

**Community Presbyterian Church
Lac Du Flambeau, WI**

DATE: August 16, 2026
PASTOR: The Rev. Chips C. Paulson
PIANIST: Rebecca Wright

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

PRELUDE: No One Understands Like Jesus

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:**

This is a day that the Lord has made,

Let us rejoice and be glad in it,

Let us worship God! O give thanks to the Lord, call on his name,
make known his deeds among the peoples.

**P.: Sing to the Lord, sing praises to the God of Jacob; tell of
all God's wonderful works.**

**Glory in the God's holy name; let the hearts of those who seek
the Lord rejoice.**

L.: Seek the Lord and God's strength; seek God's presence
continually.

**P.: We remember the wonderful works our God has done, the
Lord's miracles, and the judgements God uttered,**

L.: We do remember, O God, that we are your people, the sheep
of your hand, and we lift-up our songs of praise in your name.

***HYMN 12 "Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise."**

FIRST READING Romans 10:5-15
RESPONSIVE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

- Leader: Lord, your word is near us, yet we quietly
mumble litanies of self-justification rather than
submitting to your grace.

- **People: Forgive our strained attempts to earn your
favor, justify illicit actions, and excuse darkened
thoughts.**
- Leader: Help us instead to submit to your
righteousness that in Christ is already freely given.
- **People: Lord, you break down human barriers and
richly bless all who call on your name.**
- Leader: Forgive our subtle prejudices and the
exclusive boundaries we draw around your mercy.
- **People: You send us to embody good news, yet we let
fear and self-preservation silence our witness.**
- Leader: Forgive our mute voices, and our failure to
express your love.
- **People: Lord, we attempt to justify our actions,
excuse our words, and pardon our thoughts.**
- Leader: O God, through Christ, free us to live in your
grace and in that grace may we rest in your presence.
Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

- Leader: Hear the truth of the gospel: "No one who
believes in Christ will be put to shame," for
"everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be
saved."
- **People: Thanks be to God!**

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

Gloria Patri

CHOIR: "How Can I Keep From Singing"

CALL TO PRAYER

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession

Leader: God of Grace, People, receive our prayers

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 "I'll Give Him Everything."

*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 462 "I Love To Tell the Story."**

GOSPEL AND SERMON: Selections from Matthew 14

***HYMN 738 "O Master Let Me Walk With Thee."**

*** 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: Bill Nienaber

Pianist: Rebecca Wright

Coffee Hour: Rebecca Wright

*** RESPONSE**

*** POSTLUDE:** *(PLEASE STAND AS YOU ARE ABLE)*

