

## PRELUDE

### BRINGING IN THE LIGHT OF CHRIST

#### WELCOME & SHARING OF CHURCH FAMILY NEWS

\*Please stand as you are able.

**Bold text is spoken or sung by everyone.**

### WE PREPARE TO HEAR GOD'S WORD

INTROIT "Bani Ngyeti Ba Yawe"

Chancel Choir

#### \*RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP

Alleluia, Christ is risen.

**The Lord is risen indeed, alleluia.**

Let the peoples praise you, O God.

**Let all the peoples praise you.**

\*HYMN #341 "O God Show Us Mercy"

#### CALL TO CONFESSION

Do not let your hearts be troubled, but confess your sins and God will give you peace.

#### UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Loving God, we confess that we are an anxious people who deny your blessing and fail to keep your word. Forgive us, we pray, for these and all our sins, that we might live in peace and reflect your love in the world; through Jesus Christ we pray. Amen.**

#### SILENT CONFESSION TO GOD

*Silence is held for personal confession.*

Lord, hear our prayer, and change our lives until we illustrate the grace of the God who makes all things new. **Amen.**

#### ASSURANCE OF GOD'S LOVE AND MERCY

Let your hearts be still, for God loves you and forgives all your wrongdoing. Beloved, receive the peace of Christ.

#### \*SONG OF ASSURANCE

#582 "Glory to God, whose Goodness Shines on Me"

**Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me, And to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me, And to the Spirit, whose love has set me free. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.**

**World without end, without end. Amen. World without end, without end Amen. World without end, without end. Amen.**

**As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.**

#### \*PASSING OF THE PEACE

Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts. To this peace we were called as members of a single body. The peace of Christ be with you.

**And also with you.**

*Let us share the peace of Christ by holding in our hearts the ones we find easy to love, those we struggle to love, those we don't know. Feel free to hug any family or friends you are worshipping with, and please wave to others across the sanctuary.*

### RECOGNITION OF GRADUATES (See Insert)

#### WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

##### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

**Living God, your word is a lamp to our feet and a light that finds us wherever we are on the path you call each of us to walk. Give us grace to hear your truth in scripture and in our hearts, and strength to follow the path you set before each of us. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.**

##### FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON

Psalm 67

May God be gracious to us and bless us and make his face to shine upon us, *Selah* that your way may be known upon earth, your saving power among all nations. Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you. Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, for you judge the peoples with equity and guide the nations upon earth. *Selah* Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you. The earth has yielded its increase; God, our God, has blessed us. May God continue to bless us; let all the ends of the earth revere him.

##### RESPONSE

Give thanks to the One whose Word is life.

**Blessed be God Forever.**

ANTHEM "Hark, I Hear the Harps Eternal" (arr. Alice Parker)

Chancel Choir

##### DISCOVERY TIME

###### Sunday School Teacher Recognition

Carmen Lawler

*(All Sunday School students, 4K – 8<sup>th</sup> grade, are dismissed to their classes.)*

##### SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON

John 5:1-9

After this there was a festival of the Jews, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. Now in Jerusalem by the Sheep Gate there is a pool, called in Hebrew Beth-zatha, which has five porticoes. In these lay many ill, blind, lame, and paralyzed people. One man was there who had been ill for thirty-eight years. When Jesus saw him lying there and knew that he had been there a long time, he said to him, "Do you want to be made well?" The ill man answered him, "Sir, I have no one to put me into the

pool when the water is stirred up, and while I am making my way someone else steps down ahead of me." Jesus said to him, "Stand up, take your mat and walk." At once the man was made well, and he took up his mat and began to walk. Now that day was a Sabbath.

##### RESPONSE

For the word of God in scripture, for the word of God within us, for the word of God among.

**Thanks be to God.**

##### SERMON

"Do You Want to be Made Whole?"

Dan Crump

##### TIME FOR SILENT PRAYER AND REFLECTION

*Please let the bell tone help in your meditation and reflection. This is an ancient Christian monastic and Eastern meditation practice aid.*

### WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

\*HYMN #688 "Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart"

##### JOYS AND CONCERNS

*In order to preserve confidentiality, the individual sharing of joys and concerns is limited to only those present in the sanctuary.*

We pray to the Lord...**Lord, hear our prayer.**

##### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

O Risen Christ, **Open our eyes to your mercy in the world.**

**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.**

##### MINUTE FOR MISSION:

Pentecost Offering Kristine Johaneck

##### A TIME FOR GENEROSITY

The earth has yielded its increase and God has richly blessed us.

Therefore, bring your tithes and offerings and come into God's courts with praise.

##### OFFERTORY

\*DOXOLOGY #609 "Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow"

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures high and low. Alleluia. Alleluia! Praise God, in Jesus fully known: Creator, Word and Spirit one. Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

### \*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Giving God, as spring bursts forth its blossoms in witness to your love, you bless us from generation to generation with the new life of Easter faith. All that we have and all that we are come from you, O God, so we gladly share this offering, that others too may be blessed, for the sake of Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.

