



Sunday, August 11, 2024

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

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Brian Rohr - Music

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Pastor Loren Olson

9:00 AM

We Approach God

Announcements

Prelude

***Call to Worship**

L: We are hungering and thirsting for hope and peace.

P: Come, Lord Jesus, come.

L: Our hearts long for the nourishing presence of God.

P: Come, Lord Jesus, come.

L: Give to us the living bread of your peace that we may hunger no more.

P: Open our hearts to joyfully receive your life-sustaining love.

AMEN.

***Hymn No. 15** *“All Creatures of Our God and King”*

***Prayer of Confession**

Lord, we want the easy way out! When things go wrong, we want to find who to blame for our misfortune. When we don't get what we want, we want to punish whoever prevents us from our goals and desires. We don't want to look at the ways in which we have perverted your love for us. We treat you as though you are a puppet who will dance to our demands. We act like spoiled children who want everything immediately, and who will become sullen and spiteful if we don't get what we ask for. We stopped listening to you. Systems of greed and injustice replaced your command to "love one another". And now we come to you, asking for forgiveness and healing. Our hearts and lives are empty without your love. Our spirits wither and die in this greedy wasteland. Give to us your life-sustaining bread. Heal our souls. Help us to truly worship you and to willingly work for healing and hope in this world. We ask these things in Jesus' Name, AMEN.

***Assurance of Grace**

L: God has heard your cries and knows your anguish. In Jesus Christ, you are loved and forgiven.

P: Praise be to God who forgives us all in the name of God's beloved Son! 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

Prayer of Illumination

Responsive Reading: **Psalm 130:1-8**

L: Out of the depths I cry to you, O LORD.

P: Lord, hear my voice! Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my supplications!

L: If you, O LORD, should mark iniquities, Lord, who could stand?

P: But there is forgiveness with you, so that you may be revered.

L: I wait for the LORD, my soul waits, and in his word I hope;

P: my soul waits for the Lord

more than those who watch for the morning,

more than those who watch for the morning.

L: O Israel, hope in the LORD!

For with the LORD there is steadfast love,

and with him is great power to redeem.

P: It is he who will redeem Israel from all its iniquities.

Scripture Readings: 2 Samuel 18:5-9, 15, 31-33 Pg 363-364 OTP
Ephesians 4:25-5:2 Pg 237 NT
John 6:35, 41-51 Pg 119-120 NT

Sermon: Imitator or Imitation Pastor Loren Olson

***Hymn No. 738** *“O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee”*

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:

**God of boundless love, in this sacred moment of giving, we come
before you, recognizing your unwavering compassion and tender
mercy. As we offer our gifts, we also lift our hearts in prayer for all
who are burdened with pain and uncertainty. May your healing
touch reach those in need and may your love bring comfort and
strength to troubled hearts. We entrust our prayers to you, knowing
that you hear and respond with boundless grace. Amen.**

***Hymn No. 835** *"Just A Closer Walk with 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.

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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:**

Please keep our prayers for: Elaine Gransee, Ruth Allen, Donna Dohrman,
Joyce Olson, Dick Wolff, and Joan Springsted for strength and healing.

Mark your calendars:

August 9 - 11
August 13-18
Wed. August 14
August 20
Aug 22 - Sept 2
Aug. 26 - 30

Festival in the Park
Steele County Fair - Owatonna
Berne Wood-Fired Pizza
Session Meeting @ 5:30 PM
Minnesota State Fair
Meals on Wheels

Treasurer's Report:

Receipts July 2024	\$	5,144.00
Expenses July 2024	\$	14,312.62
Balance July 2024	\$	(9,168.62)
Needed weekly	\$	2,149.70
Needed monthly	\$	9,315.34