

First Presbyterian Church Kasson, MN
Pastor Dan Yeazel

December 31, 2017

10:00 a.m.

We Approach God

Announcements

Prelude

Organ plays for a time of silent meditation.

***Call to Worship**

Rosalie Trom

L: We worship today with a joy that fills our hearts;

P: The good news is that Christ is born

L: We worship today with a longing that fills our lives;

P: The good news is that Christ is born.

L: We worship today with a hope that heightens our expectations;

P: The good news is that Christ is born.

L: We worship today with a love that transcends all time;

P: The good news is that Christ is born.

*Hymn No. 40

Joy to the World!

Prayer of Confession (in Unison)

We admit that we always find the time to fill our stomachs, God of every moment, but not our souls. We spend hours watching television, but not the wonders of Your creation. We arrange outings with our friends, yet ignore Your invitation to sit and talk. We make resolutions to change every aspect of our lives, except for that which pertains to You.

Forgive us, God of Glory, and make us new. In the moments to come this year, remind us that if there is a time for everything, then we do have those moments for grace, for hope, for joy, for a relationship with our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

*Words of Assurance

*Gloria Patri - Hymn No. 579

Responsive Reading

Psalm 148

(OT pg. 716)

We are Inspired by God

* Hymn No. 28

Good Christian Friends, Rejoice

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

Scriptures

Isaiah 61:10-62:3

(OT pg. 846)

Galatians 4:4-7

(NT pg. 231)

Sermon

"Destined for Adoption"

We Respond to God

* Hymn No. 31

Hark! The Herald Angels Sing

Prayer Requests

The Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

Congregational Amen No. 570

Call for Offering

Offertory

*Doxology No. 592

*Prayer of Dedication of Gifts and Self (in Unison)

Generous and loving God, we come with gratitude for the gift of life and love that you have bestowed upon us in Jesus Christ. Give us a deeper sense of your purpose for our lives in the gifts you have given us. As you have come in humility through Jesus Christ, so may we with humble hearts and open minds bring your gifts of love and life to those who surround us. We pray this in the name of the newborn King, Jesus Christ. Amen.

*Hymn No. 31

Hark! The Herald Angels Sing

*Benediction

*Dismissal Hymn No. 2241 (4th 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 Communicants Class 9:00 am

Sunday Worship at 10:00 am

Fellowship at 11:00 am

Office hours W & F 8-12

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

Prayer Shawl ministry meets every Tuesday at 10:00 am.

Afternoon Circle will be January 4th 2:00 pm at Jane Carlsen's.

We will celebrate the Sacrament of Communion January 7th.

**Elders and Deacons will be installed during the worship hour
January 7th.**

Sunday School will resume January 7th, 2018.

NAMI will meet January 9th 7:00-8:30 pm.

**The Annual reports from the committees and church organization
are due to Janet, Thursday, January 11th.**

**Pastor Dan will be gone January 8-14. Pastor Kirk from Hayfield
Presbyterian will be on call for any emergencies. 540-521-5553**

Our Annual meeting will be held after worship, January 28th.