

First Presbyterian Church Kasson, MN
Pastor Dan Yeazel

March 11, 2018

10:00 a.m.

We Approach God

Announcements

Prelude

Organ plays for a time of silent meditation.

***Call to Worship**

L: The morning stars profess God's glory:

P: the waking birds sing a refrain of grace.

L: The sun warms us with God's hope, the night sky whispers peace to our sleepy souls:

P: creation's voice echoes continually in our hearts, reminding us of God's steadfast love.

L: Our wisdom is shattered by God's absurd love; God's vulnerability strengthens our feeble faith:

P: God's words place joy in our hearts; we follow them to peace and hope.

*Hymn No. 280 "Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound"

Unison Prayer of Confession (unison)

You give us your commandments, Holy One, so we may have new life, but we continue to make the same old choices. Your love can anchor us when life threatens to overwhelm us, but we choose to cling to the slippery rocks of anger and bitterness. Your Word can strengthen us for every moment, but we listen to the foolish promises of the world. Forgive us, Redeemer of our lives: may every word be shaped by your Word; may every thought be refined by your grace; may every deed be inspired by your Spirit, so we may tell everyone we meet of your work in us, through Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior.

*Gloria Patri - Hymn No. 579

Responsive Reading Psalm 107:1-3, 17-22 (OT pg. 687)

We are Inspired by God

Hymn No. 2233

"Where Children Belong"

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

Children's Time

Scriptures

Numbers 21:4-9

(OT pg. 174)

John 3:14-21

(NT pg. 114)

Sermon

"Snakes and Shadows"

* Hymn No.207

"How Lovely, Lord"

We Respond to God

Prayer Requests

The Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

Congregational Amen No. 570

Call for Offering

Offertory

*Doxology No. 592

*Prayer of Dedication (in Unison)

Make us foolish enough in our generosity, O God, that we might become wise enough to know that our gifts will bless others - the hungry, the lonely, the searching, the weak. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

*Hymn No. 85

"What Wondrous Love Is This"

*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

March is FoodShare month.

NAMI meets every Tuesday at 7:00 pm.

Choir practice is every Wednesday at 7:00 pm. New voices always welcome.

For Prayer Chain requests please contact Lisa Carlsen at 635-5453 or 251-1629 or carlsen@kmtel.com. She will then activate the prayer chain. If anyone would like to be added to the prayer chain, please let Lisa know.

Morning Circle meets March 14th at 9:30 am.

Session meets March 14th at 6:00 pm.

PW meets March 15th at 2:00 pm.

The Easter Memorial Garden signup sheet is posted on the bulletin board near the kitchen. Please see it for details. You may give Gayle Kaufeld the funds on or after March 18th.

What better way to prepare for the joy of Easter than hearing uplifting and spirit-filled music! The Luther College Concert Band, one of the Midwest's outstanding collegiate wind ensembles, will perform at 7 p.m. Monday, March 26, at the Minnesota Wi-Fi Performing Arts Center at Kasson-Mantorville High School. The concert is open to the public with a freewill donation taken at the door.

The Newsletter deadline is March 21st at 8:00 am.