

**September 21, 2025; 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.*

### **Prelude**

***Please use this time to prepare your heart for worship. As the Light of Christ symbolically enters this worship space, we are reminded of God's presence in our lives, calling us to be a reflection of the light of Christ in all we do and say. The 9:00 a.m. bell toll reminds us of God's call to pause from our busy lives and turn our full attention to the joyful praise of God's glory.***

### **Welcome & Announcements**

#### **\*Call to Worship**

We gather together to celebrate the joy in our lives.

**God's love fills our hearts to overflowing with laughter.**

We gather, in God's presence, to find comfort and hope for our pain.

**God's grace wipes away our tears and knits us together as one people.**

We gather together, in God's presence, to worship God in faith and truth.

**Alleluia! Amen!**

#### **\*Opening Prayer**

O God, you are infinite, eternal and unchangeable, glorious in holiness, full of love and compassion, abundant in grace and truth. Your works everywhere praise you, and your glory is revealed in Jesus Christ our Savior. Therefore we praise you, blessed and holy Trinity, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

**\*Hymn: GTG 309 "Come, Great God of All the Ages"**

### **\*Call to Confession**

All have sinned and fall short of the glory of God; yet we are justified by the gift of God's grace through the redemption that is ours in Christ Jesus. Trusting in God's mercy, let us confess our sin.

### **\*Prayer of Confession**

**We have failed to love you with all our heart and to be good stewards of your creation: Lord, have mercy.**

**We have failed to take up the cross of discipleship and to be good stewards of your gospel: Christ, have mercy.**

**We have failed to be faithful members of your church and to be good stewards of your spiritual gifts: Lord, have mercy.**

### *Silent Confession*

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

### **\*Assurance of God's Grace**

Hear the good news! The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Jesus Christ came into the world to save sinners. He himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, that we might be dead to sin, and alive to all that is good. I declare to you in the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

**Thanks be to God. Amen.**

### **\*Sharing God's Peace**

Hear these instructions from Ephesians 4, "Accept each other with love, and make an effort to preserve the unity of the Spirit with the peace that ties you together."

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.)*

**\*Hymn: GTG 609 "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"**

## **God's Word Is Proclaimed**

### **Psalms Reading: Psalm 113 (Common English Bible)**

page 563 in the pew Bible (NRSV), page 755 (CEB)

Praise the Lord!

You who serve the Lord—praise!

Praise the Lord's name!

**Let the Lord's name be blessed**

**from now until forever from now!**

From sunrise to sunset,

let the Lord's name be praised!

**The Lord is high over all the nations;**

**God's glory is higher than the skies!**

Who could possibly compare to the Lord our God?

**God rules from on high;**

**he has to come down to even see heaven and earth!**

God lifts up the poor from the dirt

and raises up the needy from the garbage pile

to seat them with leaders—

with the leaders of his own people!

**God nests the once barren woman at home—**

**now a joyful mother with children!**

**Praise the Lord!**

### **Gospel Reading: Luke 16:1-13 (Common English Bible)**

page 79 in the pew Bible (NRSV), page 1273 (CEB)

Jesus also said to the disciples, "A certain rich man heard that his household manager was wasting his estate. He called the manager in and said to him, 'What is this I hear about you? Give me a report of your administration because you can no longer serve as my manager.'

"The household manager said to himself, What will I do now that my master is firing me as his manager? I'm not strong enough to dig and too proud to beg. I

know what I'll do so that, when I am removed from my management position, people will welcome me into their houses.

"One by one, the manager sent for each person who owed his master money. He said to the first, 'How much do you owe my master?' He said, 'Nine hundred gallons of olive oil.' The manager said to him, 'Take your contract, sit down quickly, and write four hundred fifty gallons.' Then the manager said to another, 'How much do you owe?' He said, 'One thousand bushels of wheat.' He said, 'Take your contract and write eight hundred.'

"The master commended the dishonest manager because he acted cleverly. People who belong to this world are more clever in dealing with their peers than are people who belong to the light. I tell you, use worldly wealth to make friends for yourselves so that when it's gone, you will be welcomed into the eternal homes.

"Whoever is faithful with little is also faithful with much, and the one who is dishonest with little is also dishonest with much. If you haven't been faithful with worldly wealth, who will trust you with true riches? If you haven't been faithful with someone else's property, who will give you your own? No household servant can serve two masters. Either you will hate the one and love the other, or you will be loyal to the one and have contempt for the other. You cannot serve God and wealth."

## **Children's Time**

**HYMN: GTG 299** "You Servants of God, Your Master Proclaim" vs 1&4

**Sermon:** "Kingdom Values"

## **We Respond to God's Word**

**Moment for Mission:** Human Trafficking Awareness 101

### **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: GTG 716 “God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending”**

**\*Offertory: GTG 708 “We Give Thee but Thine Own” vs. 1 & 4**

**\*Offertory Prayer**

### **Prayers of the People**

Arnold L	Jesse F	Mike F
Avril N* (Pretorius Friend)	Joan S	Mike A* (Kristina's BIL)
Bill K	<b>Jodi A</b>	Paige T
Brian C	Joyce J	Pat D
Brian M* (friend of Les M.)	Liam A	Pat M* (Bonnie H. sister)
Chastity G	Lindsay J* (Bill/Mary daughter)	Paul W
Corinne C	Lynn K* (Laurie C Friend)	Pete D
Dick S	Lynn M	Qualine S* (Jodi A. mom)
Elias B* (Laurie C grandson)	Marcie J* (Carol S. friend)	Sherry M
Gib D	Mark M* (Cheryl W BIL)	Steven B.* (Kevin B nephew)
Jack K* (Jolene's BIL)	Mary C-A*	Susan & Arnie R* (John C. sister/bil)
James P*	Mike P	

**Nancy Hilbert & Sabel Family-** Please keep the family of Jerry Hilbert in your prayers. We are saddened to share that Jerry passed away on Sunday September 7, 2025. Visitation will be on Saturday, September 20 from 10-11am, followed by a memorial service at 11am at the church, and fellowship time.

