

10:00 am Worship Service February 24th, 2019



Welcome to Worship

If You Are New to First Federated Church:

We invite you to stop by the Commons for coffee and Fellowship Hour after worship. Information pamphlets about church programs and volunteer opportunities are available.

A Handicap and Family Bathroom is located in the hallway outside the Commons on the first floor.

During Today's Worship - Questions? Ask an Usher.

- Large print hymnals, individual listening devices and reading glasses are available in the Narthex for an improved worship experience. Worship also can be heard through the speakers in the Lounge and the Commons.
- Worship bags, containing quiet activities, are available in the front & back of the sanctuary by the ushers' stands. Children who are attending worship in the sanctuary are invited to borrow one of these bags.
- Childcare is available for your infant or small child during 10:00 a.m. worship each Sunday. The nursery is located next to the Chapel. See one of the ushers for directions.
- Kids' Kingdom Sunday School is provided each week during worship. Preschoolers 5th grade go to the chapel briefly for announcements and offering before being led to separate Sunday school rooms. 6th 12th grade have separate Junior and Senior High events. All classes last until approximately 11:00 am. Schedule varies during summer months.
- Please pass the Pew Friendship Pads so that we know your name and all worshipers have an opportunity to provide up-to-date information and sign up for special events. If you are a visitor, please be sure to give us your address so that we can send you a note.
- For pastoral care, to notify the church of illnesses, hospitalizations, or deaths, to pass along a prayer request, please call the church office at 685-5258 or e-mail: info@ffcpeoria.com.

Please silence your cell phones when in the sanctuary.



PRELUDE

NEWS OF THE CHURCH

INTROIT

Where Charity and Love Prevail
Chancel Choir

CALL TO WORSHIP

(Psalm 37, selected)

(Responsive)

Leader: Don't be upset because of evil

people. Don't be jealous of those who do wrong. Like the grass, they will soon dry up. Like green plants,

they will soon die away.

Congregation: Trust the Lord and do good.

Leader: Depend on the Lord. Trust him, and

he will take care of you.

Congregation: Then your goodness will shine

like the sun. Your fairness will shine like the noonday sun.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

(Unison)

O Lord, our very source of love and life, be with us in our time of worship as we seek the love it takes to walk in the ways of your Son. Help us love our enemies and bless those who wrong us, for we cannot do so alone. Teach us the joy of treating others with the same respect and goodness with which we hope to be treated. May our every word and deed make known that we are your disciples, beloved children, and vessels of your love. Amen.

* HYMN

Now Thank We All Our God No. 715

Chalice Hymnal

- TIME WITH THE GROWING CHURCH -

Jesus once said that unless we receive the Kingdom as a child we cannot enter into it. This time spent with the youngest members of our worshipping congregation reminds us of the great truth that all of us are children of God and that all of us need to grow in wisdom and in faith.

Children of all ages are invited to come forward for a children's message. Following the Lord's Prayer all children are invited to Sunday school. Parents are welcome to accompany hesitant children.

Visitors are welcome!

All children, Preschool through 5th grade should be picked up by their parents or guardian in the following location following worship:

Preschool - Preschool Palace
Kindergarten, 1st and 2nd Grades - Creation Station
3rd, 4th and 5th Grades - Upper Room
Junior Highs (6th - 8th Grades) - Junior High Room, 3rd floor
Senior Highs (9th - 12th Grades) - Remain in worship

GATHERING HYMN

Let Them Come

(Children please come forward during the "Gathering Hymn")

Let them come, let them come,
let the children come to me.
I have time, I have time, said the Savior tenderly.
Let them come, let them come,
please don't send them away.
I have time, let them come, let them stay.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Jessica Sheley

LORD'S PRAYER (Unison)

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. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

DEPARTING HYMN

Praise Him, Praise Him, All Ye Little Children
(Please remain seated and sing this hymn for the children as they depart for Sunday school)

Praise Him, praise Him, all ye little children, God is love, God is love: Praise Him, praise Him, all ye little children, God is love, God is love.

INVITATION TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

(A moment of silent reflection, then Unison)

Forgive us, Lord for it is difficult to let go of our anger toward those who prosper through deceit and unscrupulous ways; it is not easy to make ourselves believe that the meek will inherit the earth, when they are being crushed by the unjust systems. We long to see the vindication of the righteous and the prosperity of those who work selflessly to bring Your realm here on earth. We yearn for the day when all people will treat one another as they wish to be treated. Help us live into that day, Holy One, even when it is difficult, that Your love might shine like the sun through our lives and our ministries. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

(Responsive)

Leader:

When we treat others as we would have them treat us, Jesus calls us beloved children of the Most High. If God is kind to the ungrateful and the wicked, how much more will God be kind to those who love the Lord and seek to live the Golden Rule? Rest in this assurance and be at peace.

