

July 2, 2023; 9:00 am
Eighth Sunday of Ordinary Time
Communion

We Gather Together

Prelude *Prelude and Fugue in C Major* *Johann Sebastian Bach*

Welcome & Announcements *Carol Wetzel*

Ringing of the Bell and entrance of the Light of Christ

***Call to Worship [Psalm 105]** *Carol Wetzel*

Give thanks to God and call on God's name.

Sing to God; sing praises to God!

Make known God's deeds among the people.

Sing to God; sing praises to God!

Seek God's presence and God's strength.

Sing to God; sing praises to God!

Let us worship our God, for God is faithful.

***Sung Response GTG 353 "My Hope is Built on Nothing Less"**
Cheryl Clarenbach, Cantor

***Call to Confession** *Pastor Ken Nabi*

As we try to grow toward righteousness,
we present ourselves to God in a spirit of honesty,
naming where we still obey sin and death
instead of goodness and life.

***Prayer of Confession**

**God who provides our every need,
you have given us countless gifts.
You have welcomed us for all of who we are.**

**You have showered us with steadfast love.
You have freely given us eternal life in Christ Jesus.
We do not deserve these gifts.
We take them and squander them.
We continue to trust ourselves more than we trust you.
We fail to embrace others as you have embraced us.
Accept our confession.
Be our glory and our strength for the days to come,
our strength, shield, and deliverer.**

*Silent Confession
(In the silence of our hearts we confess our sins to God.)*

***Assurance of Pardon**

Carol Wetzel

Part of God's provision for all of us
is a well of forgiveness that never runs dry.
Thanks be to God! Amen.

***Sharing God's Peace**

Carol Wetzel

The Peace of Christ be with you! **And also, with you!**

(Please share the Peace of Christ with those around you using the ancient formula 'The Peace of Christ.' 'And also, with you.' Please be mindful of those who do not wish to shake hands or be too close. We encourage you to use this time to send a text or emoji to someone who cannot be here.)

***Sung Response GTG 582 "Glory to God... "**

God's Word Is Proclaimed

Epistle Lesson Galatians 6:14 (page 191)

Pastor Ken Nabi

Children's Time

Jolene Schry

***Sung Response: PH 84 “In the Cross of Christ I Glory”**

Sermon “What is the Basis of Hope”

Pastor Ken Nabi

We Respond to God’s Word

Minute for Mission – Loaves and Fishes

Sue Baker, Serving Team

Offering The Solid Rock

arr. by Sandra W. Jarrell

***Offertory PH 592 “Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow”**

***Offertory Prayer**

Pastor Ken Nabi

Sacrament of Holy Communion

GTG 507 “Come to the Table of Grace” (Remain seated, we sing this song as the table is being prepared for communion)

The Apostle’s Creed

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.**

**On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,**

is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic** church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

(**universal)

The Lord is here.
God's Spirit is with us.

Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to offer thanks and praise.

It is our duty and our joy
to give you thanks and praise, O God,
creator and sustainer of the universe.

We give you thanks
for sun and clouds, for rain and snow,
for phases of the moon, for stars at night,
and planets in their courses.
All you make is very good.

For the universe we praise you,
we worship and adore you.

We give you thanks
for our creation and our calling,

**for friendship and community,
for love and laughter,
for tears and pain of growth.**

For your gift of life we praise you,
we worship and adore you.

We give you thanks with those who went before us,
with saints and martyrs,
evangelists and prophets.

With all who stand before you in earth and heaven,
from every culture, land and tongue,
we praise you, giving voice to every creature,
as we join the never ending hymn:

Holy, Holy, Holy

Glory to God #552

1. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,
God of pow - er and might,
heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry.
Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The musical score is written on four staves in G major (one flat) and 4/4 time. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with a final double bar line at the end of the fourth staff.

TEXT: Trad. liturgical text
MUSIC (LAND OF REST): American folk melody; adapt. Marcia Pruner, 1980; arr. Richard Proulx, 1984; adapt. © 1980 Church Pension Fund; arr. © 1986 GIA Publications, Inc.

