

**First Presbyterian Church
Chippewa Falls, WI
Worship Service
March 14, 2021 – 10:15AM**

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Gathering Song: “Take, O Take Me As I Am” **GTG698**

Take, O take me as I am;
Summon out what I shall be:
Set your seal upon my heart and live in me.

CALL TO WORSHIP: Psalm 107

One: We give you thanks, O God, for you are good, your steadfast love endures forever.

All: When we cried to you with our troubles, Oh Lord, you saved us from our distress.

One: We give you thanks, O God, for your wonderful works to all of humanity.

All: Hear now our offerings of praise and thanksgiving, as we tell of your deeds with songs of joy.

One: Let us worship God!

HYMN: “Great is Thy Faithfulness” **No. 276**

INVITATION TO CONFESSION:

One: The proof of God’s amazing love is this: while we were sinners Christ died for us. Because we have faith in him we dare to approach God with confidence. Let us confess our sin against God and our neighbor. (Rom. 5:8 & Heb. 4:16)

PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE OF PARDON:

All: O God, in Christ Jesus you proclaimed your love for all creation. Have mercy on us as we confess our sin. We have overpopulated the earth and violated its goodness. We have depleted nature of its vital resources. Pollution besets us; waters lie stagnant. We care not for ourselves as temples, nor for communities as buildings not built with hands. We plead for forgiveness and ask for your guidance. Help us to be disciplined in taking care of your gifts, lest in neglecting them we lose them forever.

One: Know that God is rich in mercy. Even though we are dead through our trespasses. God’s great love for us makes us alive through Jesus the Christ. We are thus saved by God’s grace. Live in the assurance that, as we confess our sin, through Christ’s intercession on our behalf we are forgiven.