Congregation: Let us be known as children of the Most High.

* GLORIA PATRI

(Unison)

No. 35

Chalice Hymnal

("Gloria Patri" literally means "Glory to the Father." This ancient response has been sung by the Church for nearly two thousand years.)

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

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Genesis 45:3-11, 15

Pg. 41

Old Testament, Pew Bible

ANTHEM

Ave Verum Corpus
Chancel Choir

W.A. Mozart

EPISTLE LESSON

1 Corinthians 15:35-38, 42-50 Pg. 1

New Testament, Pew Bible

HYMN In the Bulb there is a Flower

Pg. 638

Chalice Hymnal

GOSPEL LESSON

Luke 6:27-38

Pg. 59

New Testament, Pew Bible

SERMON Relationship Over Revenge

Rev. Dr. Forrest Krummel, Jr.

* APOSTLES' CREED

(Traditional) (Unison)
(The Apostles' Creed is an ancient statement of Christian faith that dates from 180 A.D.)

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYER OF INTERCESSION

OUR RESPONSE TO THE WORD OF GOD THROUGH OUR OFFERING

OFFERTORY

Simple Gifts

arr. Lloyd Larson

Chancel Bells

Chalice Hymnal

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him all creatures here below. Praise Him above, ye heavenly host: Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

* CLOSING HYMN

For the Healing of the Nations No. 668

Chalice Hymnal

- * BENEDICTION
- * RESPONSE



* POSTLUDE

Chancel Flowers

The flower arrangement in the chancel represents a contribution to the Hult Center for their Youth Mental Health Matters Program.

It is given in memory and celebration of our son and brother Chris for his 23rd birthday.

The Predmore Family

A Word About Worship at First Federated Church

From its beginning, the Christian community has gathered on the first day of the week to hear the scriptures read and proclaimed as well as celebrate or Lord's Supper (Eucharist). Our worship always begins with God. It is God who takes the initiative and calls us into be. In the name of Christ we respond to God's call and assemble as a community of faith.

Call to Worship. Words from scripture are spoken or sung to remind us who God is and what God has done. This "call to worship" often include a Prelude and Introit

Hymns. Worshipers sing praise to God that proclaim God's greatness, majesty, love and goodness.

Confession. Worshipers are called acknowledge that no one is perfect. We are called to confess the reality of sin in our personal as well as our communal life. Claiming the promises of God sealed in baptism, we humbly confess our sin.

Prayer for Illumination. This prayer seeks illumination of the Holy Spirit and calls upon God to make us receptive to the life-changing Word, which come to us through the scriptures.

Sermon. When the Bible has been read, its message is proclaimed in a sermon or other form of exposition of God's Word. The God who speaks in scripture speaks to us now. The God who acted in biblical history acts today. Through the Holy Spirit, Christ is present in the sermon, offering grace and calling for obedience. The proclamation of God's Word in scripture and sermon invites a response of faith.

Affirmation of Faith. A response to the proclamation of the Word, worshipers may affirm the faith by saying or singing a creed of the faith or through music, hymn, spiritual or song.

Baptism. Except in extraordinary circumstances, Baptism is celebrated in the context of worship. As with the Lord's Supper, Baptism is a sign and act of God's love by which God's grace is made visible.

Lord's Supper (The Eucharist). In New Testament times the celebration of the Eucharist on each Lord's Day was the norm. One of the Church's two sacraments (the other being Baptism) is was given to us by Christ. In this sacrament the promises of God is made visible and concrete.

Pastoral Rites. Response to the Word may include other acts of commitment and recognition, such as marriage, ordination and installation of church officers, and commissioning for Christian service.

Prayers. In response to the Word, prayers are offered acknowledging God's presence in the world and in daily life.

Charge and Benediction. This is the formal dismissal that concludes the worship service. The Charge reminds worshipers that God sends us into the world to be a light that shines brightly in the midst of darkness. The Benediction is a blessing.

I am glad that you could worship with us today.

If you are exploring faith for the first time, seeking to reconnect with your faith, or searching for a church home and would like to learn more about First Federated Church, please introduce yourself to me after today's service. You may also call me at (309) 685-5258 X. 101 or email at fkrummel@ffcpeoria.com.

I would enjoy a conversation with you!



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