2. Bless - ed is he who comes
in the name of the Lord.
Ho - san - na in the high - est,
ho - san - na in the high - est.

The image shows a musical score for the hymn 'Holy, Holy, Holy'. It consists of four staves of music in G major (one flat) and 4/4 time. The lyrics are: '2. Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.' The music features a simple melody with some phrasing slurs and a final double bar line.

Blessed are you, most Holy, in Jesus Christ,
who came among us as a servant and a friend
to reconcile us to yourself.

**We thank you for that life of love,
the good news of your reign,
and the promise of a banquet
where all your children shall be free.**

For your gift of Christ we praise you
we worship and adore you.

To you indeed be glory, almighty God,
because on the night before he died,
your Son, Jesus Christ, took bread;
when he had given you thanks,
he broke it, gave it to his disciples, and said:

Take, eat, this is my body
which is given for you;
do this to remember me.

After supper he took the cup;
when he had given you thanks,
he gave it to them and said:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood
poured out for you;
do this as often as you drink it
to remember me.

For new life in Christ we praise you,
we worship and adore you.

Christ Has Died; Christ Is Risen

Glory to God #553

The musical score consists of four staves of music in G major and 4/4 time. The first two staves form the first line of the hymn, and the last two staves form the second line. The lyrics are: 'Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.' The melody is simple and folk-like, with a mix of quarter, eighth, and half notes. The first line ends with a double bar line, and the second line also ends with a double bar line.

Christ has died; Christ is risen;
Christ will come again.
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Therefore, loving God,
recalling now Christ's death and resurrection,
we ask you to accept
this our sacrifice of praise.

**Send your Holy Spirit upon us
and our celebration,
that we may be fed with the body and blood of your Son
and be filled with your life and goodness.**

**Strengthen us to do your work,
and to be your body in the world.
Unite us in Christ
and give us your peace.**

For the peace of Christ we praise you,
we worship and adore you.

Through Christ our Redeemer,
in the power of the Spirit,
we worship you, O God,
in songs of everlasting praise.

**Blessing, honor and glory be yours,
here and everywhere,
now and forever. Amen.**

Prayers of the People

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.
Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who have sinned against us.
And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever.
Amen.**

***Sung Response PH 371 "Lift High the Cross"**

***Charge and Benediction**

Pastor Ken Nabi

Postlude "Crucifer"

arr. by Paul Manz

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What is the Basis of Hope

Ken Nabi, Regional President of Converge Great Lakes

The hope producing center of Christian identity is found in the cross alone.

The Context of Galatians

- **Paul's first letter**
- **Judaizer's control**
- **Keep the main thing the main thing**

Boasting in the Cross

- **"Far be it from me..."**
- **"to boast except..."**
- **Not what does it do FOR you, but what does it do TO you?**
- **1 Cor. 2:1-2** "And I, when I came to you, brothers, I did not come proclaiming to you the testimony of God with lofty speech or wisdom. **For I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ and him crucified.**"
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- **More than any other label, I am first and foremost...**

Dying to the World

- **"...by which the world is crucified to me and I to the world."**
 - The world is dead to me
 - I am dead to the world
- **Luke 9:23-24**

Key Application: My self identity

*Biography - Pastor Nabi graduated with a Master of Arts degree from Trinity Evangelical Divinity School in the Chicago suburbs (this is the seminary of the Evangelical Free Church). He became a pastor in 1995 and was ordained by Converge Great Lakes local church in 2003 or 2004. He has completed coursework (Bethel University/Seminary in Minneapolis/St Paul MN) toward a Doctoral degree and is currently working on his Dissertation.

He was a licensed Christian marriage and family therapist from 1989-1997. He served as a pastor in a local church in Fond du Lac from 1995-2016 (He started as an Associate and became the Senior pastor in 2002.)

