

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church;  
the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins;  
the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD

THE CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH  
CONGREGATIONAL LIFE  
THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

OFFERTORY                    "A Quiet Reverie"                    (Riggs)

✦ DOXOLOGY                "**O Bless the Gifts**"                    #817

O bless the gifts our hands have brought;  
And bless the work our hearts have planned.  
Ours is the faith, the will, the thought;  
The rest, O God is in Your hand.

✦ PRAYER OF DEDICATION

**You pour out your love upon us, O God; you give us eternal life. As your mercy is made manifest in Jesus, may thanks giving be shown by our gifts. Accept what we offer as signs of our humble gratitude for all that you do on our behalf. Make us useful servants of Christ in bringing your sons and daughters to a greater sense of your glory.**

✦ HYMN                      "Freely, Freely"                    #436

✦ BENEDICTION

✦ POSTLUDE                "Postlude in A Minor"                    (Ashford)



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# FIRST UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Rev. Mark Gabbard

Music - Kay E. Boyne / Liturgist - Mark Strange

May 21, 2023

Seventh Sunday of Easter



## OUR APPROACH TO GOD

PRELUDE "The Church's One Foundation" (Denton)

INTROIT "When I Look into Your Holiness" (Perrin)

### CALL TO WORSHIP

Let the righteous be joyful; let them exult before God; let them be jubilant with joy.

**We ascribe you all power and majesty, O God, and sing you our praises.**

Awesome is God in the sanctuary, the same God of Israel who gives power and strength to the people.

**We ascribe you all power and majesty, O God, and sing you our praises.**

Let us worship God!

### PRAYER OF PRAISE AND ADORATION

✦ HYMN "To God Be the Glory" #56

### ✦ LITANY OF ASSURANCE

Rejoice in so far as you share Christ's sufferings, that you may be glad when Christ's glory is revealed.

**To God be the dominion for ever and ever.**

Humble yourselves under God's mighty hand, that in due time God may exalt you.

**To God be the dominion for ever and ever.**

Cast all your anxieties on God, for God cares about you.

**To God be the dominion for ever and ever.**

Be sober, be watchful. Your enemy the devil prowls around seeking some one to devour.

**To God be the dominion for ever and ever.**

✦ GLORIA PATRI "Glory Be to the Father" #812  
*Glory be to the Father,  
and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost,  
As it was in the beginning,  
is now and ever shall be  
world without end. Amen, Amen.*

✦ PASSING OF THE PEACE  
The peace of God be with you.  
**And also with you.**  
Greet one another in Peace.

ANTHEM "Tender Lord, Precious Lord" (Wagner)

CHILDREN'S SERMON  
*(children are dismissed to the Classrooms for Sunday School)*

### RECOGNITION OF TEACHERS AND STUDENTS

## THE WORD OF GOD

Acts 1:6 – 14 (pages 102 – 103, NT)  
1 Peter 4:12 - 14, 5:6 - 11 (page 208)  
John 17:1 – 11 (page 97, NT)

SERMON "Non-Negotiable"

\* HYMN "Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty" #3

✦ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH The Apostles' Creed  
Let us say what we believe.  
**I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the virgin Mary; suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended to heaven and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.**

# About First United Presbyterian Church

## Church Staff

## To Our Visitors

**Minister:** Rev. Mark D. Gabbard  
*pastor@soopresbyterian.org*

**Commissioned Ruling Elder:** Brenda Ransom

**Clerk of Session:** Jessica Kuenzer

**President of Trustees:** Michael Lussier

**Chairman of Deacons:** Jeanne Shibley

**Music Director/Organist:** Kay E. Boyne

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**Pastor's Office Hours:** 9:15 AM to 12:00 PM (Monday-Friday)  
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**Hearing Assistance**  
 devices are available. If you would like to use a receiver, please ask an Usher for assistance.

Welcome! We are happy to have you worshipping with us today.


- ✦ Sunday Worship - 10:00 AM  
*(Children join the worship service for the first 15 minutes to hear the Children's Sermon)*
- ✦ Sunday School - 10:15 AM  
*K through 12th Grade - all meet in lower level classrooms*
- ✦ The nursery is available for your use during the worship service.
- ✦ An asterisk (\*) preceding a service element indicates the congregation should stand.
- ✦ **Bold** indicates congregation participation.
- ✦ Soup and Sandwich is held the 1st Sunday of each month in the Social Hall. Please join us!
- ✦ If you need the Pastor after hours, call Church Office to make appointment, or ask Nicole for Pastor Mark's cell phone number.

