

GOING FORTH TO MINISTER

\*CLOSING HYMN

**“Love Divine, All Loves Excelling” [376]**

\*BENEDICTION

\*SUNG BLESSING

**[384 v. 1]**

**O love that wilt not let me go,  
I rest my weary soul in Thee;  
I give Thee back the life I owe,  
That in Thine ocean depths its flow  
May richer, fuller be.**

POSTLUDE

*Alejandro Alumbremos*

*\*Please stand as you are able.*

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

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**Proverbs 4:11-13**

I will teach you wisdom's ways  
and lead you in straight paths.  
When you walk, you won't be held back;  
when you run, you won't stumble.  
Take hold of my instructions; don't let them go.  
Guard them, for they are the key to life.

**Happy Father's Day!**



**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN  
CHURCH**

**JUNE 18, 2017  
9:30 A.M.**

## GATHERING WITH PRAISE

PRELUDE

*Alejandro Alumbremos*

FIRST THOUGHT

Our identity rests in God's relentless tenderness for us revealed in Jesus Christ.  
*Brennan Manning*

One: The Lord be with you.  
All: And also with you.

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Gathered around the waters of baptism  
All: **We remember that when Jesus was baptized, he was named and claimed as the Beloved.**

One: Gathered around this baptismal font  
All: **We rejoice that we also are named and claimed as God's beloved**  
One: Gathered by these waters of baptism  
All: **We remember our baptism and we celebrate those to be baptized**  
One: Named and claimed, each and all of us, let us worship God

OPENING HYMN

**"For the Beauty of the Earth" [473]**

\*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

*Georgia Herrera*

**Holy God, You are our companion through all of life. You have brought us here today, guided us and loved us. We are Your beloved but we confess we are not always willing to love others. We have ignored those with whom we disagree and hurt those whom we should love the most. Our motives have not always been pure, nor our words always sweet. Forgive us when we fail You and others. Whisper words of forgiveness into our lives, grant us Your peace and claim us again as Your own beloved children. ~ 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

[383 v. 1]

**My faith looks up to Thee, Thou Lamb of Calvary,  
Savior divine: Now hear me while I pray,  
Take all my guilt away, O let me from this day  
Be wholly Thine !**

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

*Kaia Hall Schrage  
Avery J. McGuire*

SONG OF RESPONSE

**"Jesus Loves Me!" [304]**

SCRIPTURE

Isaiah 43:1-7 [O.T. p. 672]

SERMON

**"The Baptismal Font Is Leaking"**  
*Rev. Gillian Weighton*

LIVING THE WORD

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.**

## Prayer Requests



**Prayers for our church family**—including Julia Reeser, Barb Rowe, Bev Eifert, Adrienne Paffrath, Ollie Hopkins, Louise Shapley, Larry Cardwell, Bonnie Eastman, Don and Nancy Tobias, Maggie Seater, Peggy Taylor, Evelyn Vanderheyden, Mary Lou Hill, Annette Anderson, Ed Lehmann, Beth Elzinga, Evelyn Gayhart, Mary Larscheidt—sister of Carrie Massey, Lucille Von Rotz—mother of Diane Lehmann, and the mother of Nicole Higgs.

**Prayers for our military**—Captains Mary & Eddie Callahan, Andy Loth, Lt. Col Jay Brooke, Nicholas Hansen, Christopher Hansen, Jordan Smith, Scott Pence, Chad Lawrence, Kyle Sondergaard.

**Prayers for our friends**— Lt. Col. Matt Brooke—Army, Retired, Karen and Cindy—friends of Bill & Lissy. Please keep Sandy, friend of Shelley, and Sandy's family in your prayers during this time of loss. Healing prayers for those who are going through rough times—whether emotionally, physically or spiritually.

Prayers are requested for our mission partners in Cuba, Pastors Ary & Beidy, along with the congregation of Central Presbyterian Church in Matanzas.

Also keep those in your thoughts and prayers who remain bright, cheery and positive, although they may not have a comfortable place to lay their heads or food to fill their bellies. And a special prayer for all those who lend a helping hand to make the world a brighter place for others.

### 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  
VAL KLASS - Sexton  
SHELLEY MAURER - Church Secretary  
MARK PAFFRATH - Music Leader  
PEGGY TAYLOR - Parish Nurse

### 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 and Baptisms  
Fellowship to follow

Nursery care is available during  
worship service in Room 205.

### STAY CONNECTED

**Website:** firstpresracine.org  
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Racine, WI 53403

### 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!



## MUSIC & MORE THURSDAY, JUNE 22 AT NOON

**Performers:**  
**Sharon Adel & Kristina Beier (flute & piano)**  
**Michael Mueller (vocal)**  
**Nicholas Barootian (vocal)**

## JUNE 18, 2017

GREETERS: Linda Schubert, Mary Lou Schuler  
USHERS: Larry Dickerson, Sharon Campbell, Jen Severson  
PERK-N-POUR: Elie Hunt, Peggy Wagner  
LITURGIST: Georgia Herrera

### CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR THE WEEK OF JUNE 18, 2017

Sun., June 18	9:30 a.m.	Worship and Baptisms
Mon., June 19		Office Closed
Tue., June 20	8:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m.	Office Open Deacons/Session Mtg & Potluck
Wed., June 21	8:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m. 10:00 a.m.—11:30 p.m. 12:00 p.m.—1:00 p.m. 5:00 p.m.—7:00 p.m.	Office Open Intercessory Prayer Group Bible Study Food Pantry
Thu., June 22	8:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m. 12:00 p.m.—1:00 p.m. 2:00—4:00 p.m.	Office Open Music & More Food Pantry <b>Newsletter Deadline</b>
Fri., June 23	8:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m.	Office Open
Sat., June 24	6:00 p.m.—5:00 a.m.	Visiting Youth Group Sleepover

Please join us Sunday the 25<sup>h</sup> at 9:30 a.m.  
for Worship and Graduations.

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#### THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE FOR THE FOOD PANTRY:

WED., JUNE 21<sup>ST</sup> — Jenny Humphreys, Linda Schubert, Megan Humphreys  
THURS., JUNE 22<sup>ND</sup> — Ginny Holle, Mary Ringwalt, Nancy Hennessey

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

# Announcements

## Congregational Meeting

TODAY there will be a congregational meeting directly following service. This will be to receive the names of nomination of officers.

## Bon Voyage to Alice!

ALSO TODAY— following the congregational meeting, please join us for fellowship as we wish Alice Schaefer a fond farewell and a pleasant journey in her next chapter of life!

## Mark Your Calendar!

The Deacons' Picnic will be held on Sunday, July 16<sup>th</sup> at Lockwood Park, located at 4300 Graceland Blvd. Worship begins at 10 a.m., followed by a picnic lunch. Keep an eye open for further details.



## Celebrating Grads

We will be celebrating graduations on Next SUNDAY. There is still time to submit information about your graduate! Please email a small blurb and photo to: [office@firstpresracine.org](mailto:office@firstpresracine.org), no later than Wed., June 21<sup>st</sup>. Thank you to those who have already submitted information!

## Needed in the Pantry ...

Who likes peanut butter? We do! Who Needs Peanut Butter? WE DO!! We are in need of peanut butter, so we're asking for your help to stock up on it.

