

Community Presbyterian Church
Lac Du Flambeau, WI

DATE: August 31, 2025
PASTOR: The Rev. Chips C. Paulson
PIANIST: Rebecca Wright

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

PRELUDE: “God Leads Us Along.”

INTROIT:

Surely, the presence of the Lord is in this place.

I can feel his mighty power and his grace.

I can hear the brush of angel’s wings, I see glory on each face.

Surely, the presence of the Lord is in this place.

CALL TO WORSHIP:

Leader: This is a day that the Lord has made,

People: Let us rejoice and be glad in it,

Leader: Let us worship God: Sisters and brothers in Christ, we come to worship the God of our salvation,

People: and we gather to ask our Lord for what is most essential.

Leader: Give us a pure heart that we may see you,

People: A humble heart that we may hear you,

Leader: A heart of love that we may serve you,

People: A heart of faith that we may abide in you.

--Dag Hammarskjöld (1905-1961)

***HYMN 463** “How Firm a foundation.”

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16

Loving God, we suffer. We suffer from this nature of sin that corrupts even our best attempts to please you. We suffer from brokenness that plagues us with self-centeredness and fear. We inflict suffering on others by our thoughtless and judgmental attitudes. We suffer from discontentment, from comparisons to others, from the worship of false gods. We run after every new and empty promise -- promises of security, ease, meaning, or intimacy -- but it is all in

vain, for only in you will we find proper rest and peace. Forgive us, Lord. Forgive our idolatry, our refusal to give up lordship of our lives, our forgetfulness of your grace and faithfulness. Continue to call us back to yourself and thank you for never giving up on us.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Lord Jesus, you yourself carried our sins in your body to the cross so that we, being free from sin, might live in the power of your resurrection. By your wound we are healed. Amen.

HYMN RESPONSE

Lead me, Lord, lead me in your righteousness. Make Your way plain before my face. For it is You, Lord, You Lord only, that makes me to dwell in safety.

PASSING OF CHRIST’S PEACE

***RESPONSE: “Let There Be Peace On Earth”**

CHOIR: “Just a Closer Walk with Thee.”

CALL TO PRAYER

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession

Leader: God of Grace People Respond: Hear us Lord.

The Lord’s Prayer (Ecumenical Version)

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

SHARING OF OUR GIFTS

Offertory “Only Trust Him; Jesus.”

*Doxology

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Blessed are you, God of all creation; through your goodness, we have these gifts to share. Accept and use our offerings for your glory and for the service of your kingdom. Blessed be God forever. Amen.

***HYMN 343** *“Where Cross the Crowded Ways
of Life.”*

SECOND SCRIPTURE AND SERMON:
Selections from Luke 14

***HYMN 722** *“Lord, Speak to Me that I May
Speak.”*

*** BENEDICTION**

***CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE:**

*Grant us Thy peace upon our homeward way.
With Thee began, with Thee shall end the day.
Guard thou the lips from sin, the hearts from shame.
That in this house have called upon thy name. Amen.*

Pastor: Rev. Chips Paulson
Liturgist: Delma Erikson
Pianist: Rebecca Wright
Coffee Hour: Delma Erikson

*** RESPONSE**

*** POSTLUDE:** *(PLEASE STAND AS YOU ARE ABLE)*
Birthdays and Anniversaries

There are no known Birthdays this week

Anniversaries

Frank and Nancy DiCristina Sept. 3

**We welcome Rev. Chips Paulson to our church once again and
are extremely grateful for him taking the time to help us out and
fill our Pulpit Supply needs.**

**We have Breakfast group at “The Holiday Café” on Wednesday
mornings at 8:30 AM. The Café is located in Woodruff on Hwy 47
just 1 block east of Hwy 51. All are welcome. It’s a fun
fellowship time.**