June 23, 2024; 9:00 am

We Gather Together

Welcome to today's Service of Worship. Whether you are with us in person, joining us live on zoom, watching on our YouTube channel, or listening on KFIZ, we are glad you are here. For those in person, please use the time before worship to fill in the Friendship Pad in your pew. We extend a special welcome to our visitors, and if you have not already received your welcome gift, please pick one up as you leave the sanctuary after worship.

Copies of the Glory to God hymnal and Common English Bibles are available at the back of the sanctuary for your use during worship.

Prelude: "Take My Life and Let It Be w/Sanctuary"

arr. by Carol Tornquist

Rev. Dr. Craig Alwin

Welcome & Announcements

Ringing of the Bell and entrance of the Light of Christ

*Call to Worship (based on Psalm 9) Seek God; know God; trust God, O people. Sing praises to the Lord, who dwells in Zion. Declare God's deeds among the people, for the needy are remembered, the poor have hope. Sing praises to the Lord, who dwells in Zion.

* **Opening Prayer**

Lord, we have come this day, seeking your presence and healing love. Be with us as we hear the words of hope and compassion. Give us courage to learn and grow that we might serve you faithfully all of our days. AMEN.

*Sung Response: GTG 175 "Seek Ye First"

Linda D. & Jonathan P., Cantor

Carol W.

*Call to Confession

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. In humility and faith, let us confess our sin to God.

*Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you by seeking your ways in all of our actions. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.

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

Lord, in your mercy, forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

*Assurance of Pardon

Hear the good news! Who is in a position to condemn? Only Christ, and Christ died for us, Christ rose for us, Christ reigns in power for us, Christ prays for us. Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation. The old life has gone; a new life has begun. Know that you are forgiven and be at peace. Amen.

*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: GTG 581 "Glory Be to the Father"

Carol W.

Carol W.

God's Word Is Proclaimed

Psalm Reading: Psalm 107:1-3, 23-32 (Common English Bible)

(page 559 in the pew Bible, page 750 in the Common English Bible)

"Give thanks to the Lord because he is good, because his faithful love lasts forever!" That's what those who are redeemed by the Lord say, the ones God redeemed from the power of their enemies, the ones God gathered from various countries, from east and west, north and south. Some of the redeemed had gone out on the ocean in ships, making their living on the high seas. They saw what the Lord had made; they saw his wondrous works in the depths of the sea. God spoke and stirred up a storm that brought the waves up high. The waves went as high as the sky; they crashed down to the depths. The sailors' courage melted at this terrible situation. They staggered and stumbled around like they were drunk. None of their skill was of any help. So they cried out to the Lord in their distress, and God brought them out safe from their desperate circumstances. God quieted the storm to a whisper: the sea's waves were hushed. So they rejoiced because the waves had calmed down; then God led them to the harbor they were hoping for. Let them thank the Lord for his faithful love and his wondrous works for all people. Let them exalt God in the congregation of the people and praise God in the assembly of the elders.

4

Scripture Reading: 2 Corinthians 6:1-13 (Common English Bible)

(page 181 in the pew Bible, page 1409 in the Common English Bible)

Since we work together with him, we are also begging you not to receive the grace of God in vain. He says, I listened to you at the right time, and I helped you on the day of salvation. Look, now is the right time! Look, now is the day of salvation!

We don't give anyone any reason to be offended about anything so that our ministry won't be criticized. Instead, we commend ourselves as ministers of God in every way. We did this with our great endurance through problems, disasters, and stressful situations. We went through beatings, imprisonments, and riots. We experienced hard work, sleepless nights, and hunger. We displayed purity, knowledge, patience, and generosity. We served with the Holy Spirit, genuine love, telling the truth, and God's power. We carried the weapons of righteousness in our right hand and our left hand. We were treated with honor and dishonor and with verbal abuse and good evaluation. We were seen as both fake and real, as unknown and well known, as dying and look, we are alive! We were seen as punished but not killed, as going through pain but always happy, as poor but making many rich, and as having nothing but owning everything.

Corinthians, we have spoken openly to you, and our hearts are wide open. There are no limits to the affection that we feel for you. You are the ones who placed boundaries on your affection for us. But as a fair trade—I'm talking to you like you are children—open your hearts wide too.

