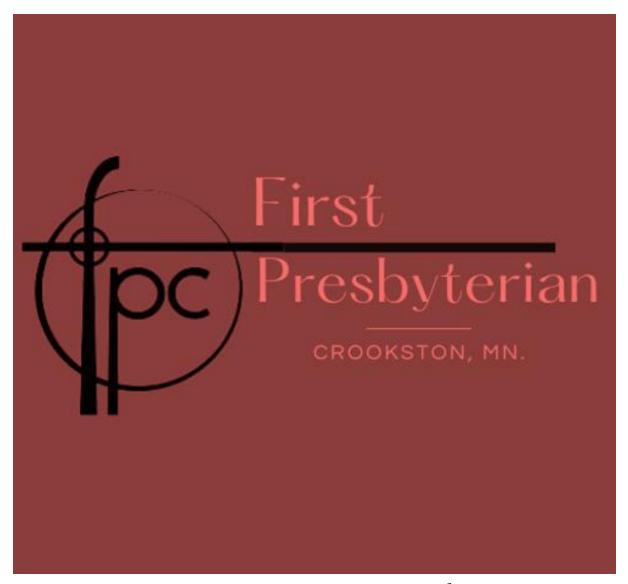
Welcome To Worship



Sunday, February 23rd, 2025



PRELUDE MUSIC

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

SONG OF CONTEMPLATION:

"I Just Want To Praise The Lord"

-Northern Lights Choir

OPENING SENTENCES: From (Responsive)

Beloved community, let us draw the circle wide!

And draw it wider still.

We come — laden with doubts, fears, resentments —

to worship the God who gives us faith, courage, renewal.

We come — overwhelmed with remorse,

or struggling with what it means to forgive —

to worship the God who teaches us true restoration.

We come — with identities varied as the colors of the rainbow — to worship the God who weaves our many threads into one tapestry.

We come, and the circle is drawn wide — and wider — and wider still! Not by our strength, not by our merit, but through God's grace.

GATHERING HYMN

#410 God Is Calling Through The Wisper

KYRIE #627 I Love You Lord

(Confession need not be a somber affair. It can be a joyful and thankful relief. Like dropping a heavy load from tired arms. God's grace means confession can sound as much like "hallelujah" as "I'm sorry". For this reason, we begin and end our "Confession" A joyful song. Express how our confessing is also our act of love for the God who already covers it in grace.)

I Love You Lord To Worship You And I Lift My Voice
Oh My Soul, Rejoice...

CONFESSION OF NEED (Unison)

God of Love,

We know that we are sisters and brothers in Christ.

Each of us is your precious child.

And yet there is division in this family.

There is sibling rivalry, old resentments, new irritations.

We are quick to anger, slow to forgive.

We would rather choose our relatives.

than acknowledge the all-inclusive nature of your family.

Open our hearts to your love,

and show us the way of reconciliation.

Teach us to see each brother and sister with your eyes.

Help us claim our heritage as your own children, and live together in unity as your family.



KYRIE

#627

I Love You Lord

Take Joy My King In What You Hear
May it be a Sweet, Sweet Song In Your Ear.

SILENCE for confession and resting In God's grace.

DECLARATION OF GRACE (responsive)

Do not be distressed or angry with yourselves, for the God who reconciled Joseph and his brothers, can surely reconcile us.

God's mercy extends to everyone.

Rejoice and live in unity! Hallelujah!

RESPONSE HYMN

#59

The Steadfast Love Of The

Lord

PASSING OF THE PEACE



SPECIAL MUSIC:

"Grace" -Bells of Praise

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (Unison)

Holy Spirit, help us hear your voice beyond our inability to hear and understand your word beyond any speaker's ability to explain. Through your word, speak to our hearts even if our heads are not ready to listen.

Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING 1......Genesis 45:3-11, 15

Leader: The word of the Lord. People: Thanks be to God!

SERMON...... Rev. Michael Ozaki

SILENCE FOR COMTEMPLATION

COMTEMPLATION HYMN: #753 Make Me A Channel Of Your Peace

PRAYERS & GIFTS OF THE PEOPLE

Lord in your Mercy. Hear our Prayer.

THE LORD'S PRAYER (forgive us our "sins")

BLESSING AND CHARGE (Responsive)

Beloved children of God receive the gift of the Holy Spirit, the grace of Jesus Christ, and the blessing of the Lord forever.

Alleluia! Amen.

Christ Is Alive (Vs. 1,3 & 5) **CLOSING HYMN** #246

DISMISSAL (Responsive)

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Thanks be to God. Amen.

POSTLUDE (*Please be seated and enjoy the hard work of our talented musicians*)

God Bless and Have a Great Week! Narm Welcome to our Guests and Visitors.

If you are interested in finding out more about the church community or are interested in becoming a member, please contact us at:

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Sunday- February 23rd

10:45 am Worship 11:45 am Coffee Fellowship

Ushers & Greeters	Connor & Katie Morgan
Organist	Hazel Mendez
Music Director	Sandy Perkins
Reader	Sandy Perkins

Wednesday Feb. 25 th	Thursday Feb 26 th
6:00pm – Bells	1:00pm- Book Study

Next Sunday- March 2nd

10:45 am Worship 11:45 am Coffee Fellowship

Ushers & Greeters	Mario & Jill Schisano
Organist	George French
8	Sandy Perkins
Reader	Marsha Odom
Communion Server	Glen Finkenbinder
	Gloria Watro

Special Announcements!

A big thank you to everyone who contributed to our next newsletter and to Barb for putting it all together for us! The collaborative newsletter for March, April and May will be going to print next week and I will have copies available in the office by March 1st. If you would like it mailed or emailed to you, please let Anne or Pastor Mike know.



Our annual meeting will be the 3rd week of March so for those of you who contribute reports, please submit them to the office

NO LATER THAN MARCH 1ST



Sunday, April 13 10:30 a.m.-12 p.m.

You're invited to a time of fun, fellowship and delicious food!!! We are needing individuals/families to make and share their family favorites (sample sizes) and people to come enjoy the meal of delectable samples!!! A variety of savory and sweet will be available, along with recipes to take home:)

Free Will Donation

PROCEEDS GO TOWARDS
TRINITY YOUTH ACTIVITIES/TRIPS

Please contact Leah @ 289-3250 or 281-4276 if you are willing to make and share a FAMILY FAVORITE:)



TRINITY MIDDLE SCHOOL
BIBLE CAMP

PIZZA FUNDRAISER

FEBRUARY 23-MARCH 12 DELIVERY DATE: THUR, MARCH 20

Please contact Trinity Middle School Youth or place order in office or Fellowship Hall Table on Sunday Mornings or Wednesdays in Lent. Pizzas delivered fresh, but able to freeze. Cost is \$15-18/pizza, \$4/pizza goes directly to Bible Camp.