Since stepping down, he served as the Regional President of Converge Great Lakes, working with 115 churches in WI and the UP of MI.

July Deacon of the Month
Debby Lorenz

July Elder of the Month
Sue Baker

Information @ Church

The July issue of Information @ Church will be available on July 3, on our website www.fdlpresbyterian.org. Those without email will receive a copy in the mail. Copies will also be available in the Narthex.

This Week at Church

Sunday

07.02

9:00-10:00am

Worship / Communion – Pastor Ken Nabi*
Carol Wetzel will lead communion.

10:15am

Fellowship Time

10:15-11:15am

Growing Connections

10:30-11:30am

Quilts of Valor – Ruth Park is hosting. – Fellowship Hall
Worship Team

Monday

07.03

10:00-11:00am

Staff Meeting

Tuesday

07.04

Independence Day – Church Office will be closed.

Wednesday

07.05

8:00-9:00am

Men's Breakfast

1:00-2:00pm

Personnel Team

Thursday

07.06

1:00-2:00pm

Serving Team

2:15-3:15pm

Growing Connections Planning

Saturday

07.08

9:00-12:00pm

Table Tennis

9:00-12:00pm

Benson Picnic

Sunday

07.09

9:00-10:00am

Worship – Reverend Richard Moore

After Worship

Congregational Meeting – to elect officers

After Meeting

Growing Connections

After Meeting

Jennifer Zander will lead a discussion about
Loaves and Fishes.

PRAYERS

Brian C.	Jerry and Mary H.
Gary G.	Chastity G. *****and Joan S.
Pat D.	Jolene S. – Sister and her husband
Gib D.	Lynn K.
Arnold L.***	Sheryl B.*
Jesse F.	Lynn M. *****
Silas W.	Paige T.**
Carol S.****	Jane D.
Liam A.	Ollive & Bob Block
Burt M.	

*Sheryl B. is having shoulder surgery at the end of July. Sheryl said, “Love the church family and all the support they give.”

**Paige had surgery on Monday, June 26, at UW Madison Children’s Hospital. After her surgery, she will begin 3-4 weeks of physical therapy.

***Arnold L. – Why not give Arnold a call or stop to see him. He loves company!

****Carol S. is dealing with sciatica pain. The discomfort is really impacting her mobility.

*****Lynn M. is recovering from surgery.

*****Chastity G. is recovering from gallbladder surgery. She is doing well.

If you haven’t seen someone in church for a while, why not give them a call or send a card? Maybe you could plan to visit? It is the small things that bring the biggest smile to people’s faces.

E-Giving

Consider giving electronically. It's easy, convenient, and secure. You can sign-up on our website www.fdlpresbyterian.org. Click on 'Giving'. (You can change your giving at any time.) We are so very thankful for those of you who tithe or give regularly to our church. Your contributions help us do God's work.

Please take a moment to thank those who help make our service run smoothly. Because of them, we are able to worship God well.

