First Presbyterian Church Chippewa Falls, WI **Worship Service** November 6, 2022 – 10:15 AM

PRELUDE:

WELCOME:

Pastor Ken: Good Morning, welcome to worship here at First Presbyterian Church of

Chippewa Falls. I am so glad that we can worship together, both in person and on

ZOOM as well.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Session will meet in the library following worship today. Session has decided to call the annual congregational meeting for Sunday, December 4 immediately following service. The purpose of this meeting will be to elect church leaders for 2023 and review the 2023 budget.

TIME OF CENTERING:

Pastor Ken: How are you doing today? How has your last week been? I hope we can set it aside for a few moments so we can invite God to make God's presence known to us. I would like to invite you to sit back, relax and get comfortable. Take a couple of deep breaths, close your eyes, and think about God being present with you, where you are, right now. Slowly breathe in God's peace, and slowly exhale your anxieties and fears. Breathe in God's Peace, and exhale your anxieties and fears. Take a moment to savor that and to invite God's Spirit to be present with you, and with each of us as we seek to worship God together. (PAUSE)

> **Centering Prayer:** Let your Spirit come, Fall upon us now. Let your Spirit come, Fall upon us now.

Let your rain fall down, Fall upon our souls, Come and wash us now, Come and make us whole.

Let your Spirit come, Fall upon us now. Let your Spirit come, Fall upon us now. AMEN

GATHERING SONG: "Take, O Take Me As I Am" **GTG698**

CALL TO WORSHIP:

Psalm 145

One: Every day I will bless you, and praise your name forever and ever.

All: Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised; your greatness, O God, is

unsearchable.

One: You fulfill the desire of all who fear you; you bear their cries and save them.

All: My mouth will speak the praise of the Lord, and bless your holy name for ever and

ever.

One: Let us worship God!

HYMN:

"His Eye Is On the Sparrow"

No. GTG661

INVITATION TO CONFESSION, PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE OF PARDON:

One: Jesus said, 'Come to me all you who labor and are heavily burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls, for my yoke is easy and my burden is light. Let us confess our sin before God and our neighbor. (Matt. 11:28-30)

All: Holy and merciful God, in your presence we confess our sinfulness, our shortcomings, and our offenses against you. You alone know how often we have sinned in wandering from your ways, in wasting your gifts, in forgetting your love.

Have mercy on us, O Lord, for we are ashamed and sorry for all we have done to displease you. Forgive our sins, and help us to live in your light, and walk in your ways, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Savior.

One: Hear the good news! The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. He himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, so that we might be dead to sin and be alive to all that is good. Friends, hear and believe the Good News.

All: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

SONG RESPONSE "Gloria Patri" No. 579

PASSING THE PEACE:

One: Peace be with you All: And also with you

(There will be no individual expressions of Passing the Peace.)

BUILDING THE MORNING PRAYER

"In the mist of early morning, you are there;

In the fading light of evening, you are there;

You are there when we are joyful, you're there when we must grieve,

Yes in each and every moment, you are there."

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND 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: "You Satisfy the Hungry Heart" No. GTG523 vs 1-3

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING: Psalm 98:1-9

O sing to the Lord a new song, for he has done marvelous things. His right hand and his holy arm have gained him victory.

The Lord has made known his victory; he has revealed his vindication in the sight of the nations. He has remembered his steadfast love and faithfulness to the house of Israel. All the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God.

Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth; break forth into joyous song and sing praises. Sing praises to the Lord with the lyre, with the lyre and the sound of melody. With trumpets and the sound of the horn make a joyful noise before the King, the Lord.

Let the sea roar, and all that fills it; the world and those who live in it. Let the floods clap their hands; let the hills sing together for joy at the presence of the Lord, for he is coming to judge the earth. He will judge the world with righteousness, and the peoples with equity.

GOSPEL: Luke 20:27-38

Some Sadducees, those who say there is no resurrection, came to him and asked him a question, "Teacher, Moses wrote for us that if a man's brother dies, leaving a wife but no children, the man shall marry the widow and raise up children for his brother. Now there were seven brothers; the first married, and died childless; then the second and the third married her, and so in the same way all seven died childless. Finally the woman also died. In the resurrection, therefore, whose wife will the woman be? For the seven had married her."

Jesus said to them, "Those who belong to this age marry and are given in marriage; but those who are considered worthy of a place in that age and in the resurrection from the dead neither marry nor are given in marriage. Indeed they cannot die anymore, because they are like angels and are children of God, being children of the resurrection. And the fact that the dead are raised Moses himself showed, in the story about the bush, where he speaks of the Lord as the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob. Now he is God not of the dead, but of the living; for to him all of them are alive."

SERMON: Rev. Ken Ribe

HYMN OF PREPARATION FOR COMMUNION:
"Here I am, Lord"
No 525 vs. 1 and 3

INVITATION TO COMMUNION:

DISTRIBUTION OF THE ELEMENTS:

CLOSING PRAYER AND BENEDICTION:

BENEDICTION CHORUS: "Prayer of Good Courage"

POSTLUDE: