

*'Young man,
I say to you,
RISE!'*

Luke 7:14

First Presbyterian Church of South St. Paul

THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST/COMMUNION

June 5, 2016

10:00 a.m.

**please stand in body or in spirit*

GATHERING MUSIC

“Hymns of Creation”

arr. Keveren

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Tom Watson

CENTERING SILENCE

CALL TO WORSHIP (responsive)

Praise the Lord.

Let all who draw breath praise the Lord.

Happy are those whose help is from God—
the One who made heaven and earth,
the One who created the seas and all that is in them.

**Happy are those whose hope is in God—
the One who keeps faith forever,
the One who feeds the hungry
and defends the oppressed.**

God will reign forever, for all generations.

Praise the Lord!

Let all who draw breath praise the Lord.

*HYMN

“Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life”
(vs. 1, 4-6)

Hymnal # 343

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Katie Estes

Giver of life, we have not thanked you enough for each breath we can take, each moment we are alive, each experience we enjoy or endure. We are more likely to complain than to appreciate, to wallow in cries of agony and loss than to pour out joy and gratitude. We repeat our mistakes instead of learning from them. We try to keep you out of our lives instead of turning to you daily and trusting your presence with us. Turn us around, God, that we may feel your healing touch and know your unfailing love. In Christ we ask it. Amen.

***WORDS OF ASSURANCE** (responsive)

There is no greater joy in the heart of God than the moment when a son or daughter opens to the gift of forgiveness. God's Spirit reaches out to assure us of welcome in Christ.

There is nothing that can separate us from the love of God made known to us through Jesus. By grace we are offered new life and we accept this divine gift with great joy and thanksgiving.

Friends, know that in Jesus Christ we are forgiven and be at peace.

***RESPONSE**

"O Christ, the Healer"
(vs. 1-2)

Hymnal # 793

A TIME WITH CHILDREN

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (unison)

Colette Kasper

Compassionate God, whose healing Word is meant for all humankind, let your servants be restored to life this day, that we may not rely on our own traditions but hearken to your voice. Fill us with gladness and joy so we may praise you and not be silent when the world needs to hear you through our voices. This we ask in Christ's name. Amen.

HEBREW SCRIPTURES

I Kings 17: 8-16

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ANTHEM

"Table of Grace"

Harrington, Hutto

Bethany, Emily and Patty Bourgoin

*Hear the good news, you've been invited, no matter what others may say;
Your darkest sins will be forgiven, and you will always have a place.*

*So come, you weak, and heavy hearted, don't try to hide your earthly scars;
For in His eyes we all are equal. Don't be afraid, come as you are.*

*At the table of grace the cup's never empty, the plate's always full and it's never too late
To come and be filled with love never ending. You're always welcome at the table of grace.*

*So let the first become the last, and let the poor put kings to shame;
Their willing hearts will be their treasure, by the power of Jesus' name.*

GOSPEL

Luke 7: 11-17

N.T. p. 65

SERMON

Motivationally Speaking

Tom Watson

RECEPTION OF TITHES & OFFERINGS

INVITATION TO SHARE

OFFERTORY

"Attende Domine"

Kreutz

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER



INVITATION

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING & THE LORD'S PRAYER

COMMUNION HYMN

"In the Singing"

Hymnal # 533

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

SHARING THE BREAD & CUP

(Demonstrating our individual commitment to Christ, please eat the bread when you receive it.

*Demonstrating our unity in Christ, please hold the cup until all have been served,
when we commune together.)*

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION (unison)

O God, through this bread and this cup, you have made us one with you and with each other. May the unity we find at this table be a gift that we carry out into your broken world. Help us to find strength in knowing that you, the God of peace, will always be with us. Amen.

*HYMN

"O For a World"
(vs. 1-4)

Hymnal # 372

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*RESPONSE

"O For a World"
(v. 5)

Hymnal # 372

*POSTLUDE

"Processional for a Joyful Day"

Wood



SERVING US TODAY

Greeters: Linda & Jim Kalbler

Ushers: Bill Hickok, Wayne Otto, Chris Ross,
Teddy Rossow

Lector: Colette Kasper

Communion Servers: Pam Davenport, Kathy
Doyle, Jody Glowaski, Jill Johnson, Ruth
Krueger, Rochelle LeTourneau, Paulette Nitz,
Dian Rech

Coffee Servers: Jody Glowaski, LaVonne Peters

The flowers on the chancel this morning are
provided by Connie & Jim Prall, in honor of
their 39th wedding anniversary.

Music Director: Linda Kachelmeier

Organist: Jen Bierlein

Pastors: Katie Estes, Tom Watson

Youth Coordinator: Ruth Buller

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Eleta Pierce

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Welcome to First Presbyterian Church of South St. Paul. We are delighted that you have joined us to worship the Living God. **If you are a first time worship guest**, we extend a special welcome to you. Know that as our guest, you are invited to participate in any of the programs offered and we do not expect you to contribute when the offering is received. Today, your presence with us is your offering to God.