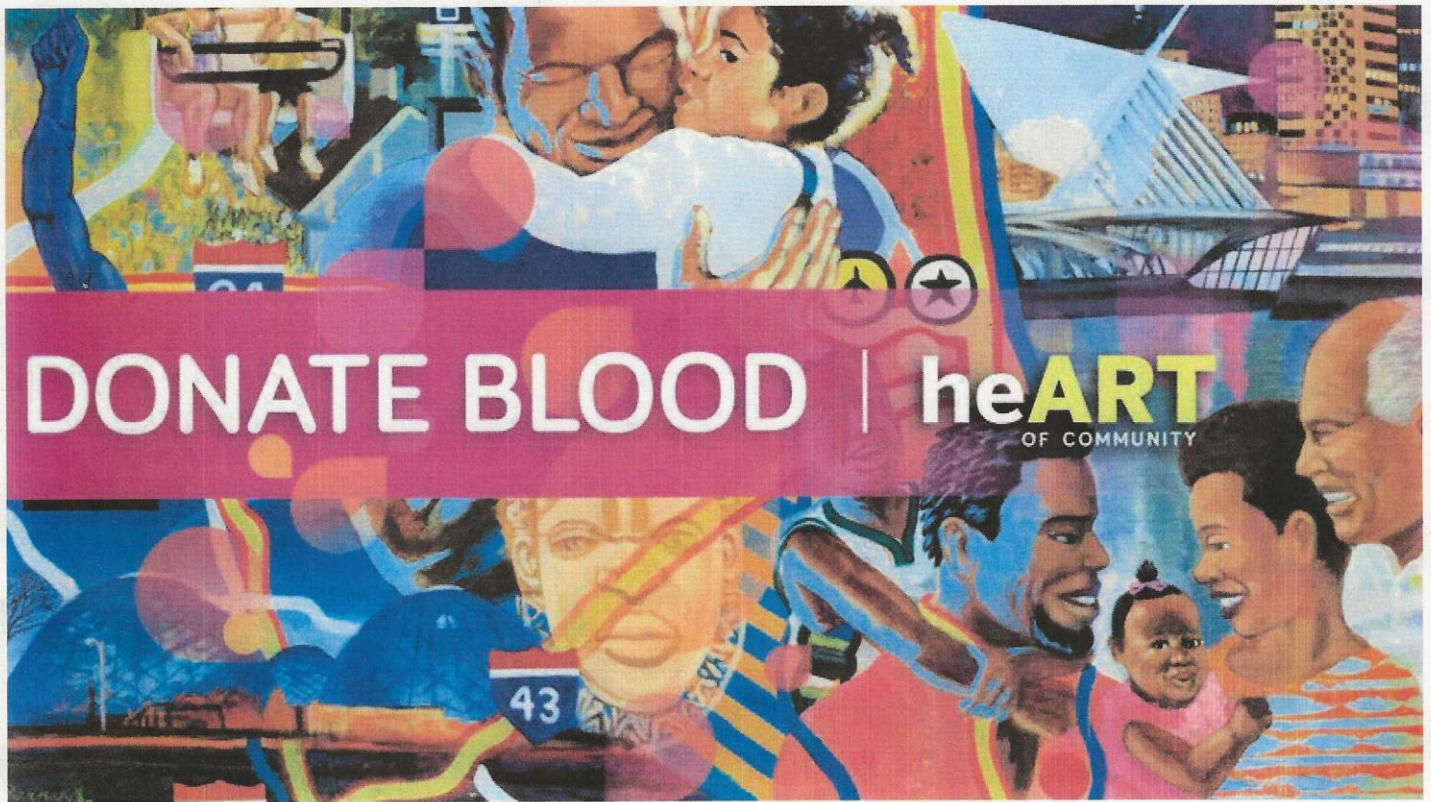
Weekly Statistics

<u>DATE</u>	<u>ATTENDANCE</u>	<u>WEEKLY INCOME</u>	<u>NOTES</u>	
JUNE 25, 2023	66 IN THE SEATS	\$2,805.00	OFFERINGS/TITHES	
06/19--06/23/2023		\$491.00	VANCO-ONLINE OFFERINGS	
		\$3,296.00	TOTAL INCOME FOR THE WEEK	
6/25/2023	4 Households		ATTENDANCE FOR THE LIVE STREAMING SERVICE 06/25/2023	

"These Days" Devotionals

"These Days" devotionals are still available. The April and July issues are on the table outside the office (They are printed quarterly.) Here is a testimonial from a consistent reader:

"These Days" devotionals are awesome! They are great little pieces. It's what you put into studying them that gives you the most out of them. The daily Bible verses are frequently part of our Sunday reading! So, if you have already studied them (and there are marvelous Biblical helps with a quick Google search) you get even more from Sunday Worship! GK



**Wednesday
July**

12

2:00 PM – 6:00 PM

**Helpful tip:
Make sure to eat a healthy
meal and drink plenty of
water before donating.**



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