**Please Silence**  
**all electronics**  
**prior to worship**  
**service.**



***The Purpose of the First United Presbyterian Church is to:***  
***Invite people to know and glorify God***  
***Grow together as followers of Christ***  
***Serve others through the power of the Holy Spirit***

### This Week's Calendar May 21 - May 28, 2023

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	
9:00am Coffee Hour (WR) 9:15am Choir Practice (MR) 10:00am Worship Service 10:15am Sunday School 11:15am Deacons Meeting <b>Graduation Recognition</b>	5:30pm Session Meeting 7:00pm Boy Scout Troop #105 (SH)	12:00pm P.W. Meeting (SH) 3:30pm Food Pantry 6:00pm Boy Scouts (WR)	
Wednesday	 <i>Presbyterian Church (USA)</i>		
6:00pm Choir Practice (S)			
Friday	Saturday	Sunday	
9:00am Men's Bible Study (WR)	7:00pm A.A.	9:00am Coffee Hour (WR) 9:15am Choir Practice (MR) 10:00am Worship Service 10:15am Sunday School	



## IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS THIS WEEK

We ask that you remember these people in your prayers throughout the coming week:

Dolores Leuvoy, Patty Russell, Carolyn Trumble, Susan Alexander, Robert Corbin, Erick Florip, Terry Mason, Scott Wallace, Nellie Harrington, Aaron Corbiere, Carolyn Shaw, Della Porter, Gina Gough, Jon Burgess, Kimberly (Swick) Jewell, Jeffrey Burgess, Donna LaPlaunt, Sandy Shaw, Jane Kellan, William Kellan, Patricia Farnhill, Geraldine Carnahan, Lillian Donelson, Dave & Leslie Henderson, Tara Jean Brody, and all members of missionaries, and the U.S. Armed Forces.

**Please keep us up to date on your prayer request.**

**If you would to add individuals to the prayer list or your prayers have been answered and you would like to be removed from the list, please contact the office**



### **VISITORS, WELCOME TO THE FIRST UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH!**

We pray you'll be nourished in faith as you hear God's message for you. Jesus welcomed everyone; that is our aim, too. Whether you're here for the first time or the thousandth, we count ourselves blessed by your presence. Persons interested in more information about First United Presbyterian Church, or in joining this congregation, are invited to fill out a 'Welcome' card found in the pews, or call the church office. Please be sure to sign our Guest Book near the entrance to the Sanctuary. Thank you for worshipping with us today.

**DEACON PRAYER CHAIN** Please remember the Deacon Prayer Chain, if you, or someone you know, are in need of prayers. Contact Jeanne Shibley at (906) 630-1707.

**PRAYER REQUESTS** We have Prayer Request slips available in the narthex, near the sanctuary doors. If you would like to request prayers today, please fill out a slip and hand it to one of the ushers prior to the service.

**RIDES TO CHURCH** If anyone needs a ride to church, please contact the church office before Friday of each week and the Deacons will arrange a pick up time.

**BULLETIN BOARD** Please visit the bulletin board across from the office for information concerning local events, news, and resources available in the community.

**CHOIR PRACTICE** Choir meets on Wednesdays at 6:00pm in the Sanctuary; and Sunday at 9:15am, all are invited to come sing with us!

**PW FUNDRAISERS** The PW famous Dish Cloths are for sale at \$1.25 each. Buy several —the price is right! Get yours today! Ultimate Cloths, no chemicals needed, cleans with just water using MiraFiber technology! Guaranteed 5 years general use! Come on in to the Church office and get yours for only \$6 or 5 for \$25. Presbyterian Women's Second Edition Favorite Salads cookbook also available in church office for only \$8!

**TEXTILE SOCIAL** The Textile Social Group meets the 1st, 3rd, and 4th Thursday of each month, from 10:00am to 1:00pm in the Social Hall.

**WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY** Our Women's bible study group'd May Mission is again asking for non-food items for our FUPC food pantry, such as paper towels, laundry soap, toothpaste, soap, and toilet paper. We appreciate the support you have given in the past, and prayerfully ask for your continued support. If you want to suggest an organization for future support, please see Nicole in the church office or talk to any of us in the Bible study group.

**WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY** Will not be meeting until September, have a great summer!

**FUPC MEETINGS** Deacons will meet today at 11:15am.

**HIAWATHALAND COMMUNITY CHORUS CONCERT** Will be held at 7:00 pm on June 8th at Rudyard Christian Reformed Church (17970 S. Tilson Rd). Our very own Loren Corbin, and Jill Halsey will be performing, so come on out and show your support!



### **SERVING US THIS WEEK**

**Greeters:** Cheryl Thoreson & Alegra Soorus

**Ushers:** Charlie Zane, Margaret Money, Alegra Soorus, & Audrey Zane  
Paul Sabourin

### **SERVING US NEXT WEEK**

**Greeters:** Cheryl Thoreson & Alegra Soorus

**Ushers:** Cheryl Thoresen, and JoAnne Lussier

**Last week's attendance: 90**

**Last week's offering: \$2,080**