



Sunday, March 2, 2024

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

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Brian Rohrs, Pianist

March 3, 2024

Pastor Loren Olson

10:00 a.m.

We Approach God

Announcements

Prelude

*Call to Worship

L: This is the third step on our Lenten Journey.

P: It is on this journey that we will face our greed and selfishness

L: It is on this journey that God will confront us.

P: Our hearts are ready to receive God.

L: Come, then, and let us move forward toward the Cross.

P: Let us faithfully and confidently follow Jesus. AMEN.

*Hymn No 22

"God of the Sparrow"

*Prayer of Confession

Patient Lord, we have cluttered the "temples" of our lives with so much unnecessary things that they have blocked out your healing words of hope and mercy. We have been keenly aware of our economic situation and have spent much time and energy worrying about these things. . Forgive us when we have been so preoccupied with these things that we have not listened to your words and followed your ways. Clear away our fears and frustrations. Give us clean hearts and spirits. Help us to be confident in your mercy and transformational love. These things we offer in the name of Jesus, the Christ. AMEN.

*Assurance of Grace

Rejoice! You are forgiven. Let the clutter of your life fall away and be replaced by the love of God in Christ Jesus. 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 19:1-14

L: The heavens are telling the glory of God;
and the firmament proclaims his handiwork.

**P: Day to day pours forth speech,
and night to night declares knowledge.**

L: There is no speech, nor are there words; their voice is not heard;

**P: yet their voice goes out through all the earth, and their words to the
end of the world. In the heavens he has set a tent for the sun,**

L: which comes out like a bridegroom from his wedding canopy,
and like a strong man runs its course with joy.

**P: Its rising is from the end of the heavens, and its circuit to the end of
them; and nothing is hidden from its heat.**

L: The law of the LORD is perfect, reviving the soul;
the decrees of the LORD are sure, making wise the simple;

**P: the precepts of the LORD are right, rejoicing the heart; the
commandment of the LORD is clear, enlightening the eyes;**

L: the fear of the LORD is pure, enduring for ever;
the ordinances of the LORD are true and righteous altogether.

**P: More to be desired are they than gold, even much fine gold;
sweeter also than honey, and drippings of the honeycomb.**

L: Moreover by them is your servant warned;
in keeping them there is great reward.

P: But who can detect their errors? Clear me from hidden faults.

L: Keep back your servant also from the insolent; do not let them have
dominion over me. Then I shall be blameless,
and innocent of great transgression.

**P: Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart
be acceptable to you,**

All: **O LORD, my rock and my redeemer.**

Scripture Reading: Exodus 20:1-17
1 Corinthians 1:18-25
John 2:13-22

Pg. 82-83 OT
Pg. 202 NT
Pg. 113 NT

Sermon: Cleansing Our Temple Rev. Loren Olson

***Hymn No. 264** *“At the Name of Jesus”*

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:**

To this day we rejoice that he came, he who can free us from all evil. Teach us to understand the way of the Cross, the way Jesus went. Grant that we may always follow him, even if we also suffer and have a cross to bear. Then we can joyfully go the way he went to the glory of your name, O Father in heaven.

***Hymn No 215** *“What Wondrous Love Is This”*

***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. Loren Olson for providing our service today.

Please keep our prayers for: Donna Dohrmann, Kristy Johnson, Carol Prenzlów, Elaine Gransee and Ruth Allen for strength and healing.

Treasurer’s Report:

Receipts January 2024	\$	5,045.50
Expenses January 2024	\$	2,801.56
Balance January 2024	\$	2,243.94
Needed weekly	\$	2,149.70
Needed monthly	\$	9,315.34