



July 19, 2026
Service at 9:30 a.m.
Rev. Marcus Brooks

Welcome to Worship

Bold: Congregational Response

Ushers: Jerry & Ann Weflen; Pati Ellwein & Byron Hohm

Please complete the “Connection” insert and place it in the offering plate.

** Indicates points of the service where the Congregation stands as able.*

GOD’S PEOPLE GATHERING

Prelude arr. C. Haywood, “Improvisation on We Shall Overcome”
Dan Graber, Organ

Welcome and Announcements Rev. Marcus Brooks

Minute for Mission Shirley McCallum
PW Mission Coffee—In Support of Red Cloud Renewable

*** Call to Worship** John 10: 27, 28a

My sheep hear my voice, says the Lord.
I know them and they follow me;
and I give them eternal life.

*** Opening Hymn #15** “All Creatures of our God and King” *LASST UNS ERFREUEN*

*** Prayer of Confession**

Merciful God, we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart. We have failed to be an obedient church. We have not done your will, we have broken your law, we have rebelled against your love. We have not loved our neighbors, and we have refused to hear the cry of the needy. Forgive us, we pray. Free us for joyful obedience; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

PREPARING FOR THE WORD OF GOD

* Assurance of Forgiveness

* Sharing the Peace of Christ

Response to Forgiveness #584 “Glory, Glory, Glory”

CUEQUITA

Special Music S. Foster, “Hard Times Come Again No More”

Whitney Werner, Soprano

RECEIVING GOD’S WORD ANEW

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Readings

Genesis 28: 10-19a

Diane Helin

Matthew 13: 24-30, 36-43

Baptism of Myles Douglas Begalka

Son of Jeffrey Begalka and Adrienne DePauw-Begalka

Presided by Marcus Brooks and assisted by Elder, Jason Douma

Baptism Hymn #188 “Jesus Loves Me”

JESUS LOVES ME

Time with Children/Rainforest Falls VBS

Kathie Douma

Sermon

Special Music L. Dengler, “These Things Shall Never Die”

Words by Charles Dickens

Whitney Werner, Soprano

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

Call for the Offering

Offertory arr. G. Young “Amazing Grace”

Dan Graber, Organ

Prayer of Dedication

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord’s Prayer

Special Music

G.F. Handel, “And He Shall Feed His Flock”

Whitney Werner, Soprano

* The Theological Declaration of Barmen

We believe that Jesus Christ alone is God’s Word to us, whom we are called to trust and obey in life and in death.

We reject all powers and authorities that claim the place belonging to God alone.

We believe that Christ is the head of the Church, which exists to proclaim God’s grace and serve God’s purposes.

We confess that God’s truth is not bound to human ideologies or earthly rule, but stands above all.

We trust in God’s sovereign freedom and faithfulness, who alone governs conscience and destiny.

To God alone be glory and praise forever. Amen.

* Closing Hymn #837 “What a Fellowship, What a Joy Divine”

SHOWALTER

* Benediction

Postlude arr. G. Young, “We’re Marching to Zion”

Dan Graber, Organ

Per Capita

As members of the South Dakota Presbytery, we share a per capita obligation of \$44 per member. Session kindly asks each member to help cover this amount as any unpaid portion is paid from the general fund. If funds more than First Presbyterian's required per capita are raised, they will be given directly to the South Dakota Presbytery.

PRAYER REQUESTS

PLEASE KEEP THESE PEOPLE IN YOUR PRAYERS

Diane & Jack Helin, as they mourn the loss of Diane's sister **Janet Heindel**; **Vicki Swier's mom, Sandran**; **Kym Christiansen**; **Earl & Kathy Kemp** ask: Jesus calls us to follow – including taking action against injustice, and confronting untruth. Pray that our congregation will find a way to at least discuss, respectfully, the stance(s) our denomination has taken at the national level and prayerfully follow Jesus' call, seeking ways to ACT to move toward real peace and justice for all.

PLEASE CONTINUE TO KEEP THESE DEAR FRIENDS IN YOUR PRAYERS—

Marge (friend of Mike and Shirley McCallum); **Chris** (Mike and Shirley McCallum's son); **Family of Marlene Farquhar** as they mourn her loss

Send prayer requests to: prayers@fpcsiouxfalls.org



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