

**First Presbyterian Church  
Chippewa Falls, WI  
Worship Service  
July 10, 2022 ~ 10:15 AM**

**Asterisks (\*)** in the worship order are invitations to stand, if able.

\*\*\*Regulars and visitors alike, thank you for being here and bringing your worship to share with us. To enhance everyone's worship experience, please silence your cell phones. Thanks for helping.

**PRELUDE**

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**GATHERING SONG:** "Take, Oh Take Me As I Am"

GTG 698

**TIME OF CENTERING**

(We share a communal time of silence as we center our hearts and minds for worship. Worship Leader will end the silence with an Amen.)

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

**Colossians 1**

**One:** We have heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and of the love that you have for all the saints.

**All:** **We have heard of this hope before in the word of the truth, the gospel that has come to us.**

**One:** We have not ceased praying for you and asking that you may be filled with the knowledge of God's will.

**All:** **So that we may lead lives worthy of the Lord as we bear fruit in every good work.**

**One:** Let us worship God!

**\*HYMN**

**"Christ of the Upward Way"**

**No. 344**

**\*INVITATION TO CONFESSION, PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

**One:** If we claim that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. But, if we confess our sin, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sin, and will cleanse us from all unrighteousness. Let us confess our sin before God and our neighbors. (I John 1; 8 & 9)

**All:** **God of compassion, we confess before you that we have sinned. We have passed by your neighbors, and ignored opportunities to show them mercy. We have mocked their misery by making excuses to avoid their plight. We who have been taught the law of love practice instead the law of self-interest. Forgive us, we pray, for the sake of the Christ who came to bind up the wounds of the one by the side of the road.**

**One:** Hear Paul's words when he writes of God, who has transferred us from the dominion of darkness to the care of Christ our Savior. So, walk in Christ's love with assurance of your redemption and the forgiveness of sins.

**\*SONG RESPONSE “Gloria Patri”**

**No. 579**

**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**

**One:** Having received forgiveness and grace, let us share the peace of Christ with one another” May the peace of Christ be with you.

**All:** **And also with you.**

**SPECIAL MUSIC “God Is Love”**

**Jerry Way**

**RENEWAL OF MARRIAGE VOWS**

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

**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

**\*HYMN OF PREPARATION “Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart” No 326 vs 1-3**

**FIRST SCRIPTURE READING: Colossians 1:1-14**

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and Timothy our brother, To the saints and faithful brothers and sisters in Christ in Colossae: Grace to you and peace from God our Father.

In our prayers for you we always thank God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, for we have heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and of the love that you have for all the saints, because of the hope laid up for you in heaven. You have heard of this hope before in the word of the truth, the gospel that has come to you. Just as it is bearing fruit and growing in the whole world, so it has been bearing fruit among yourselves from the day you heard it and truly comprehended the grace of God. This you learned from Epaphras, our beloved fellow servant. He is a faithful minister of Christ on your behalf, and he has made known to us your love in the Spirit.

For this reason, since the day we heard it, we have not ceased praying for you and asking that you may be filled with the knowledge of God's will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, so that you may lead lives worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to him, as you bear fruit in every good work and as you grow in the knowledge of God. May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, and may you be prepared to endure everything with patience, while joyfully giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son,<sup>4</sup>in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

**GOSPEL     Luke 10:25-37**

Just then a lawyer stood up to test Jesus. "Teacher," he said, "what must I do to inherit eternal life?" He said to him, "What is written in the law? What do you read there?" He answered, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbor as yourself." And he said to him, "You have given the right answer; do this, and you will live."

But wanting to justify himself, he asked Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?" Jesus replied, "A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell into the hands of robbers, who stripped him, beat him, and went away, leaving him half dead. Now by chance a priest was going down that road; and when he saw him, he passed by on the other side. So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. But a Samaritan while traveling came near him; and when he saw him, he was moved with pity. He went to him and bandaged his wounds, having poured oil and wine on them. Then he put him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him. The next day he took out two denarii, gave them to the innkeeper, and said, 'Take care of him; and when I come back, I will repay you whatever more you spend.' Which of these three, do you think, was a neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of the robbers?" He said, "The one who showed him mercy." Jesus said to him, "Go and do likewise."

**SERMON**

**Rev. Joseph O'Donnell**

**\*CLOSING HYMN     "I've Got Peace Like a River"     No. 368**

**\*CLOSING PRAYER AND BENEDICTION**

**\*COMMISSION**

**One:**     Our worship in the sanctuary has ended

**All:**     **Our service in the world begins.**

**POSTLUDE**

