
Order of Service

Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

July 7, 2024

Welcome to worship service at the First Presbyterian Church in Palestine, IL. Whether you are here in person, or watching us online, we are honored that you have chosen to worship with us!

****INDICATES TO PLEASE STAND IF ABLE TO DO SO.**

GATHERING

Gathering Music

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

As our prelude is played, let us quiet our soul with meditation and prayer.

Call to Worship

We come from the day-to-day busyness of our lives.

We come with cares and worries, joys and celebrations.

Let us set it all aside and enter this time of worship.

May our hearts and minds be open to what God might say to us this day.

Trusting always in the Spirit to meet us,

let us gather to worship God!

****Opening Hymn** *Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee*

Blue Hymnal #464 verses 1&2

Joyful, joyful, we adore Thee, God of glory, Lord of love;
Hearts unfold like flow'rs before Thee, Op'ning to the sun above.
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness; Drive the gloom of doubt away;
Giver of immortal gladness, Fill us with the light of day!

All Thy works with joy surround You, Earth and heav'n reflect Thy rays,
Stars and angels sing around Thee, Center of unbroken praise;
Field and forest, vale and mountain, Flow'ry meadow, flashing sea,
Chanting bird and flowing fountain, Calling us to rejoice in Thee!

Invocation

Children's Moment

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession (Unison)

Gracious God, we live in the tension of what we are called to be and our lived reality. We often fall short of the good we intend and our growing in the likeness of Christ is painfully slow at best. Forgive us we pray. Offer us the peace that passes all understanding that we might be forgiven and begin anew. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.

Declaration of Forgiveness

Thanks be to God! Amen.

****Gloria Patri**

*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.*

THE WORD

Scripture

Colossians 1:15-23 & Hebrews 2:10-18

This is the Word of God for the People of God. **Thanks be to God.**

Message

Pastor Mick Laflin

The Uniqueness of Jesus Christ

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

Call for the Offering



JULY GIVING – Marion Medical Mission

How to Give: you can go directly to our website and use our online giving platform to set up a one-time or recurring gift; you can mail your offering directly to the church (POB 132, Palestine, IL 62451), or you can drop your tithes and offerings at the church office, Mon – Thurs, 10 am – 2 pm.

Presentation of Offerings and Song of Dedication

****Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow (Doxology) (#606)**

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

Prayer of Dedication

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Communion Hymn *Let Us Break Bread Together*

Blue Hymnal #513 verses 1&2

Let us break bread together on our knees; (on our knees;) Let us break bread together on our knees. (on our knees.) When I fall on my knees, With my face to the rising sun, O Lord, have mercy on me. (on me.)

Let us drink wine together on our knees; (on our knees;) Let us drink wine together on our knees. (on our knees.) When I fall on my knees, With my face to the rising sun, O Lord, have mercy on me. (on me.)

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Breaking and Pouring

Communion Prayer

Hold the Cup to Partake Together

Prayers of the People and 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. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory forever. AMEN.

SENDING

**Hymn of Sending *Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee*

Blue Hymnal #464 Verses 1 & 3

Joyful, joyful, we adore Thee, God of glory, Lord of love;
Hearts unfold like flow'rs before Thee, Op'ning to the sun above.
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness; Drive the gloom of doubt away;
Giver of immortal gladness, Fill us with the light of day!

Mortals, join the happy chorus, Which the morning stars began;
Love design is reigning o'er us, Joining all in Heaven's plan.
Ever singing, march we onward, Victors in the midst of strife;
Joyful music leads us sunward, In the triumph song of life.

Benediction

Postlude

PRAYER REQUEST

Newly Added or Updated

Chad Coleman – Colon Surgery, starting Chemo

Jim Ellis - Hospice

Dave Holubek – Car Accident/Broken Back & Neck

Our Continuing Care Concerns

Darin Repp – Surgery July 18

Jocelyne Ramsey & Family – Brain Tumor

Pastor Akers – Upcoming surgery

Kim Alumbaugh

Dawn Biggs – Shoulder Surgery

Kathy Lutes – Surgery June 20

MaryAnn, Dallas & Eleanor Kidwell

John Hunter - Cancer has returned

Kristen Shaw Eagleson – Surgery Recovery

Bill Klein – Prostate Cancer

Dave Hasty

Margo Riker - Leukemia

Louise Calloway – Congestive Heart Failure

Doris & Bill Powell – Doris battling lung cancer

Bonnie McNair – Recovering from Kidney Transplant

Christy (Woodworth) Blickensderfer - Cancer

Rita Garrard – Breast Cancer

People of Maui

Megan Burton – Breast Cancer

People of Ukraine

Nancy Conrad – Released to Cardiac Rehab

People of Israel

Blain Loll – Diagnosed with Leukemia

Jamie Schell (Sandy Ellis's cousin) – Aggressive breast cancer

Please keep the PNC in your prayers for discernment and patience.

Remember those in our church family who are in assisted living or care homes

Timber Creek Village

Mary Laughead; Dave & Judy Winger
1302 W Highland Avenue, Robinson, IL 62454

Sisters of Providence

Guileen Manual
1 Providence Pl, St Mary-Of-The-Woods, IN 47876

BridgePointe Health Campus

Cheryl Mefford
1900 College Ave, Vincennes, IN 47591

Arbor Rose of Robinson

Marilyn Henderson
500 S Reed Street, Robinson, IL 62454

Villas of Holly Brook Newton

Sharon Biggs
101 S Gregory Dr, Room 37, Newton, IL 62448

ANNOUNCEMENTS

MEETING DATES

- July 8, 2024, 6:00 p.m. – Investment Committee Meeting

IMPORTANT DATES & EVENTS

- July 9, 2024 – Cheryl Mefford’s Birthday! Cards can be mailed to:
BridgePointe Health Campus
1900 College Ave, Vincennes, IN 47591

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

- Food pantry needs volunteers! Monday 1-3 and Wednesday 5-6. They could use any able-bodied workers!

LOCATED AT THE BACK OF THE SANCTUARY

- The Upper Room –July & August
- 2023 Annual Report

Get the latest information on worship services, church activities, prayer requests, etc. by signing up to be on our email list. Go to our website, www.firstprespalestine.com and scroll to the bottom to fill out the subscription form or email the church office at 1stpresby.palestine@gmail.com.

Crawford County Cares Bringing people to the table in Crawford County

Food Drive Needs

Call 618-562-3840 for pickup or drop off at Robinson Free Methodist Church
Tuesday-Thursday 9am-12pm

#10 cans of pudding	30-gallon trash bags
#10 cans of green beans	Spoons
#10 cans of corn	Forks
#10 cans baked beans	Napkins
#10 cans of peaches or mixed fruit	Paper plates
Tomato juice	Paper towels
Pasta: Ziti, Penne, Elbow, Spaghetti,	Small to-go boxes
Egg Noodles	3 compartment to-go boxes
32oz Ragu or Prego pasta sauce	