# First Presbyterian Church

Rev. Robert Malsack, Pastor

15<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

**SEPTEMBER 1, 2024** 

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you. **And also with you.** 

Announcements / Opening Prayer

Prelude

\*Praise Medley

Insert

Prayer of Confession

(silence for personal confession and reflection)

Assurance of Pardon

Jesus Paid It All

--John Allard, Boyd Thomas

Dearly Beloved hear and believe the good news;

In the name of Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Amen. Alleluia!

\*Gloria Patri (Avery & Marsh)

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

\*Sharing the Peace of Christ

Time for Young Disciples

Special Music

--Max Olver

Prayer for Illumination

Sermon Text: Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23 Pg. 842, Pew Bible

Sermon: It's All In The Heart

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

#### \*Affirmation of Faith:

I love God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I embrace Jesus Christ, God's 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, He is seated at the right hand of the Father, and He will come to judge the living and the dead. I hold dear 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.

The Offering

Prayer of Thanksgiving

The hands of God are engraved with our names. The heart of God holds us in an unbreakable embrace. The compassion of God frees us from the power of hatred, selfishness, and death.

We thank You, God of Love, that You never abandon or neglect us.

In our moments of rebellion, God is patient. In our quest for independence, God is faithful. In our ignorance and pride, God is kind and gentle.

We thank You, God of Love, that You continually seek and save the lost.

When we had broken relationship with God, Jesus called us home. He shared a meal with His friends and shared his life with the world.

In Christ, the world is reconciled to God.

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As He gave the bread and wine to His friends, He gives Himself to us in this meal.

We are broken people, with broken lives and relationships. We have done nothing which makes us deserving of Your love. It is Your compassion and goodness that invites us to this meal, to this moment of healing. Feed us and reconcile us with ourselves, with others, and with You. For Christ's sake; Amen.

INTERCESSIONS / PRAYER CONCERNS: Dean Wright, Anne Starr, Sara Miller, Emily Cummings, Mark Kaad, Karyn Daft; missionaries, Sam and Cayla

THE SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

\*The Lord's Prayer (sung)

\*Benediction

\*Postlude

\*Those who are able, please stand.

### **CHURCH NOTES**

Monday: Labor Day – *office closed* **Tuesday:** 1:00p.m. Shawl Ministry

**Wednesday:** 10:00a.m. Reflections with Pastor Bob

4:30p.m. Fall Clean-up

6:30p.m. Adult Choir Rehearsals Begin

**Thursday:** 9:30a.m. Sit, Chat, Finish That

A Special Congregational Meeting will be held following worship next Sunday, September 8<sup>th</sup>, for the purpose of electing the following members to the Pastor Nominating Committee (PNC): Virginia Feleppa, Laurie Fuller, Boyd Morstad, Hope Schuiteman, Cliff Smith, Jen Spreen, and Jessica Zeuske.

### Fall Clean-up: this Wednesday, September 4th, 4:30p.m.

We need volunteers this Wednesday, September 4<sup>th</sup>, at 4:30p.m. for a couple of hours to help with cleaning up the grounds. *Please* sign up on the sign-up sheet in the Fireside Room. If that time does not work for you but you can come earlier, let us know – we have a list! Oh...and bring a rake! A light meal/snack will be served.

Ushers: Jeff, Audrey, Aksel, and Samson Hutchinson

#### THOU ART WORTHY © 1963, 1975 Fred Bock Music Company

Thou art worthy, Thou art worthy, Thou art worthy, O Lord, to receive glory, glory and honor, Glory and honor and power.

For Thou hast created, hast all things created, Thou hast created all things. And for Thy pleasure they are created, Thou art worthy, O Lord *repeat* 

### AH, LORD GOD © 1976 Chance, Kay

Ah, Lord God, Thou hast made the heavens And the earth by Thy great power. Ah, Lord God, Thou hast made the heavens And the earth by Thine outstretched arm.

Nothing is too difficult for Thee.

Nothing is too difficult for Thee.

Great and mighty God,

Great in counsel and mighty in deed

Nothing, nothing, absolutely nothing

Nothing is too difficult for Thee repeat

# I EXALT THEE © 1977 Sanchez, Pete, Jr.

For Thou oh Lord art high above all the earth Thou art exalted far above all gods. For Thou oh Lord art high above all the earth Thou art exalted far above all gods.

I exalt Thee, I exalt Thee, I exalt Thee, oh Lord. I exalt Thee, I exalt Thee, oh Lord. *repeat* 

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