



Sunday, October 1, 2023

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

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Brian Rohrs, Pianist

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Rev. Dr. Larry Boutelle

10:00 a.m.

We Approach God

Announcements

Prelude

***Call to Worship - Psalm 23:1-3 (in 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 path for his name's sake.

***Opening Prayer**

Creator God, we come to confirm our faith and hope in you. Open our eyes that have become weary with daily struggles. Strengthen legs that feel the weight of long hard days. Renew the hope that has faded with painful disappointments. Hold us in your arms, as we hold you in our hearts. Amen.

***Hymn No. 20** *“All Things Bright and Beautiful”*

***Prayer of Confession**

Jesus, you call us to love our neighbors. But we often fail to love our neighbors in other countries. And sometimes we struggle to love the neighbors who drive the cars that we must share the road with. And too often we fail to love the neighbors we do not agree with. Forgive our many failures, Jesus. Guide us to new ways to live and love our neighbors. Amen.

***Assurance of Pardon**

In God's loving mercy, Jesus was sent into the world, not only to teach us to love ... but to show us the depth of god's love for us. In Christ we are forgiven. Amen.

*** 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

Responsive Reading **Psalm 78:1-4, 12-16**

L: Give ear, O my people, to my teaching;

incline your ears to the words of my mouth.

P: I will open my mouth in a parable;

I will utter dark sayings from of old,

L: things that we have heard and known,

that our ancestors have told us.

P: We will not hide them from their children; we will tell to the coming generation the glorious deeds of the Lord, and his might, and the wonders that he has done.

L: In the sight of their ancestors he worked marvels

in the land of Egypt, in the fields of Zoan.

P: He divided the sea and let them pass through it, and made the waters stand like a heap.

L: In the daytime he led them with a cloud,

and all night long with a fiery light.

P: He split rocks open in the wilderness,

and gave them drink abundantly as from the deep.

All: He made streams come out of the rock,

and caused waters to flow down like rivers.

Scripture Reading:

Genesis 1:1-13

John 4:7-24

Pg. 1 OT

Pg. 115-116 NT

Sermon:

“Water”

Rev. Dr. Larry Boutelle

***Hymn No. 370** *“This Is My Father's World”*

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.

COMMUNION

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Great Thanksgiving

L: The Lord be with you.

P: And also with you.

L: Lift up your hearts!

P: We lift them up to the Lord.

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

P: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

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.

Breaking of the Bread

Communion of the People

Prayer After Communion

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 (Unison)**
Creator God, create in us the will to treasure what we have received from you. May we generously share your gifts with all creatures of this planet. Receive not only the gifts of our wallets, Lord, But the gifts of our work, and hopes, and dreams. Amen.

***Hymn No. 318** *"In Christ There is No East or West"*

*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.

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A LOVED ONE, OR A MEMBER IS IN NEED OF PRAYERS.
BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**We THANK
Rev. Dr. Larry Boutelle
for providing our service today.**

**Please keep our extra prayers for: Judy Gransee for continued healing,
Elaine Gransee and Ruth Allen for strength and healing.**

**Please Thank, Bob Gransee and Diane Krejci for their hard work this past
week in doing the fall clean up and maintenance.**

**October 5th the Fellowship Circle will meet at 9:30 and the PW meeting
will be October 19th at 6:00 PM**

Treasurer's Report:

Receipts August 2023	\$ 7,070.07
Expenses August 2023	\$ 2,094.21
Balance August 2023	\$ 4,975.86
Needed weekly	\$ 2,381.04
Needed monthly	\$ 10,317.85