

First Presbyterian Church Kasson, MN  
Rev. David Mead

September 17, 2017

10:00 a.m.

**We Approach God**

Announcements

Prelude

*Organ plays for a time of silent meditation.*

Choral Introit

“We Have Gathered”

Choir

**\*Call to Worship**

**L:** God calls us away from the tumult of the world that we may focus our thoughts on things that are lasting.

**P:** **In God’s presence we see our lives more clearly; the broken pieces are put back together.**

**L:** God calls us out of loneliness into a life of community.

**P:** **Worshipping together, caring about one another, we find out what it means to be truly human.**

**L:** But God will send us back into the world’s confusion and busyness, its brokenness and isolation

**P:** **But we will go with serenity and joy, strengthened to be God’s servants, the bearers of peace.**

\*Hymn No. 464

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

**Prayer of Confession (in Unison)**

**Most loving God, we can scarcely comprehend the scope of your forgiveness, we can hardly believe your amazing presence, and in our pride, we withhold forgiveness from other people. Through the power of your Holy Spirit, grant us the assurance of your love .May our hearts be filled with gratitude for you Grace which overflows with love toward others. Amen**

\*Words of Assurance

\*Gloria Patri - Hymn No. 579

Anthem

“Wake Up, Church, Wake Up!” P. Choplin

Responsive Reading

Psalm 114

(OT pg. 693)

**We are Inspired by God**

Hymn No. 2233

Where Children Belong

This, this is where children belong, welcomed as part of the worshipping throng. Water, God’s Word, bread and cup, prayer, and song: This is where children belong.

Children’s Time

\* Hymn No. 348

Forgive Our Sins As We Forgive

Scripture

Matthew 18:21-35

(NT pg. 24)

Sermon

"Who’s Counting?"

**We Respond to God**

Choral Call to Prayer

Choir

The Pastoral Prayer and The Lord’s Prayer

Congregational Amen No. 570

Call for Offering

Offertory

\*Doxology No. 592

\*Prayer of Dedication (in Unison)

**May our gifts go forth into our world, so that where people hunger, they may be fed; where there is war, peace might be welcomed; where families are broken, they may be made whole. Then others will be as blessed as we have been by your love, grace, and compassion. In Jesus' name, we offer our gifts and this prayer of gratitude. Amen.**

\*Hymn No. 293

This is My Father’s World

\*Benediction

\*Dismissal Hymn No. 2241 (4<sup>th</sup> verse) *The Spirit Sends Us Forth to Serve*

*“Then let us go to serve in peace, the gospel to proclaim. God’s Spirit has empowered us; we go in Jesus’ name.”*

\*Postlude

**WELCOME VISITORS. Thank you for coming to worship with us.  
Please sign our guest book before you leave.**

**Sunday School and Adult Bible Study at 9:00 am  
Sunday Worship at 10:00 am  
Fellowship at 11:00 am  
Prayer Shawl Ministry Tuesdays at 10:00 am.  
Choir Wednesdays at 7:00 pm.**

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**Ushers: Howard Gransee, Bob Tracy, Steve Springsted, Dick Wolff**

**You are invited to stay for the Walking Taco luncheon today following worship; which is sponsored by PW.**

**The newsletter deadline is Wednesday, September 20<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 am.**

**The PW retreat is September 21<sup>st</sup>. There is a signup sheet on the bulletin board; we will leave at 8:30 am.**

**You can bring your rummage sale items to the church Sunday, September 24<sup>th</sup> through Wednesday, September 27<sup>th</sup>. The church rummage sale will be Saturday, September 30<sup>th</sup> from 8 am until noon. It would be wonderful to have volunteers from 7:30 am until about 12:30 pm. If you have any plastic bags you could drop off, that would be great also. Any questions contact Jennifer Mittelstadt.**

**Did you have a son or daughter go off to college? Please let the office know their address.**

**The Real Breakfast is October 21<sup>st</sup>. A signup sheet is in the Fellowship Hall.**

**Thank you to Rev. Mead for leading us in worship today.**

**Please complete the survey in today's bulletin and leave the completed survey in the box provided in the Fellowship Hall.**