

**First Presbyterian Church Kasson, MN**  
**Rev. Dr. Allison Bucklin**

**October 7, 2018**

**10:00 a.m.**

**We Approach God**

Announcements

Prelude

Dan Kaufeld

*Organ plays for a time of silent meditation.*

Choral Introit

“Give God Thanks!”

By Lloyd Larson

**\*Call to Worship**

**Amy Borgstrom, Liturgist**

L: The Lord’s word is flawless; he shields all who take refuge in him.

**P: For who is God besides the Lord? And who is the Rock except our God?**

L: To the faithful he shows himself faithful, to the blameless he shows himself blameless,

**P: to the pure he shows himself pure, but to the devious he shows himself shrewd.**

L: He saves the humble but brings low those whose eyes are haughty.

**P: You, Lord, keep my lamp burning; my God turns my darkness into light.**

\*Hymn No. 281

“Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah”

**\* Unison Prayer of Confession**

Almighty God, heavenly Father, take from our hearts everything that gets in the way of love, and everything that cheapens it. We confess how blind we are. We have been afraid to ask you for sight, in case we should see ourselves too well. We confess how headstrong we are. We have not even wanted to know your will, let alone do it. We confess the harm we have done to other people and ourselves, because of our ignorance and stubbornness. Father, forgive us. Create in us the spirit and mind of Jesus, and produce from us a harvest of love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control, that we might bring honor to the name you have given us. Amen

*Silent prayer*

\* Assurance of Pardon

L: The righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ is for all who believe.

**All: Thanks be to God, we are forgiven.**

\*Gloria Patri - Hymn No. 579

Responsive Reading

Psalm 1

**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

Isiah 2:12-18 (OT pg. 773), Philippians 2:1-8 (NT pg. 240)

Matthew 5:5

(NT pg. 5)

This is the word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God!**

Sermon

“Neither Wimps nor Wolves”

Rev. Dr. Allison Bucklin

Hymn No. 378

“Make Me a Captive, Lord”

**We Respond to God**

Prayer Requests

Choral Call to Prayer

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord’s Prayer

Congregational Amen No. 570

Call for Offering

Offertory

“He’s Got the Whole World in His Hands”

by R. Thygerson

\*Doxology No. 592

Anthem

“At the Table of the Lord”

by Jay Althouse

\*Communion Prayer (in Unison)

**And now in union with your church in heaven and on earth, we pray, O God, that you will fulfill your eternal purpose in us and in all the world. Keep us faithful in your service until Christ comes in final victory, and we shall feast with all your saints in the joy of your eternal realm. Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor are yours, almighty Father, now and forever. Amen.**

### **World Communion**

Leader: The Lord be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

Leader: Lift up your hearts

**All: We lift them to the Lord.**

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**All: It is right to give thanks and praise**

\*Hymn No. 391 "Take My Life"

\*Benediction

\*Dismissal Hymn No. 340 "God Be With You Till We Meet Again" vs. 1

\*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](http://www.presbykasson.org)**

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

**The Sacrament of Communion will be served today. Presbyterians practice open communion. The bread and grape juice will be passed through the congregation. Please hold the bread, and later the cup, until all are served. We will eat the bread, and then drink the cup together showing unity in Christ.**

**NAMI meets every Tuesday at 7:00 pm.**

**The PW is holding a Walking Taco Luncheon in the fellowship hall following the worship service today. It is a local mission fundraiser and congregation fellowship opportunity. Free will offering.**

**Morning Circle meets Oct.10<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 am.**

**Session meets Oct. 10<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm.**

**The PW Fall Retreat has been postponed to Thursday, Oct. 18<sup>th</sup>. Please see the sign-up sheet on the PW bulletin board for details. All women of the church are invited.**

**The sign-up sheet for the Real Breakfast is on the table in the Fellowship Hall.**

**Fall Church Clean-Up; Oct.27<sup>th</sup>; 8 am - 12 noon**

**The Property Committee has a list of inside and outside areas needing attention. Should this date or time not work for you, our committee has a task list that can be accomplished at your convenience within your schedule. Contact Mike Prenzlou, Troy Andrist, Wayne Trom or Jane Hesper for direction.**