Please pray for the staff of PCUSA.

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

Celebrations this Week

TODAY-Ariana Crooks Birthday

Activities this Week

Monday, October 23- Monday Morning Coffee Break 9-10 a.m.

UPCOMING CELEBRATION!

On Sunday, November 12th we will be honoring our Veterans. If you are a Veteran or active member of our military, you are welcome to bring pictures or any memorabilia from your time of service that you would like to share.

Veterans from our community are invited to join us, so tell your friends, bring your neighbor and let's honor all those who served or are serving.

We will have coffee and refreshments following our regular church service.