**The Family of Kathy A-** Please keep Kevin and Kim B. in your prayers as they grieve the passing of Kevin's sister and Kim's sister-in-law, Kathy A. May God's comfort and peace surround their family during this difficult time.

**The Anderson Family-** Please Keep Anderson Family in your prayers. We are saddened to share Marcus's Mother has suddenly passed.

## **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.**

## **HYMN: GTG 733 "We All Are One in Mission"**

### **\*Taking the Light of Christ into the World**

#### **\*Charge and Benediction**

God has filled us with joy and wonder.

**We will go to let it overflow in the lives of others.**

Jesus has filled us with comfort and hope.

**We will go to wipe away the tears of those around us.**

Holy Spirit sends us forward in faith to share the truth of God's presence in our lives.

**Alleluia! We will live everyday as God's own. Amen.**

## **Postlude**

### **Today's Guest Musician: Michelle Naegele**

Michelle Naegele, a National Board-Certified Teacher, is in her twenty-sixth year of teaching. She currently is the band director at Waupun Junior/Senior High School. Michelle holds a Master of Music degree in Wind Conducting and a Bachelor of Fine Arts degree in Music Education from UW-Milwaukee.

**While the personnel Team is searching for our next Music and Worship Director, we are blessed to have several Musicians filling in. Please welcome each of them as we experience a variety of music leadership styles God is providing through them.**

**Thank you to the following people  
for leading worship today:**

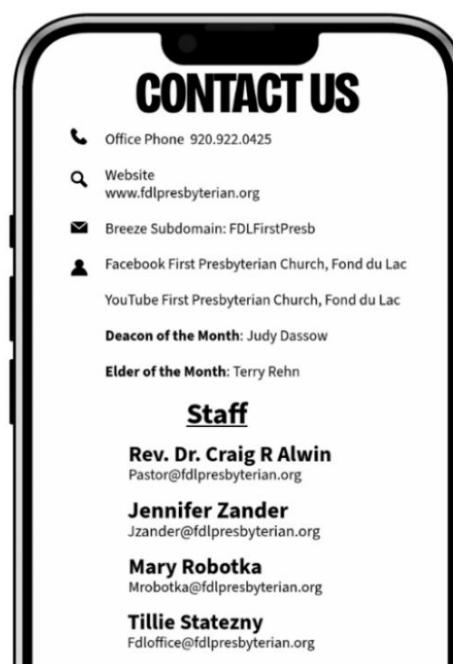
Liturgist: Kay M.

Cantor: Carol W.

Pianist: Michelle N.

Children's Moment: Jennifer Z.

Audio/Video: Deb C. & John N



### **WEEKLY STATISTICS FOR SEPTEMBER 14, 2025**

**Individuals in Person: 91**

**Zoom Households: 6**

<u>DATE</u>	<u>INCOME</u>	<u>NOTES</u>
09/14/2025	\$4685.00	Tithes/Offerings
	\$ 00.00	Special Offerings
9/8--12/25	\$500.00	Vanco Online "Tithes/Offerings"
	110.00	Vanco Special Offerings
	<hr/>	
	\$5295.00	TOTAL INCOME FOR THE WEEK

**Financial Giving and Gratitude** You can give online at [www.fdlpresbyterian.org](http://www.fdlpresbyterian.org) [Giving page](#). (Click on 'Online 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.

## **This Week**

### **Sunday**

9:00-10:15am  
10:15-11:15am  
10:15-11:15am  
10:15-11:15am

### **September 21**

Worship in the Sanctuary  
Fellowship Time in Fellowship Hall  
Sunday School  
Growing Connections-Making & Using the Document

### **Monday**

10:00-11:30am

### **September 22**

Staff Meeting in the Office

### **Tuesday**

6:00-7:30pm  
6:00-7:00pm  
7:00-9:15pm

### **September 23**

Building and Grounds Mtg  
AA Open Meeting  
South Shore Chorale Rehearsal

### **Wednesday**

8:00-9:00am

### **September 24**

Men's Breakfast at Pump & Pantry

### **Thursday**

9:15-10:30am  
10:00-4:00pm  
5:15-6:00pm  
6:00-8:00pm

### **September 25**

Finance Team Mtg  
Winnebago Presbytery Mtg  
Bell Choir Practice  
Grief Share

### **Sunday**

9:00-10:15am  
10:15-11:15am  
10:15-11:15am  
10:15-11:15am

### **September 28**

Worship in the Sanctuary  
Fellowship Time in Fellowship Hall  
Growing Connections-Beyond the Form  
Sunday School

## **Looking Ahead**

Damascus Road  
50 Year Member Recognition  
Risks of Spams and Scams-FdL Sheriffs Dep.  
Breast Cancer Awareness-Lisa Michels (APNP)

Saturday, Sept. 27  
Sunday, Oct. 5  
Sunday, Oct. 12  
Sunday, Oct. 19