

September 24, 2023; 9:00 am
20th Sunday of Ordinary Time

We Gather Together

Prelude: "Open the Eyes of My Heart" *arr. by Phillip Keveren*

Welcome & Announcements *Cathy Wolfe*

Ringing of the Bell and entrance of the Light of Christ

***Call to Worship**

We will sing to God
and bless God's name forever and ever.
Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised!

We will declare God's mighty acts
and celebrate God's abundant goodness.
**Let us worship, singing of God's
righteousness.**

*** Opening Prayer (Matthew 21, Philippians 2)**

Gracious Lord,
how shall we do your will today?
Will it be in acts of praise, in gifts shared,
in prayers lifted?
Who will you lead us to serve?
Help us trust you.
Help us listen.
Bless this community
as we come together in worship.
**Encourage us, comfort us, unite us,
make our joy complete. Amen.**

***Sung Response:** GTG #291 "Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness"
Nancy Pitzen, Cantor

***Call to Confession**

We try to live our lives in a manner worthy
of Christ.

**We try to stand firm in God's spirit,
but our human self-interest gets the better of us.**

In humility and faith,
let us confess.

***Prayer of Confession**

God of generosity,

we find ourselves bitter

when faced with your abundant grace.

We believe ourselves more deserving than others.

**We nurse our anger and resentment at those you forgive,
instead of rejoicing in the abundant love you show.**

Forgive us when we wish your grace was scarce.

Forgive the double standards we hold.

Help us to know that we are all in need of your grace,

and help us rejoice as we all gratefully receive your mercy.

Silent Confession

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

***Assurance of Pardon**

The grace of God is boundless,
poured out freely for all of us.

**We will receive this gift of forgiveness,
and trust God to transform our lives!**

***Sharing God's Peace**

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:** PH 577 “Glory Be to the Father”

God’s Word Is Proclaimed

New Testament: John 3:10-4:11 (Page 94)

New Testament: Matthew 20:12-16 (Page 22)

Children’s Time

Katy Johnston

Sermon: “The Grumpy Prophet”

Chaplain Evan Stark

Sung response: PH #341 “Blessed Assurance, Jesus is Mine!”

We Respond to God’s Word

Minute for Mission: Peace and Global Mission Offering

Serving Team, Sue Baker

Offering: “Blessed Assurance, Jesus is Mine” *arr. by Sandra W. Jarrell*

***Offertory:** GTG 609 “Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow”

(TUNE: Lasst Uns Erfreuen)

***Offertory Prayer**

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:** GTG# 80 "You Shall Go Out With Joy"

***Charge and Benediction**

Postlude: "Assurance"

arr. by J. Bert Carlson

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October Deacon of the Month
Amber Summerhil

October Elder of the Month
Dave Erickson

This Week at Church

Sunday	09.24
9:00-10:00am	Worship – Chaplain Evan Stark
10:15am	Fellowship Time
10:20-11:15am	Growing Connections
• Adults	Challenge Day - Parlor
• 8 th -12 th Grade	Challenge Day – Parlor
• 4 th – 7 th Grade	Room 3
• Preschool – 3 rd Grade	Room 8
6:00-7:30pm	Boy Scout Meeting
Monday	9.25
10:00-11:00am	Staff Meeting
Wednesday	09.27
8:00-9:00am	Men’s Breakfast
4:00-6:00pm	Loaves and Fishes
4:30-5:30pm	Bell Choir
Thursday	09.28
	Presbytery Meeting
9:00-10:30am	Finance Team
Friday	09.29
1:00-3:00pm	Personnel Team
Saturday	09.30
9:00-12:00pm	Table Tennis
3:00-8:00pm	AA Anniversary
Sunday	10.01- Communion Sunday
9:00-10:00am	Worship – Pastor Rebecca Proefrock
10:15	Fellowship Time
10:20-11:15am	Growing Connections – Hope is on the Block
1:00-3:00pm	AA Planning Meeting
6:00-7:00pm	Boy Scout Committee Meeting
6:00-7:30pm	Boy Scouts

Looking Ahead

Worship	October 8 - Chaplain Darren Beachy
Worship	October 15 – Pr. Dan Schultz
Worship	October 22 - Chaplain Darren Beachy
Worship	October 29 - Chaplain Evan Stark

PRAYERS

Brian C.	**John B.
Pat D.	Chastity G. and Joan S.
Gib D.	Jolene S. – Sister and her husband
Arnold L.	Lynn K.
Jesse F.	Jane D. – She is home.
Silas W.*	Ashley K.
Liam A.	Sue and Mark - They are friends of the Christie's.
Burt M.	Presbyterian Nominating Committee (PNC)
Jerry and Mary H.	

*Please keep Silas and his family in your prayers. Silas is home with his family and now on Hospice Care.

** John was hospitalized. He is now home and breathing better.

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If you have articles or announcements for the newsletter, please email them to the church office by September 27:
fdloffice@fdlpresbyterian.org.

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

Weekly Statistics

DATE	ATTENDANCE	WEEKLY INCOME	NOTES
SEPTEMBER 17, 2023	75 IN THE SEATS	\$690.00	OFFERINGS/TITHES-OUTDOOR SERVICE
09/11--15/2023		\$2,366.00	VANCO-ONLINE OFFERINGS
		\$3,056.00	TOTAL INCOME FOR THE WEEK
9/17/2023	0 Households		0-HOUSEHOLDS VIEWED THE ZOOM SERVICE FOR 09/17/2023 SERVICE WAS OUTDOORS-NOT ZOOMED



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Blood Center of Wisconsin

BLOOD DRIVE

October 19 2:00-6:00pm

Make a difference in our community by donating at the First Presbyterian Church Blood Drive.

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WE NEED YOUR HELP**



STEPS TO VOLUNTEER:

- 1) SCAN LINK AND REGISTER
- 2) FILL OUT AVAILABILITY
- 3) HELP SPREAD THE WORD
- 4) GET OTHERS INVOLVED
- 5) ATTEND TRAINING SESSION

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