



Sunday, October 15, 2023

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

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Brian Rohrs, Pianist

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Rev. Loren Olson

10:00 a.m

We Approach God

Announcements

Prelude

*Call to Worship (Responsively)

L: Look around at this wondrous world!

P: God's mighty acts in creation are magnificent!

L: Look around at the diversity of God's people!

P: Diversity is to be celebrated for we have much to learn from each other.

L: Come, let us offer praise and prayer to God.

P: Let us celebrate all God's goodness, for even in the midst of the horrible storm, God is with us. AMEN.

*Hymn No. 611 *"Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"*

*Prayer of Confession

God of infinite forgiveness, we implore you this day to forgive those many times in which we have turned our backs on you by turning away from the needs of the voiceless, the hopeless, the helpless. We let ourselves get distracted by schedules and activities which drain us of energy and enthusiasm. Light a fire under us, O God, that we may again feel the exciting challenge of being your people. Heal our wounds of indifference and apathy; bring us together in harmony and joy to serve you and your creation with peace, justice, and hope. It is in the name of your Son Jesus Christ, that we offer this prayer. AMEN.

*Assurance of Grace

Feel the powerful warmth of God's love for you! God is with you, healing and restoring your lives and bringing you peace. This is the good news from our persistent and patient God. 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 106:1-6**

L: Praise the Lord! O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; for his steadfast love endures forever.

P: Who can utter the mighty doings of the Lord, or declare all his praise?

L: Happy are those who observe justice, who do righteousness at all times.

P: Remember me, O Lord, when you show favor to your people; help me when you deliver them;

L: that I may see the prosperity of your chosen ones, that I may rejoice in the gladness of your nation, that I may glory in your heritage.

P: Both we and our ancestors have sinned; we have committed iniquity, have done wickedly

Scripture:	Exodus 32:1-14	Pg. 97-98 OT
	Philippians 4:1-9	Pg. 242 NT
	Matthew 22:1-14	Pg. 29-30 NT

Sermon: "The Joyful Way" Rev. Loren Olson

*Hymn No. 623 *"I've Got Peace Like A River"*

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**

For the wondrous gift of life, we are thankful, O God. Your generous outpouring of grace reminds us of the fruitful life we are called to bear. May these gifts of time and labour, therefore, embody our desire to share and contribute to your coming reign among us. Amen.

***Hymn No. 363** *“Rejoice, the Lord Is King”*

***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**

Treasurer's Report:

**We THANK
Rev. Loren Olson
for providing our service today.**

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



Hello Dodge County Partners, United Way of Dodge County is kicking off our annual campaign with our "Newsletter for Good" promotion.

Briefly, we are asking Dodge County residents to sign up to receive our free electronic newsletter. Then, each month during our campaign season (September- December), a subscriber will be selected randomly to choose one of our Dodge County Partners to receive an additional \$1,000. That means that YOUR organization could receive up to \$4,000 in additional support this fall! For every supporter who subscribes, you increase your chance of being selected. (This promotion is made possible by a generous Dodge County donor who wishes to remain anonymous.)

How to share with your clients/volunteers/supporters: Open the attached folder and you'll find our Social Media Toolkit. The folder contains graphics and text/messaging that you can post on your own social media and email to your supporters to encourage them to sign up. You'll notice we also included full size flyers and posters that you can print out and share around town. We recommend sending email communications and/or posting on social media at least a few times during the campaign season; drawings will take place at the end of each month.

The link to subscribe to the newsletter is included in the folder and can also be found here: unitedwayofdodgecountymn.org/stay-updated