



Sunday, April 30, 2023

First Presbyterian Church
101 - 6th Ave. NW
Kasson, MN

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**Brian Rohrs, Pianist
Rev. Erica Schemper**

April 30, 2023

10:00 a.m.

We Approach God

Announcements

Prelude

***Call to Worship**

L: Great Spirit of God, you have healed our wounds.

P: You have brought us from paths of hurt and anger.

L: You have blessed our life that we might be a blessing to others.

P: Let us worship you in great joy.

L: Let us remember the ways you have turned our mourning into dancing.

P: Let us give thanks to you forever.

***Hymn No. 14** “*For the Beauty of the Earth*” verses 1,2,5

***Prayer of Confession**

We rejoice in the wonder of your resurrection, O Christ, but then tend to sink back into our old ways of thinking, behaving, responding to people’s needs. Forgive us when we so easily become distracted by our own cares and worries that we ignore the needs of others around us. Forgive us when we forget your power and love for us. Charge us up, O Lord! Set our hearts to dancing! Give us a spirit for rejoicing, willing hearts and hands for helping, voices for praising you forever! Amen.

***Assurance of Grace**

Sing! Shout! Rejoice! Jesus calls us to serve because of his love for you. He believes in us and all the gifts you have been given! Do not be afraid. In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

*** Gloria Patri Hymn No. 581** *Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.*

We are Inspired by God

Hymn No. 188

“Jesus Loves Me!”

Jesus loves me! This I know, for the Bible tells me so. Little ones to him belong. They are weak, but he is strong. Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.

Children’s Time

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading Psalm 23 (unison)

The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want. He makes me lie down in green pastures; He leads me beside still waters; He restores my soul. He leads me in right paths for his name's sake. Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I fear no evil; for you are with me; your rod and your staff-- they comfort me. You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord my whole life long.

Scripture Reading: Luke 24:13-35 Pg. 109-110 NT

Sermon: Rev. Erica Schemper

***Hymn No. 724** “*O Jesus, I Have Promised*” verses 1,2, 4

We Respond to God

***Affirmation of Faith from the Apostles Creed (in Unison)**

I Believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ, His Only Son, our Lord, Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried. He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty, from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

The Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

**Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts,
as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but
deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power
and the glory, forever. Amen.**

Call for Offering

Anything \$20 or less is counted for our loose offering and goes toward supporting local and international church mission.

Offertory

***Doxology No. 606**

***Prayer of Dedication (in Unison)**

**O most merciful and gracious God,
from whose open hand we all have received much:
We ask you to accept this offering of your people.
Remember in your love those who have brought it.
Remember also those persons and purposes for which it is given.
So follow this sacrifice with your blessing that it may promote
peace and good will, and advance the kingdom of our Lord and
Savior Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray; Amen.**

Hymn No. 39 *"Great is Thy Faithfulness"

***Benediction**

***Dismissal No. Hymn 542** (God Be with You Till We Meet Again
*"God be with you till we meet again; loving counsels guide, uphold
you, with a shepherds care enfold you, God be with you till we meet
again."*

***Postlude**

Liturgy written by Nancy C. Townley, Ministry Matters, 2022

WELCOME VISITORS. Thank you for coming to worship with us.

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Church Office Hours
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**PLEASE CALL OR EMAIL THE CHURCH OFFICE IF YOU,
A LOVED ONE, OR A MEMBER IS IN NEED OF PRAYERS.
BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**We would like to thank Rev.
Erica Schemper for leading
our service today.**

**Come and enjoy our Annual
Salad Luncheon on Wednes-
day, May 3rd , 11:00-1:00**

**Todd Livingston has retired
after serving 20 years in the
Air Force. He and his family
are returning home.**

**Saturday, May 6th, we are
serving a steak dinner at the
American Legion in Kasson
from**

**Don't forget "Fellowship at
the Legion" Monday 5:30 -
7:00 PM**

**Fellowship Circle is meeting
on Thursday, May 4th at
9:30 AM**

**If you have a favorite Bible
verse for our bulletin board,
please put it on the secretary's
desk.**

Treasurer's Report:	
Receipts March 2023	\$ 6,751.11
Expenses March 2023	\$ 10,435.34
Balance March 2023	\$ (3,684.23)
Needed weekly	\$ 2,435.08
Needed monthly	\$ 10,552.03