### HYMN #372 "O For a World"

### \*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

**\*LIGHT OF CHRIST GOES WITH US.** *We carry the Christ Candle out of the sanctuary as a reminder that God's love is with us, even as we go out in peace, guided by the Spirit to bring healing and hope to a broken, hurting and grieving world.*

**\*BENEDICTION RESPONSE** "Bani Ngyeti Ba Yawe" Chancel Choir

### POSTLUDE

#### HIGH SCHOOL & COLLEGE GRADUATES CLASS OF 2022

##### FPC High School Graduates

Henry Hoerneman, UW Madison, College of Engineering  
Charlotte Johnson, UWSP at Marshfield  
Ryan Paulman, UW Madison, College of Engineering  
Davis Rens, University of California, Berkeley  
Olivia Anderson, UW Milwaukee

##### College Graduates:

Madeleine Lawler, Loyola University Chicago, M.A. in Public History  
Gracia Sandok, UW Madison, B.S. in Biochemistry and Computer Science  
Jocie Anderson, University of Minnesota, B.S. in Environmental Science

### PARTICIPATING IN THIS MORNING'S WORSHIP SERVICE

Guest Preacher	Dan Crump
Lector	Ted Krohn
CE Coordinator	Carmen Lawler
Piano/Organ	Lisa Carroll
Choir Director	Greg Reiersen
Video Technician	Greg Walsh
Deacons	Adele Heller, Jennifer Lurvey, John Wing
Greeters	Curt & Sarah Hanson
Nursery	Therese Brooks

### OUTREACH TO THE HOMEBOUND, RECOVERING AND ON OUR HEARTS:

Each week we list one of our members or friends and encourage you to send a card or note. This week we are thinking of:

**Ruth Luber, 14570 SW Hart Road, #200, Beaverton, OR 97007.** Please reach out to anyone you think needs a little encouragement with a friendly chat. Lift a spirit with a phone call, email, FB message, etc.

**IN OUR PRAYERS:** Mark Zimmerman-Ag Instructor at Spencer HS, Theone Neumann & Family, Charlotte Kruse, Elaine & Toney Bookhart. Please give names for the prayer list to the church office.

**PASTOR LAURIE ON STUDY LEAVE UNTIL MAY 24** and will return to the church on May 24. If you have a pastoral emergency during her absence, please contact Rev. Janet Wolfe, at 715-486-9307.

**A SERVICE OF WITNESS TO THE RESURRECTION FOR KEN NEUMANN** will be held in this sanctuary on Friday, May 27 at 11:00 AM, with Visitation at 10:00 AM, and lunch immediately following the service in our Fellowship Hall. Theone, her sons and family, cordially invite you to join them.

**ANNUAL RUMMAGE SALE:** If you have not already, please consider signing up to help with the Annual Rummage Sale June 3 & 4. When helping with set-up, if you volunteer at least 2 hours, you may make early purchases. There are sheets in the Narthex for you to choose days you may be able to assist. We know not everyone is able to help during set up or sale dates. If you are able to take a sign advertising the sale, they will be available May 22. Or if you are able to provide food for breaks and lunch during set-up days, please check the Narthex for the list of items we appreciate having available. Donations for the sale will be accepted May 25-27, 31 and June 1. **No donations accepted after June 1.**

**PENTECOST OFFERING:** Our congregation will be taking our special offering on Pentecost Sunday, June 5. We have begun receiving the Pentecost Offering through our online portal and in the church office. Congregations keep 40% of raised funds to initiate or support programs for young people in their communities. 60% goes to the national church to support Young Adult Volunteers (YAV), ministries to youth ages 12 to 18, and to the "Educate a Child, Transform the World" initiative. Our gifts to the Pentecost Offering connect with God's hope and future, supporting ministries with children, youth and young adults by building a life of faith.

**JOIN THE REFUGEE SETTLEMENT TEAM FOR FPC:** If you are interested in joining with other members of FPC and the Marshfield community to learn ways in which you may help to welcome refugees displaced by war or famine, please consider contacting our growing team. There are short term jobs, longer commitments, opportunities to donate in-kind furnishings or household goods as well as financial donations. All help is welcomed. Please contact Barb Gillespie for more information at [nanabarb6472@gmail.com](mailto:nanabarb6472@gmail.com) or 715.650.7829.



## Welcome to First Presbyterian Church 6th Sunday of Easter Graduation Sunday & Teacher Recognition May 22, 2022

**WELCOME TO ALL VISITORS!** We would be delighted if you would fill out our quick and easy green VISITOR CARD in the center pocket of your pew. Please place it in the offering plate or give it to the pastor after worship.

**WELCOME TO FAMILIES** with children and infants for worship. The staffed nursery is available for infants through three years old. Worship Bags, on a stand at the entrance to the sanctuary, are available to enhance kids' worship experience.

