# A Warm Welcome to our Guests and Visitors!

Our church has a wonderful array of ministries that seek to spread the gospel into the world. 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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### Calendar for this week:

Sunday, September 19

10:30 am Worship

11:30 am Coffee Fellowship

Preaching...... Rev. Karla Mickelson

Ushers & Greeters...... Glen & Marlys Finkenbinder

Organist......Hannah KruegerMusic Director......Sandy PerkinsReader......Sandy Perkins

Coffee Fellowship .....

3 pm Installation Service for Pastor Mike

**Followed by Reception** 

Wednesday, September 22

5 pm Bell Rehearsal

**Thursday, September 23** 

1 pm Book Study

"What Is The Bible"

Next Sunday, September 26

10:30 am Worship

11:30 am Coffee Fellowship

Preaching...... Rev. Michael Ozaki

Ushers & Greeters...... Ralph Pester / Marlys Mjoen

Organist.....

Music Director.....Sandy PerkinsReader.....Marsha Odom

Coffee Fellowship .....

# First Presbyterian Church

17th Sunday after Pentecost Sunday, September 19, 2021

\*Those who are able may stand

PREWORSHIP FELLOWSHIP
PRELUDE MUSIC
WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS
MINUTE FOR MISSIONS
SONG OF CONTEMPLATION



\*CALL TO WORSHIP (Responsive)

When the world around us seems to shake

God's love is our foothold, which shall not be moved.

When life within us is dry and parched,

God's word is our wellspring, our fount of living water.

Let us worship the One who offers us wisdom

And teaches us how to serve.

\*GATHERING HYMN #399....."God Welcomes All" (4x)

**CONFESSION and FORGIVENESS (Unison)** 

Lord, You told us that whoever wants to be first must be last and servant to all. But we still long to be first and dread being last. Forgive us, O humble Christ, and by your forgiveness, teach us. Teach us to reframe our priorities. Teach us not to fear being left behind. Teach us to be servants first and let our lives flow from a heart of faith.

SILENT CONFESSION

**DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS** 

\*RESPONSE HYMN #839 ....."Blessed Assurance"

#### PRAYER OF THE DAY (Unison)

O God, our teacher and guide, you draw us to yourself and welcome us as beloved children. Help us to lay aside all envy and selfish ambition, that we may walk in your ways of wisdom and understanding as SERVANTS of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

#### \*SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

The Peace of Christ be with you! And Also, with you! Let us share a sign of God's peace with one another.



#### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (Unison)

God of the here and now – We have heard the words,
"For God so loved the world that he gave his only son,"
time and time again. We have read them on billboards, heard
them in worship, and seen them on signs. And yet we know,
there is a difference between hearing those words in passing and
truly, deeply listening. We long to listen, God. We long to hear
your truth. We long to know your love. Open our hearts and
minds. We are listening.

Amen.

#### **SCRIPTURE**

FIRST READING ...... Jeremiah 11:18-20 (pg 792)

SECOND READING......James 3:13-4:3 (pg 248)

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

GOSPEL READING .......Mark 9:30-37(pg 46)

Leader: The Word of the Lord. People: Praise to You, O Christ

SERMON Rev. Karla Mickelson

SILENCE FOR REFLECTION

\*HYMN OF THE DAY #<u>727</u>....."Will You Let Me Be Your Servant"
(Vs. 1,2,3 & 6)

#### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

L: Lord in your Mercy. *C: 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.

\*CLOSING HYMN #757....."Today We All Are Called to Be Disciples"

#### \*DISMISSAL (Responsive)

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

\*POSTLUDE



## Please continue to be in prayer for:

Bladen Melsa JoAnn Westburg
Brent Blake Chuck Mullins II
Curt Hoppe Hank Koza

Alex Gullingsrud & Family

Glen & Marlys's nephew, Duane