Photos and/or video may be taken during this worship service. FPC-SSP reserves the right to use said photos or video in church publications, including, but not limited to, bulletins, newsletters, the church website, and social media sites. If you prefer not to appear in these photos or video, please talk to one of the ushers.

If you have a prayer request, please use the yellow request cards in the pews. Give the card to an usher before worship or during the first hymn so it can be included in our prayers of the people today and passed on to the prayer chain as well.

Children of all ages are welcome in our worship service. We also have professional childcare available for infants and children up to 5 years. The nursery is located at the top of the stairs in the upper level of the Education wing and is always available on those days your child may be restless. If you have an infant who begins to cry during the service, feel free to go into the library with your child and continue to hear the service on the speaker.

Please join us after the worship service for a time of fellowship in the Commons. Coffee, juice and treats are available for a minimal charge for members and at no cost for guests. Come and connect with old and new friends as we enjoy fellowship together.

On The Calendar

Today, June 5

- 8:30 a.m. Adult Education
- 10:00 a.m. Worship Service
- 11:00 a.m. Fellowship Hour

Monday, June 6

- 7:00 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous

Tuesday, June 7

- 11:00 a.m. Bob Carlton Memorial
- 6:30 p.m. Property
- 7:00 p.m. Worship Committee
- 7:00 p.m. Youth Ministry

Wednesday, June 8

- 9:00 a.m. Bible Study
- 7:00 p.m. Acoustic Jam
- 7:00 p.m. Bible Study
- 7:00 p.m. Children's Ministry @ Katie's

Thursday, June 9

- Staff Retreat*
- 6:30 p.m. Finance
- 7:00 p.m. Mission

Friday, June 10

- Staff Retreat*
- 7:00 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous

Saturday, June 11

- Staff Retreat*
- 8:30 a.m. Book Group @ MN Vets' Home

Sunday, June 12

- 8:30 a.m. Adult Education
- 10:00 a.m. Worship Service
- 11:00 a.m. Fellowship Hour

Next Sunday, June 12

Scripture: Luke 7:36 - 8:3

Theme: Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

Music: Ross family

Adult Education: "Demystifying the Composing Process" with Linda Kachelmeier



Announcements

This week we will start the Wednesday evening "Acoustic Jam." We will meet for the next three Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m. with the goal of coming up with pieces to play at our outdoor worship service on June 26. No sign-up necessary, just show up!

A reminder that most of the church staff, including pastors, will be out of town and away from the office June 9-11, for a planning retreat. Volunteers will be in the office answering phones on Thursday and Friday, and the pastors will be available via their cell phones if emergency pastoral needs arise.

Evening and overnight shelter hosts needed! Every July our Fellowship Hall becomes a homeless shelter for one month through Interfaith Action of Greater St. Paul's "Project Home." Many of you have volunteered in the past, we are hoping you will return again this year and we hope to see new faces too! Evening shelter hosts volunteer from 5:30 pm to 8:30 pm., overnight shelter hosts volunteer from 8 pm to 7:30 am on weekdays and until 9:30 am on weekends. To volunteer, stop by the Mission Committee table after worship.

Spots are quickly filling for Camp in a Van! From June 27 to July 1, 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., our church becomes a summer camp with help of counselors from Clearwater Forest. Songs, snacks, stories, a campfire, cookout, a mission project and more await kids entering Preschool through 6th grade. The cost is \$40 for the entire week. Junior and Senior High Youth are encouraged to sign up as helpers. Camp registration forms can be found at the kiosk in the Commons.

Our coins (and cash and check) for Malawi equaled \$190.14! See how that little bit of change can add up? The need for clean water is ongoing, and so is our collection. Stop by the water jar by the front doors, take a moment to read more about the Holm family and their ministry, and drop another handful of change into the jar. Thank you!

We are well on our way to reaching our goal of \$183,000 for the Re-Roof, Re-Pair and Re-Store campaign. We have a \$150,000 roof loan to pay off as well as additional building repair needs and we need approximately \$35,000 to restore the organ, but we have received pledges from less than half of the regular pledging members and friends of the church. Please participate in this effort - even a \$5-\$10 a month pledge will help us meet our goal between now and 2019. Gold-colored pledge cards are in the pew pockets. Place in the offering plate or email Financial Secretary Lois Glewwe with your pledge info - lglewwe@hotmail.com.

Compost Class: Master Gardeners will teach us how to transform yard waste and kitchen scraps into black gold. Tuesday, June 14 at 6:30 in the Knox Room. Everyone is welcome - bring friends too.

Mark your calendar for Sunday, June 26—the date for our annual outdoor worship & potluck picnic, at Lorraine Park in South St. Paul. This year, we will have a special focus on the animals in our lives, and will offer an individual blessing for each pet present. This is a great Sunday to invite friends, extended family and neighbors to worship and fellowship with all!