



Sunday, July 2, 2023

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

# First Presbyterian Church Kasson, MN

July 2, 2023      Brian Rohrs, Pianist      Mr. Larry Pedersen      10:00 a.m.

## We Approach God

Announcements

Prelude

### \*Call to Worship

When the tomb loom large before our eyes, remind us Lord, who we are: We are children of the resurrection; the place of death will not hold us. We are the painters of the rainbows; the shadow of death will not daunt us. We are the breakers of loaves and fishes; the taste of death will not defile us. We are the raisers of the dead; the power of death will not defy us. We are the people of the Pentecost; the spirit of death will not destroy us! God is our refuge and our strength. We gather in the power and sure promise of resurrection.

\*Hymn No. 338    *“O Beautiful For Spacious Skies”*

### \*Prayer of Confession

Almighty and most merciful Father, we have erred and strayed from Your ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against Your holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done; and we have done those things which we ought not to have done; and there is nothing good in us. O, Lord, have mercy upon us. Spare those, O God, who confess their faults. Restore those who are penitent; according to Your promises declared unto men in Christ Jesus our Lord. Grant that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life; to the glory of His name. Amen.

### \*Assurance of Grace

It was by faith that Abraham obeyed when God called him to leave home and go to another land that God would give him as his inheritance. He went without knowing where he was going. And even when he reached the land God promised him, he lived there by faith - for he was like a foreigner, living in tents. And so did Isaac and Jacob, who inherited the same promise. Abraham was confidently looking forward to a city with eternal foundations, a city designed and built by God.      -1-

\* **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

### Prayer for Illumination

### Responsive Reading

L: I will exalt you, my God and King, and praise Your name forever and ever..

**P: I will praise You every day; yes, I will praise You forever.**

L: Great is the Lord! He is most worthy of praise! No one can measure His greatness.

**P: Let each generation tell its children or Your mighty act, let them proclaim Your power.**

L: I will meditate on Your majestic; glorious splendor and Your wonderful miracles.

**P: Your awe-inspiring deeds will be on every tongue, I will proclaim your greatness.**

L: Everyone will share the story of Your wonderful goodness; they will sing with joy about Your righteousness.

**P: The Lord is merciful and compassionate, slow to get angry and filled with unfailing love.**

L: The Lord is good to everyone. He showers compassion on all his creation.

**P: All of Your works will thank you, Lord, and Your faithful followers will praise you.**

L: They will speak of the glory of Your kingdom; they will give examples of Your power.

**P: They will tell about Your mighty deeds and about the majesty and glory of Your reign.**

L: For Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom. You rule throughout all generations. The Lord always keeps his promises; He is gracious in all He does.

**P: The Lord helps the fallen and lifts those bent beneath their loads.**

L: The eyes of all look to You in hope; You give them their food as they need it.

**P: When You open Your hand, You satisfy the hunger and thirst of every living thing.**

L: The Lord is righteous in everything he does; he is filled with kindness.

**P: The Lord is close to all who call on Him, yes, to all who call on Him in truth.**

L: He grants the desires of those who fear Him; He hears their cries for help and rescues them.

**P: The Lord protects all those who love Him, but He destroys the wicked.**

**All: I will praise the Lord, and may everyone on earth bless His holy name forever and ever.**

Scripture Readings:	Deuteronomy 10:17-21	Pg. 209 OT
	Galatians 5:13-18	Pg. 232 NT

Sermon:	Independence Day	Larry Pedersen
---------	------------------	----------------

**\*Hymn No. 625**      *"O Lord My God"*

### **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.**

#### **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**

**Lord, this money is not payment for services rendered. These aren't our dues necessary for us to belong to this church. We know You made us with a purpose, and so now we give; on purpose. Freely offering to You the best of who we have, all that we are, all is Yours. In Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen.**

**\*Hymn No. 337**      *"America (My Country Tis of Thee)"*

#### **\*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**

---

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

First Presbyterian Church  
507-634-7481  
www.presbykasson.org

Church Secretary  
Ann Driver, 507-202-1632  
dashdriver54@gmail.com

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

**We THANK Mr. Larry Pederson for providing our service today.**

**Happy Independence Day!!**

**Wednesday Berne Pizza is Back - July 5th**

**"Vintage Tones" - 5 PM**

**"Branded: Hot Country" - 6:30**

**July Special Pizza.**

**CHICKEN, BACON, RANCH - Mozzarella, Chicken, Bacon, Onion,  
Tomato, Ranch Dressing**

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