

First Presbyterian Church Pipestone, Minnesota

Happy Labor Day
September 5, 2021 – 10:00 AM

Prelude :

Ringing of the bell :

Welcome : Donna Flint

Announcement : Emily Speer

Opening Hymn #288: I Sing the Mighty Power of God

Call to worship :

Leader : God is with us. He dwells in our midst.

Listen and hear God speak.

People : We wait upon the Lord so that he

may renew our strength and hope.

Leader : God is our help and our support. His

spirit moves among us.

People : With joyful hearts let us sing God's

praise.

All : With open arms, let us worship God.

Prayer of Confession:

(Unison)

God, we suffer, we fear, and we feel despair and it becomes all too easy for us to focus only on the negative things in life, instead of celebrating all that you provide that is positive and good, instead of recognizing that You are always in our corner. Remind us that You are working for us, that You love us, and that You bring us hope. Forgive us for asking "how long, God" instead of asking "how can I help, God." Redirect our wayward hearts, Lord. Refocus our wandering minds. Remind us of the hope we have in you, for your love and mercies are without end. To your glory forever and ever we shout Amen.

(Silence for reflection and self-examination)

Gloria Patri : (Please Stand)

Scripture Reading: Lamentations 3: 19-26

Psalm 13

James 5: 7-11

Hymn #276 : Great is Thy Faithfulness

Gospel : Matthew 6: 25-27, 33-34

Prayer for Illumination:

Calm us now, O Lord, into a quietness that listens and learns. Open tired and wounded hearts to the balm of your Word. Speak to us in clear tones so that we might feel our spirits leap for joy and skip with hope as your Word is revealed to us. Amen.

Message : How Do We Get There From Here

Donna Flint

Hymn (See Insert) : It is Well With My Soul

Affirmation of Faith: Taken from the Brief Confession of Faith (1983) We trust in God the Holy Spirit everywhere the giver and renewer of life. The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith, sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor, and binds us together with all believers in the one body of Christ, the Church. In a broken and fearful world the Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing, to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior, and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace. In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives, even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth, praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!" With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Prayers of the People & 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. 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 and ever. Amen.

Offering : (Please place offering in plate by back door)

Doxology : (Please Stand)

Prayer of Dedication : (*Please Stand*)

Dear Lord, we give back to you in thankfulness what you have given to us in kindness. We dedicate this money, Lord, for the work of the church, and we ask you to use all that we have and all that we are in your service. **Amen.**

Hymn #379 : My Hope is Built on Nothing Less

Charge & Benediction : (*Please Stand*)

The blessing of the one God—Spirit, Son, and Father—be with you now and always. **Alleluia!** *Ephesians 4:4–6*

Lead a life worthy of your calling, giving glory to God in all things. **Amen.** *Ephesians 4:1*

Postlude :



ANNOUCEMENT September 5, 2021

1. Pastoral Nominating Committee

The PNC has met to begin work to find a pastor. They are in the beginning stages of their work and need your prayers at this time.

2. Usher/Greeters Sign-Ups

If you would like to volunteer to be an usher or greeter for Sunday services, please let the office or Janet Bush know. We will start calling potential ushers/greeters as we get into September.

3. Fellowship Sign-Ups

Please sign up for the fellowship. Fellowship Sign-ups are in the Fellowship Hall.

4. Book Club Starting September 12th

We will be starting a book club on Sept 12 at 9:00AM. It will be the second Sunday of each month. On September 12th, we will be getting the first book and having coffee with cookies. Everyone is welcome.

5. Ernie Couch & Revival Concert September 19th

Nashville Gospel musicians Ernie Couch & Revival are coming to First Presbyterian on September 19th at 6:00PM to play a concert. All in the community are invited to attend.

6. Special Offering for Presbyterian Relief September 19th

Presbyterian Disaster Assistance is responding to the devastating 7.2 magnitude

that struck Haiti the morning of August 14, 2021 that has resulted in the loss of more than 1,200 lives. Working closely with Presbyterian World Mission, our traditional partners on the ground and ACT Alliance, PDA is responding to emergency needs such as WASH (water, sanitation and hygiene), emergency power generators, shelter, food, first aid and more. If you would like a chance to donate to the relief efforts, we will be having a special offering on September 19th.

7. Annual Trunk or Treat

Trunk or Treat donations will be taken September 26th and October 17th. If you would like to donate at a different time, please add "Trunk or Treat" to your memo. Trunk or Treat 2021 is on Thursday, October 28th.

8. JAM Starting on September 22nd

JAM will start on September 22nd instead of September 15th. JAM is open to kids aged 3 years old up through 6th grade. The first JAM meeting will be September 22nd at 6:00PM.

9. Fall Kick-Off Lunch September 26th

Come join us on September 26th after church for our Fall Kick-Off. We'll have BBQ, chips, bars, and door prizes available for people to sign up. We hope to have a great turn out and are excited to see more people come to "in person" church!

10. Directory Photos on September 26th

We will be taking directory family photos on September 26th. There will be an opportunity to purchase photos. More details will come as we get closer.

11. Organ/Piano Duet Concert for the Senior Citizens on September 30th The Organ/Piano Duet Concert for the Senior Citizens has been postponed to September 30, 2021 at 1:30PM.

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It Is Well with My Soul



Horatio G. Spafford, 1873

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