

LIVING THE WORD

PASSING THE PEACE

One: The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you

All: **And with you**

*SONG OF RESPONSE

"I Have a Dream" [pp. 6-7]

OFFERING/OFFERTORY

*DOXOLOGY

**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**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND LORD'S PRAYER

**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.**

GOING FORTH TO MINISTER

*CLOSING HYMN

"God of Grace and God of Glory" [420]

*BENEDICTION

*SUNG BLESSING

[307 v. 4]

**Faint not nor fear, God's arms are near;
God changeth not, and thou art dear;
Only believe, and thou shalt see
That Christ is all in all to thee.**

POSTLUDE

Alejandro Alumbremos

**Please stand as you are able.*

[Bold type] indicates text to be spoken or song to be sung by the congregation.



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH

AUGUST 20, 2017

9:30 A.M.

GATHERING WITH PRAISE

PRELUDE

Alejandro Alumbrreros

FIRST THOUGHT

“If there are dreams about a beautiful South Africa, there are also roads that lead to their goal. Two of these roads could be named Goodness and Forgiveness.”

Nelson Mandela

One: The Lord be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Come, let us worship God

All: **In whom we find our comfort and our strength**

One: Come, let us sing God’s praises

All: **For the abundance of blessings in our lives**

One: Come, let us pray to God

All: **Remembering our lives are in God’s loving hands**

One: Come, trusting in the everlasting God, whom we worship now.

OPENING HYMN

“Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee” [464]

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

WELCOME

Welcome! Whoever you are, wherever you come from and whatever you have done or failed to do, welcome to this place where we celebrate the love of God and are inspired by the hospitality of Jesus Christ. May you find God’s love, peace and grace as we worship together.

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Bruce Armstrong

God, eternal and ever-loving, we turn to You to praise and to pray. Listen to our confession as we acknowledge that we do not live perfect lives. Opportunities present themselves to do good, and we pass them by. Promises are made, and we break them. Intentions are good, but we fail to follow through. Merciful God, heal what is broken in our lives, forgive what is wrong and lead us into a new beginning. Set our eyes upon Jesus that we may follow where He leads and live in ways that bring healing, wholeness and peace to our troubled world. As we pray in silence, may we listen for Your voice and be ready to answer Your call to faithful living and courageous actions. ~ Amen

(Let us continue to pray in silence.)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

One: Friends, hear the good news of the Gospel.

All: **In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.**

*ACT OF PRAISE

[316 v. 1]

**Breathe on me, Breath of God,
Fill me with life anew,
That I may love what Thou dost love,
And do what Thou wouldst do.**

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

TIME FOR ALL AGES

SPECIAL MUSIC

“The Call”

Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)

Ken Nakayama—vocals, Fumi Nakayama—piano

SCRIPTURE

Genesis 45:1-15 [O.T. p. 42]

SERMON

“The Possible Dream”

Rev. Gillian Weighton

FOOD PANTRY

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE FOR THE FOOD PANTRY:

WED., AUGUST 23RD — Linda Schubert, Megan Humphreys, Jenny Humphreys
THURS., AUGUST 24TH — Mary Ringwalt, Ginny Holle, Nancy Hennessey

*If you cannot make your shift, please find
a sub and let LuAnn or Karin know.*

**PLEASE NOTE—THE FOOD PANTRY WILL BE CLOSED ON
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 30TH AND THURSDAY AUGUST 31ST.**

*Small jars of mayonnaise are needed so our
clients can make the new tuna salad recipe being
demonstrated by the UW-Extension students!*



ITEMS TO LOOK FOR WHILE SHOPPING

- ◆ Canned meats: Think beyond tuna and soup, which food banks get tons of. Instead go for canned beef, canned ham, canned chicken. Or hearty ready-to-go meals like beef stew and chili with meat.
- ◆ Canned fruit: Not pineapple. This is the most commonly donated fruit. Any other fruit, particularly those in fruit juice without extra sugar, would be great.
- ◆ Boxed meals THAT REQUIRE ONLY WATER. Hamburger Helper is not helpful if you don't have hamburger.
- ◆ Peanut butter, jams and jellies
- ◆ Instant oatmeal, instant grits
- ◆ Cans of beans—other than green beans (i.e., pinto, great northern, cannellini, etc.)
- ◆ Biscuit or baking mixes (again that only require water)
- ◆ Cans, cartons or boxes of powdered and evaporated milk
- ◆ Snack items for kids to take to school: juice boxes, apple-sauce containers, granola bars
- ◆ Condiments and seasonings: salt, pepper, seasoned salt, ketchup, mustard
- ◆ Bags of apples or potatoes.
- ◆ Diapers in various sizes (above newborn), plus baby wipes
- ◆ Toiletries: soap, toothbrushes, toothpaste, lotion, shampoo and conditioner, body wash, dish soap, laundry detergent, warm socks

WELCOME, ALL!

