

**First Presbyterian Church  
Chippewa Falls, WI  
Worship Service  
August 15, 2021 – 10:15 AM**

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**CALL TO WORSHIP:**

One: I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart, in company with the congregation.

**All: Your work is full of honor and majesty, O God, and your righteousness endures forever.**

One: The works of your hands are faithful and just; all your precepts are trustworthy.

**All: The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom; all those who practice it have a good understanding.**

One: Let us worship God!

**INVITATION TO CONFESSION:** The Lord is near to the brokenhearted, and saves those who are crushed in spirit. Let us confess our sin before God and our neighbor. (Ps. 34:18).

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE OF PARDON:**

**All: O God, deliver us from the burden of sin as we make our confession. Remove the scales from our eyes, for we overlook neighbors in need. Cleanse us of selfishness, which keeps us from serving them. Purge us of vanity, since we expect them to be grateful. Help us not to brood over the seeming ingratitude of some we serve. Restore us by Christ's redeeming sacrifice, and purify our intentions. Make us fit for your service. In Christ's name we pray.**

One: Jesus has said, "I am the light of the world; those who follow me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life." "Therefore, it is said, 'Awake, O sleeper, and arise from the dead, and Christ shall give you light.'" Arise; walk in the light, since in Christ you are forgiven.

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE:**

**THE LORD'S PRAYER:**

...Our Father, who art in Heaven. Hallowed be Thy name. Thy Kingdom come. Thy will be done, on earth, as it is in Heaven. Give us this day, our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the Kingdom, and the power and the glory forever. AMEN

**FIRST SCRIPTURE READING:**

**Psalm 34: 9-14**

O fear the Lord, you his holy ones, for those who fear him have no want. The young lions suffer want and hunger, but those who seek the Lord lack no good thing. Come, O children, listen to me; I will teach you the fear of the Lord. Which of you desires life, and covets many days to enjoy good? Keep your tongue from evil, and your lips from speaking deceit. Depart from evil, and do good; seek peace, and pursue it.

**GOSPEL:**

**John 6:51-58**

"I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh."

The Jews then disputed among themselves, saying, "How can this man give us his flesh to eat?" So Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood have eternal life, and I will raise them up on the last day; for my flesh is true food and my blood is true drink. Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them. Just as the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me. This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like that which your ancestors ate, and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live forever."

**SERMON:**

**Rev. Sandee Kosmo**

"Living Without Answers"

**CLOSING PRAYER AND BENEDICTION:**

**POSTLUDE:**