

First Presbyterian Church Kasson, MN
Pastor Tammy Rider

February 24, 2018

10:00 a.m.

We Approach God

Announcements

Prelude

Organ plays for a time of silent meditation.

Choral Introit

***Call to Worship**

L: Lent calls us to journey, this and every day, following Jesus wherever he leads us.

P: **Lent calls us to journey: to the place where God covenants with us, to receive the new names we are given.**

L: Lent calls us to worship together, to tell future generations the good news.

P: **Lent calls us to practice justice, to bring God's hope to all people.**

L: Lent calls us to faithful living, to trust the One who gives us life.

P: Lent calls each of us to take up our cross, to trust the One who bears it with us.

L: Lent calls us to journey with God.

P: Let us worship God, who walks with us, this and every day.

*Hymn No. 2236 "Gather Us In"

Call to Confession

Given a test on our faith, would we have a passing grade? Looking at our lives of discipleship, would we be considered good models for others? When we fail to trust God, we discover that we do indeed lead barren lives. Let us be honest as we stand before our God, and bring our confessions for forgiveness and hope.

Unison Prayer for Forgiveness

God of Sarah and Abraham, in this holy place, we know how weak is our discipleship. We can spend hours at the computer, but only give you fleeting moments of our time. We can talk endlessly on our cell phones, but fall silent when it comes to sharing our fears, our worries, our hopes with you. We seek quick fixes for our problems, rather than seeking your vision and future for our lives. God of Peter, Paul, and the psalmist, forgive us: for our lack of trust; for our faithless living; for our closing our ears to the call of Jesus.

Forgive us, so we may lay aside all the keeps us from you, so we may take up the life you offer to us, through Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior.

* Assurance of Pardon

L: This is the good news: God does not go back on the promises made so long ago. God does not reject us, God redeems us. God does not withhold love, God pours it into our barren lives.

P: **Forgiven of our sins, filled with hope, living in relationship with God and one another - we are a new people. Thanks be to God. Amen**

*Gloria Patri - Hymn No. 579

Responsive Reading Psalm 22:23-31 (OT pg. 616)

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

Anthem "Keep Me Near the Cross" by Robert Sterling

Scriptures Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16 (OT pg. 15)
Mark 1:9-15 (NT pg. 43)

Sermon

* Hymn No.72 "When Jesus Came to Jordan"

We Respond to God

Prayer Requests

Choral Call to Prayer

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 these gifts represent our willingness to deny ourselves, so others might be blessed by your grace, your peace, as well as your hope, in every moment of their lives. In Jesus' name, we pray.

*Hymn No. 84 “In the Cross of Christ I Glory”

*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

Our Website is www.presbykasson.org

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

NAMI meets every Tuesday at 7:00 pm.

**Choir practice is every Wednesday at 7:00 pm. New singers 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.**

**Afternoon Circle will meet Thursday, March 8th at 2:00 pm at the home
of Jane Carlsen. NOTE change of date.**

Thank you to Rev. Tammy Rider for leading us in worship today.