

First Presbyterian Church Kasson, MN

November 18, 2018

10:00 a.m.

**We Approach God**

Announcements

Prelude

*Organ plays for a time of silent meditation.*

**\*Call to Worship**

Bob Tracy, Liturgist

L: O, Protector of those thrown out as worthless, we come to You today knowing the desperation within and about us. We seek to open our eyes to see – and our ears to hear – the cries of your suffering people, of rejected families, of separated and abandoned children.

**P: We come to you seeking to care more deeply and to respond more earnestly to those who cry out to You in desperation.**

L: Come to us. Embolden us to act. Help us to understand that through our caring, our standing up for the least of these providing for their protection and basic needs for security, safety, shelter, and the means of livelihood – we make Your presence visible and felt.

**P: O, Protector, through us, may You be a blessing to those who cry out for mercy and justice! You call us to KNOW what is going on, to take measure of what is happening. May we be fitting instruments of Your action to set things a-right, restoring dignity and respect for those who are unable to fend for themselves.**

**ALL: Come, let us worship God in word and deed.**

\*Hymn No. 271 “Many and Great, O God, Are Thy Things”

**Prayer of Confession (in Unison)**

God, our Protector, we confess our failure to live up to the standards of Jesus in standing up for those most in need of our concern, not inquiring into the social and political issues that affect their lives, showing disinterest in their desperation as they seek a place of refuge and safety for themselves and their families. Though we know that the world is changed through action, we have failed to show mercy through action, we have failed to demand and act publicly and politically for justice, failing to speak and stand up according to our convictions. Forgive us. Let us be as Jesus was in courageous and fearless mercy and in justice seeking. Amen.

**\* Assurance of Grace ( in Unison)**

Though we have failed to do our part in restoring justice and showing mercy, you have not abandoned us, expecting more from us, you continue to call us again and again to be partners with you.

Encouraged by your love and trust, we begin again seeking to be the people of your calling. Loved, forgiven, and trusted, as you have been for us, we seek to be for others, as we greet each other and offer a sign of peace.

\* Gloria Patri Hymn No. 579

Hymn: Taize: O Lord, Hear My Prayer

O, Lord, hear my prayer, O, Lord, hear my prayer.  
When I call, answer me!  
O, Lord, hear my prayer, O, Lord, hear my prayer.  
Come and listen to me!

Responsive Reading

Psalm 113

(OT pg. 692)

**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

Sunday School Singers

Son Rock Kids' Camp  
Who's That Walking on the Water?  
Peter was a Fisherman  
The Trail of Life

Scriptures

1 Samuel 1:4-20

(OT pg. 303)

1 Samuel 2: 1-10

(OT pg. 304)

Sermon

“Thrown Out with the Trash”

\* Hymn No. 394

“There Is a Balm in Gilead”

**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)**

**Protector of the forsaken, we dedicate these gifts of our labor as material signs of love, caring and service as we make You present in our world.**

**\*Hymn No.386**

**“O for a World”**

**\*Benediction** Go in peace to love and serve our God in love and Trust!

***It is good to Trust in the Lord our God! Trust and Hope in the Lord our God!***

**\*Dismissal Hymn Taize: *The Lord Is My Song***

The Lord is my Song, The Lord is my praise. All my hope comes from God. The Lord is my Song. The Lord is my praise. God the well-spring of life.

**\*Postlude**

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

**Sunday School and Confirmation Class 9:00 am**

**Sunday Worship at 10:00 am**

**Fellowship at 11:00 am**

**Our Website is [www.presbykasson.org](http://www.presbykasson.org)**

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

**The Women's Shelter is in need of New bed pillows. If you can help by purchasing a couple please bring them into church by November 25th for pick up.**

**The Newsletter deadline is November 20th at 8:00 am. The church office will be closed Nov. 23rd.**

**It's that time of year again, when we celebrate the season by adorning the sanctuary with our memorial Poinsettias. They are purchased locally from Houston's Greenhouse and continue to be \$10. The plants will be in the sanctuary from Dec. 9 -24. You may take your memorial plant home following the Christmas Eve**

**service. Please pay by cash or check made out to Gayle when you sign up. Any questions may be directed to Gayle Kaufeld. Thank you**

**No Sunday School or Confirmation class next Sunday.**

**As of 10.31.18 the church has received \$12,752 of the \$43,138.60 total cost of the roof project. This is 29.56% received of the 100%. We have much further to go. Please donate to the church roof fund project.**

**Afternoon Circle will meet December 6th at 2 pm at the home of Dusty Heiserman. Bring an appetizer and a \$5.00 Christmas gift.**

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