**DO YOU HAVE A PRAYER REQUEST?** Use the blue "Prayer Request Card" located in your pew and the narthex (entry hall) and place it in the offering plate as it is passed, or hand it to the pastor after worship.



**HEARING & VISUAL ASSISTANCE** Ask an Usher for help:  
Switch hearing aid to T-Coil Loop Listeners  
Magnifiers are available

**OUR MISSION STATEMENT:** First Presbyterian Church, Marshfield, Wisconsin seeks to welcome all to join us on our journey of faith, denying no one, based upon his or her particular human condition, participation in the life of the church. We want to be a safe place, a sanctuary where people are accepted, included, and cared for as they are. We will be agents of God's transforming power, aligning ourselves with the Holy Spirit as we pray, worship, learn, share fellowship and serve together. By attending to the love of Jesus Christ in our midst, we discover a deepening faith that makes a difference in our lives. As a community based on God's love, we strive to be of service to our neighbors and to the world.

**WE CHOOSE WELCOME:** We at FPC have embraced the "We Choose Welcome" awareness campaign of the PC(USA) which expresses our personal and church-wide commitment to welcome refugees and immigrants into our communities. The phrase comes from Gradye Parsons, former Stated Clerk of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), in which he urged us to "Choose Welcome, Not Fear." In the midst of: fear of terrorism and radicalism; hate speeches and hate crimes, anxiety about our own economic prosperity, and political debates which seek to divide us between those who were born here and those who were not-we choose welcome for all children of God, proclaiming one household.

## THE HONORING AND BLESSING OF THE CLASS of 2022

### **Christian Educator:**

This morning, we celebrate those who are graduating from high school and college this year. We invite the high school graduates **Henry Hoerneman, Charlotte Johnson, Ryan Paulman, Davis Rens and Olivia Anderson** and their parents to come forward.

### **Pastor:**

Friends, your journey in life has brought you to this special time of graduation. These past years of your life are filled with many special memories of people, places and experiences that have helped to shape who you are today and we pray, will help guide you into your many tomorrows. Look around you at the people of this faith community. "You are surrounded," as the writer of Hebrews says: "by so great a cloud of witnesses." This community of faith who along with your parents has sought to love and support you, nurtured and nourished you as you grew up. This was part of the covenant we made with you, with your parents and with God in baptism. As you prepare for your new chapter after graduating, we still promise and covenant with you and with your parents to provide love and support.

*Pastor (addressing each group in turn):*

### **Parents:**

As your child stands on the verge of this new threshold, waiting to step out into a world beyond our own doors and community, do you promise to continue to love and support your child in their lives? If so respond: I will, with the help of God.

**I will, with the help of God.**

### **Congregation:**

Family of faith, do you promise to continue to love, nurture, and encourage these young people in their lives? If so respond: We will, with the help of God.

**We will, with the help of God**

### **Graduates:**

Children of God, as you step out into the wider world, do you promise to continue to walk in the light of Christ, seeking to follow in the path of God's peace, and continue to love others as Christ loves you? If so respond: I will, with the help of God.

**I will, with the help of God.**

### **Pastor:**

On this important day, the day when we mark you stepping out further into God's world, we would like to bless you with the gift of your own personalized blanket: on which we have placed your name and the Presbyterian seal on it.

*(Christian Educator hands each graduate his or her blanket).*

Let us pray: (Unison Prayer with congregation)

**Bless these graduates, Lord Jesus Christ, as we thank you for the gift each of them has been to us. May they know that wherever they go, your love and our love goes with them. Whatever they do, they will always be a part of our hearts and our community of faith. Wherever you wander, no matter how dark the night, may the warmth of this blanket, the love of your parents, friends and family, the grace of Christ, the love of God, and the power of the Holy Spirit be with you now and forever.**

**We pray also for your blessing on all of our college graduates and high school graduates in our community with thanks for their milestone achieved by your grace and with bright hope for their new chapter just ahead. Go with God's blessing. Amen.**

## 2021-2022 Teachers



The following individuals have taught Sunday school, confirmation class or Children's Choir.

Olivia Anderson  
Aimee Christopher  
Melissa Cooper  
Dan Crump  
April Daul  
Patty Faber  
Beth Gear  
Kristine Johanek  
Charlotte Johnson  
Beth Kayhart  
Shay Lelonek  
Tracy Olson  
Jaki Winch

### **CE Staff**

Therese Brooks—Nursery Attendant  
Carmen Lawler—Christian Ministries Coordinator  
Nicole Johnson—Youth Fellowship Coordinator

We are grateful to those who have contributed to Christian Education programs of First Presbyterian Church. Without all of us working together, we would not be able to provide attractive quality programs for the young people of our church. We are particularly grateful for the tireless and dedicated work of Nadene Lautenschlager as head of the Christian Education Committee. We also extend heartfelt appreciation to the office staff of FPC for all their support in coordination of programs: Pam Gotto, Executive Assistant and Angela Edblom, Treasurer.