

**First  
Presbyterian  
Church** IN VICTOR  
 WHOEVER YOU ARE.  
 HOWEVER YOU HAVE COME.  
 YOU ARE WELCOME HERE.



**First Presbyterian Church**

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**Liturgist:** Donna Schake

**Order of Worship**

**January 21, 2024, 10am**

(\*Please stand if you are able.)

**Prelude**

“Prelude in F” by J.S. Bach

**Welcome & Announcements**

**\*Call to Worship**

*Psalm 62 (trans. Nan Merrill)*

For you alone my soul waits in silence

**My hope is from the beloved**

Enfolding me with strength and steadfast love

**My faith shall remain firm**

In the silence rests my freedom and my guidance

**You are the Heart of my heart**

**my refuge is in the silence**

**\*Opening Hymn** *GTG No. 401*

“Gather Us In”

**Gathering Prayer**

**Unison Prayer of Confession**

**Holy and merciful God, in your presence we confess our failure to be what you created us to be. You alone know how often we have sinned in wandering from your ways, in wasting your gifts, in forgetting your love.**

**By your loving mercy, help us to live in your light and abide in your ways, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Savior.**

**Assurance of Pardon**

**\*Passing the Peace**

**Time with Children**

**Prayer of Illumination**

Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit, that as the scriptures are read and your Word is proclaimed, we may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen.

**Scripture Readings**

***Jonah 3:1-5,10***

The word of the Lord came to Jonah a second time, saying, “Get up, go to Nineveh, that great city, and proclaim to it the message that I tell you.” So Jonah set out and went to Nineveh, according to the word of the Lord. Now Nineveh was an exceedingly large city, a three days’ walk across. (cont.)

## Scripture Readings (cont.)

Jonah began to go into the city, going a day's walk. And he cried out, "Forty days more, and Nineveh shall be overthrown!" And the people of Nineveh believed God; they proclaimed a fast, and everyone, great and small, put on sackcloth.

When God saw what they did, how they turned from their evil ways, God changed his mind about the calamity that he had said he would bring upon them, and he did not do it.

### **Mark 1:14-20**

Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee proclaiming the good news of God and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news."

As Jesus passed along the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net into the sea, for they were fishers. And Jesus said to them, "Follow me, and I will make you fishers of people." And immediately they left their nets and followed him. As he went a little farther, he saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John, who were in their boat mending the nets.

Immediately he called them, and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired men and followed him.

## Sermon

*"Upending Expectations"*

## \*Hymn of Response GTG No. 721

"Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore"

## Offering

### \*Doxology

## Prayer of Thanksgiving

## Prayers of the People & The Lord's Prayer

## \*Closing Hymn GTG No. 175

"Seek Ye First"

## Benediction

## Postlude

"Voluntary in C" by Henry Heron

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## Seek Ye First

Descant

Al - le - lu - ia,

1 Seek ye first the king - dom of God  
2 Ask, and it shall be giv - en un - to you;  
3 You shall not live by bread a - lone,

al - le - lu - ia,

and its righ - teous - ness,  
seek, and you shall find;  
but by ev - ery word

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