Children's Time

Sermon: "Open Hearts or Empty Grace"

Sung response: GTG 840 "When Peace Like a River"

Jennifer Zander

Rev. Dr. Craig Alwin

We Respond to God's Word

The Practice of Gratitude

In response to God's Word and remembering all things come from God, we offer with thanks a portion of that which God has entrusted to us. The ushers will collect God's tithes and our offerings. For those who have given in other forms, there are cards in the pew racks that you may use as a tangible action of gratitude to God. No matter what we return to God in material forms, may we spiritually place our hearts, and our very lives, in God's hands, to be re-shaped for ministry in Christ, furthering God's kingdom here on earth.

Offering Music: "Just a Closer Walk with Thee" *Linda D. & Jonathan P., Cantor*

*Offertory: GTG 607 "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"

***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 thing is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

*Sung response: GTG 846 "Fight the Good Fight"

*Charge and Benediction

Postlude: "Duke Street"

arr. by Paul Karvonen

GETTING CONNECTED:

Office Phone 920.922.0425

Office Email <u>fdloffice@fdlpresbyterian.org</u>

Website <u>www.fdlpresbyterian.org</u>

Facebook First Presbyterian Church, Fond du Lac

YouTube First Presbyterian Church, Fond du Lac

STAFF:

Rev. Dr. Craig R. Alwin pastor@fdlpresbyterian.org

Jennifer Zander jzander@fdlpresbyterian.org

Kris Bartelt kbartelt@fdlpresbyterian.org

Mary Robotka mrobotka@fdlpresbyterian.org

Deb Zorn dzorn@fdlpresbyterian.org

Please join us, this afternoon at 3:00pm, for Rev. Dr. Craig Alwin's Installation Service. Pastor Craig will be installed as our pastor on Sunday afternoon. Of course, all are welcome to attend at 3:00pm. If anyone would like to give Pastor Craig a card, there will be a basket for cards in the narthex. Let's all show him how blessed we are to have him as part of our church family.

PRAYERS

Brian C.	Burt M.	*LynnK.
Pat D.	Marie L.	*Mike S.
Gib D.	Chastity G. & Joan S.	*Dale F.
Arnold L.	Sally S.	*Karen & David H.
Jesse F.	Bob & Ollive B.	*Lorele C.
Liam A.	Nancy H.	*Jim & Laura C.

The names with an asterisk (*) are not church members. However, a church member has received permission to ask that they be lifted in prayer. If you or someone you know would like to be added to our prayer list, please contact a Deacon or the church staff.

If you have a pastoral concern, that happens before or after office hours, please call the office (920.922.0425), press #2 for Pastoral Care.

This Week at Church

10:15-11:15am

Sunday	June 23	
9:00-10:00am	Worship	
10:00-10:30am	Congregational Meeting	
10:15-11:15am	Fellowship Time	
10:30 -11:30am	Growing Connections	
10.00 11.000	Presentation on Care INC	
1:00-2:00pm	PYA (Woodlands)	
3:00-4:00pm	Rev. Dr. Craig Alwin Installation Service	
5:30-7:30pm	0	
5:50-7:50pm	Boy Scout Troop 702 Meeting	
Monday	June 24	
10:00-11:00am	Staff Meeting	
Tuesday	June 25	
5:00-6:30pm	Finance Meeting	
6:00-7:00pm	AA Meeting	
-	-	
Wednesday	June 26	
8:00-9:00am	Men's Breakfast (Pump 'n Pantry)	
6:30-7:30pm	Summer Series Planning	
-	_	
Thursday	June 27	
6:30-8:00pm	Endowment Team	
Saturday	June 28	
3:00-8:00pm	New Freedom AA Group	
C d		
Sunday	June 30 – Summer Series	
9:00-10:00am	Worship	
10:15-11:15am	Fellowship Time	
$10.15 \ 11.15$ m	Crowing Connections - Discussion on Auti	

Growing Connections – Discussion on Autism

WEEKLY STATISTICS FOR June 16,2024				
Individuals in Person: Zoom Households:	72 4	-		
	4			
DATE	INCOME	NOTES		
06/16/2024	\$14360.00	Tithes/Offerings		
	\$10000.00	Pave the Way		
6/10-14/24	\$581.00	Vanco Online "Tithes/Offerings"		
	\$60.00	Vanco Online "Pave the Way"		
	\$25 <i>,</i> 001.00	TOTAL INCOME FOR THE WEEK		

Financial Giving and Gratitude

You can give online at <u>www.fdlpresbyterian.org. (Click</u> on 'Giving'.) You can also give by cash or check on Sunday morning, or by mail. We are so very thankful for your contributions that help us do God's work in our church and in our community.

Our Summer Series SEEDS OF FAITH Starting June 30