Welcome to this sanctuary.
Welcome to this time of worship and wonder.
Welcome to this family of faith.

WELCOME TO FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

We're glad you're here today and pray that your experience with us in worship is both challenging and uplifting!

9:30 a.m. Worship
Fellowship to follow

Nursery care is available during worship service in Room 205.

STAY CONNECTED

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GET THE WEEKLY "E-VOTIONAL"

To receive our mid-week E-votional, along with news about what's going on in the church, call/email the office and ask to be added to the list!

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GREETERS: Bev Eifert, Mary Eastman
USHERS: John & Linnea Broke, Bud Eastman, LuAnn Hansen
PERK-N-POUR: Peggy Wagner, Elie Hunt
LITURGIST: Bruce Armstrong

CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 20, 2017

Sun., Aug. 20	9:30 a.m.	Worship
Mon., Aug. 21		Newsletter Deadline Office Closed
Tue., Aug. 22	11:00 a.m.	Staff Meeting
Wed., Aug. 23	12:00 p.m.—1:00 p.m.	Bible Study
	5:00 p.m.—7:00 p.m.	Food Pantry
Thu., Aug. 24	12:00 p.m.	Newsletter Prep Party
	2:00 p.m.—4:00 p.m.	Food Pantry

Please join us next Sunday, August 27th at 9:30 a.m. for worship and scripture reading from Matthew 16:13-20.

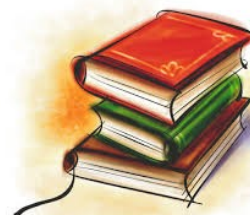
FIRST PRESBYTERIAN STAFF — JOYFULLY SERVING

ALL OF US - Ministers
REV. GILLIAN WEIGHTON - Senior Pastor
REV. STEVE FRINGER - Visitation Pastor
ALEJANDRO ALUMBREROS - Organist & Choir Director
NANCY BUCK - Handbell Choir Director
DORIS DESCHLER - Financial Secretary
SHELLEY MAURER - Church Secretary
MARK PAFFRATH - Music Leader
PEGGY TAYLOR - Parish Nurse

The **Memorial Committee** oversees funds that are donated in honor of or in memory of church members. The Committee directs those funds toward projects that enhance the beauty and historical value of the Church, contribute to the mission and programs of the Church, and respect the memory of the people for whom the money was donated. Rather than going towards routine maintenance, we try to support things that have lasting impact and durability.

The Committee operates in response to requests from Church members. If you have requests, suggestions, need more information, or would like to help with the our committee (we are in need of new members!), contact Royce Earnest: rearnest1@wi.rr.com

The **Daytime Circle** will meet at noon this coming Thursday (the 24th) for the **Newsletter Prep Party**. We invite you to join in the fun. Bring your sack lunch, a positive attitude and a smile!



The September **First Presbyterian Book Group** meeting is Fri., Sept. 20 at 7:00 p.m. Location to be announced. The book is *The Little Red Chairs* by Edna O'Brien, a captivating Irish story by a celebrated master story teller about love, loss, betrayal, identity and redemption.

All are invited to these Book Group meetings - male and female - whether you have read the book or not. For more information please contact Larry or Ellen Cardwell.

THANK YOU TO JB'S LAWN SERVICE FOR THE GREAT JOB THIS WEEK!

I HAVE A DREAM

Unison



- 1 'I have a dream', a man once said,
'where all is perfect peace;
where men and women, black and white,
stand hand in hand, and all unite
* in freedom and in love.'
- 2 But in this world of bitter strife
the dream can often fade;
reality seems dark as night,
we catch but glimpses of the light
Christ sheds on humankind.
- 3 Fierce persecution, war, and hate
are raging everywhere;
God calls us now to pay the price
through struggles and through sacrifice
of standing for the right.
- 4 So dream the dreams and sing the songs,
but never be content;
for thoughts and words don't ease the pain:
unless there's action, all is vain;
faith proves itself in deeds.
- 5 Lord, give us vision, make us strong,
help us to do your will;
don't let us rest until we see
your love throughout humanity
uniting us in peace.

* The last line of each verse is repeated.

Pamela J. Pettitt (1954-2005)