

ASSISTING WITH WORSHIP THIS WEEK

Preacher:	Rev. Leanne Thompson
Liturgist:	Rev. Scott Thompson
Organist:	Megan Gilles
Projectionist:	Deb Grunwald
Sound Tech:	Terry Woitaszewski
Nursery Supervisor:	Erica Boeyink
Valet Parking:	Sue Schiro
Ushers & Greeters:	Mel and Michele Odens
Counters:	Chuck and Karen Stern
Fellowship:	Barb Little and Betty Knutson



Welcome to worship! We are glad you are here to worship God and spend time with your family of faith. As we worship together this morning, here are some things to know:

- **Children are welcome in worship!** We appreciate their curiosity, their wonder, and even their noise. We want children to know that they are welcome in God's house and in God's family. As a ministry to parents, **a nursery is provided for children birth-1st grade.** Children are invited to stay in worship through the Children's Blessing before going to the nursery. Activity pages and play bags are available for children during worship.
- **Copies of the sermon are available** in manuscript form at the back of the sanctuary each week. If you have difficulty hearing the sermon, you are welcome to pick up a copy of the manuscript to follow along during worship.
- **We sing hymns from three songbooks located in the pews:** PH = large blue "Presbyterian Hymnal"; SF = small blue "Sing the Faith" songbook; SH = spiral-bound "Songs from the Heart."

First Presbyterian Church

Willmar, MN

August 12, 2018



WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

**Please rise as you are able.*

*Please join in speaking **bolded** text.*

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

***CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 51 and Lamentations 3)**

One: O Lord, open my lips,

All: and my mouth shall proclaim your praise.

One: The Lord's unfailing love and mercy never cease,

All: fresh as the morning and sure as the sunrise.

HYMN #276 (PH)

"Great is Thy Faithfulness"

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

One: The proof of God's amazing love is this: while we were still sinners Christ died for us. Because we have faith in him, we dare to approach God with confidence. Trusting in God's grace, let us confess our sin.

All: **O Lord, our God, you call us to proclaim the gospel, but we remain silent in the presence of evil. You call us to be reconciled to you and one another, but we are content to live in separation. You call us to seek the good of all, but we fail to resist the powers of oppression. You call us to fight pretensions and injustice, but we sit idly by, endangering the lives of people far and near. Forgive us, O Lord. Reconcile us to you by the power of your Spirit, and give us the courage and strength to be reconciled to others; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Savior.**

~ Silence for Reflection ~

One: Our righteousness is found in Christ alone, a gift of God by faith. Beloved people of God, believe the good news: through the grace of Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

THE PEACE

One: The Peace of Christ be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

HYMN #347 (PH)

"Forgive Our Sins as We Forgive"

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Luke 19:1-10

One: This is the word of our Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

CHILDREN'S BLESSING "Zacchaeus"

Zacchaeus was a wee little man, a wee little man was he.

He climbed up in a sycamore tree, for the Lord he wanted to see.

And as the Savior passed that way, he looked up in the tree, and he said,

"Zacchaeus, you come down, for I'm going to your house today.

For I'm going to your house today."

MESSAGE

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE 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.

PRESENTING OUR TITHES & OFFERINGS

MUSICAL OFFERING

*DOXOLOGY #592 (PH)

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God, all creatures here below;

Praise God above, ye heavenly host;

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

WE LEAVE TO SERVE

*HYMN #358 (PH)

"Help Us Accept Each Other"

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

SUMMER SERMON SERIES – SUNDAY SCHOOL'S GREATEST HITS

8/19 Jesus Teaches the Disciples to Pray

8/26 The Prodigal Son

9/2 The Good Samaritan