

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sunday, Aug 7, 2016

Please stand at items marked * if you are able.
Passages in **Bold Print** are to be spoken in Unison.

"Be Still and know that I am God" (Ps. 46:10)
Please take the time before the services as an opportunity to quietly prepare your heart and mind for worship.

Welcome & Announcements
Rev. Susan Mattinson

Organist: Carol Wehrstedt **Music Director:** Kendall House

WE GATHER IN GOD'S PRESENCE

*Entry of the Bible

Call to Worship

*Hymn: "Arise, your light is come" #712

Opening Prayer:

Faithful God, we gather at your call to worship and adore you. We thank you for your goodness to us, for the world you made for us, and for your guiding presence on our journeys. We confess that we are not always ready to do what you call us to do. We are afraid, so we store up treasures for our own security. We are uncertain, so we hesitate when you call us to act. We are selfish, so we look after ourselves and give your mission second place. Forgive us, O God, and give us the gift of faith. Give us the courage to follow Christ wherever he will lead us, so that the offering of our lives of faithful service will bring glory to your name. Amen.

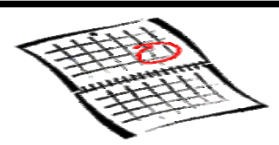
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Special Music:

*Children's Hymn "Praise our Maker, peoples of one family" #700

Sing twice, once before and once after children's time

Children's Time



Upcoming Events at First

Fri Aug 12 - Crafts and Conversation 1pm
Sun. Aug 14 - Worship Service 10:00am
(Aug 15 - 24 -Rev. Susan and Colin in Haiti)

We welcome our new church secretary,
Gina LaManna!

Office hours are Tuesdays, Wednesdays,
and Fridays from 9:00am-1:00pm.

While Rev. Susan is away in Haiti, please contact your
elder or Rev. Joyce Yanishewski for emergency
pastoral care (622-4273 or 622-2097).



Thank you this week to:

Greeters: Betty Irwin and Betty Irving

Lay Reader: Janice Racey

Fellowship Time: Joan Anderson and Debbie Linkletter

Elevator Operator: Colin Rackham

Offering Counting: Maybelle Gair, Debbie Linkletter, Maureen Verdone

Offering Collection: R. Brown, J. Nystrom, J. Taylor. B. Seabrook

Visiting/Phoning: Beth Workman

Next week's volunteers: Aug 14th

Greeters: Betty Irwin and Betty Irving

Lay Reader: Sandra Allan

Fellowship Time: Joyce Nystrom and Janet Taylor

Elevator Operator: Laird Morrison

Offering Counting: Lynae Grace, Myrna Grace

Offering Collection: R. Brown, J. Nystrom, J. Taylor. B. Seabrook

Visiting/Phoning: Beth Workman

Our church is a "Pokestop!" If you see youth and young adults lingering around the church property or across the road, do not be alarmed; they are collecting items in the game.

We will be welcoming players to our church from July 27-Sept. 9 on Wednesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays from 10am-12pm (details on separate flyer). You can help welcome them in a couple of ways:

1. Hang out at the church at one of the times listed above to help provide drinks and snacks, show people to the washrooms, be friendly and connect with people in our community! (No knowledge of Pokemon Go is required)
2. Donate bottles of water, juice boxes, pre-packaged snacks. Anything we don't use will be donated to the Food Bank after Sept. 9.

Please speak to Rev. Susan for more info or to help out!

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

Hymn of Preparation:

#64 v.1

**Be still and know that I am God.
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Bible Readings:

+ **Hosea 11:1-11**

OT- Pg. 842-843

+ **Psalms 49:1-12**

OT - Pg.518-519

+ **Colossians 3:1-11**

NT - Pg.201

Gloria Patri:

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and the Holy Ghost.
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen, amen.**

Sermon: "In God's Arms"

***Hymn: "My shepherd is the King of love"**

#691

WE RESPOND TO GOD

Tithes and Offerings

***Offertory Response**

#379 v.4

**So let us learn how to serve, and in our lives enthrone him,
each other's needs to prefer, for it is Christ we're serving.
This is our God, the Servant King, he calls us now to follow
him, to bring our lives as a daily offering of worship to the
Servant King."**

Prayer of Dedication:

**Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation. Through your
goodness we have these gifts to share. Bless and use our
offerings for your glory, and give us the courage to offer
our lives fully for your service, trusting that you will protect
us on our journeys of faith, wherever we will go. Amen.**

Commissioning of Haiti Team:

Leader: Eleanor, Ray, Mary Anne, Colin, Tamara, Maddy, Jack, Holly,
Erin, and Melody: In little more than a week, you will leave Thunder Bay
and travel to Haiti!

Congregation: We, your Christian family, celebrate your decision to embark on this journey. You will be our eyes and ears. You will carry our blessings and love to the people of God in a distant place. We will prayerfully support you and your hosts. May yours be a journey of faith, hope, and love.

Team Members: By the grace of God, we will seek to fulfill this calling.

Leader: You are making a pilgrimage to learn, promote global understanding, and grow spiritually. Do you go with open ears and eyes so that you may hear what the people Haiti are saying, and see what the people of Haiti are seeing?

Team Members: We do.

Leader: Do you go with your mind and heart open to the Spirit of the Prince of Peace?

Team Members: We do.

Leader: Do you go with faith that you will be led, sustained, and strengthened by the Spirit and also to be a witness to the uniting power of the Spirit in the world?

Team Members: We do.

Leader: Learn as much as you can. Seek to understand and to be understood. Through the people you meet, may God empower you and transform your lives!

Congregation: The peace of God be with you every step of your journey!

All: Amen.

Pastoral Prayer & Lord's Prayer (debts....debtors)

WE GO OUT TO SERVE

*Hymn: "I, the Lord of sea and sky" #592

Blessing

Response:

Peace! Peace! Wonderful peace, coming down from the Father above. Sweep over my spirit forever, I pray, in fathomless billows of love."

