

First Presbyterian Church IN VICTOR

WHOEVER YOU ARE.
HOWEVER YOU HAVE COME.
YOU ARE WELCOME HERE.



First Presbyterian Church

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Pastors: Rev. Dr. Jimmy Reader
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Order of Worship

June 11, 2023, 10am

**Please stand if you are able.*

Prelude

“Majesty”, arr. by Carol Tornquist

Welcome & Announcements

*Responsive Call to Worship

(From Psalm 33)

Sing joyfully to the LORD, you righteous;
it is fitting for the upright to sing praise.
Praise the LORD with the harp;
make music on the ten-stringed lyre.

**Sing to the Lord a new song;
play skillfully, and shout for joy.
For the word of the LORD is right and true,
faithful in all God’s actions.**

The LORD loves righteousness and justice,
and fills the earth with unfailing love.

By the word of the LORD the heavens were made,
their starry host by the breath of God’s mouth.

**Let all the earth fear the LORD;
let all the people of the world revere him.
But the plans of the LORD stand firm forever,
the purposes of his heart through all
generations.**

*Opening Hymn No. 420

“God of Grace and God of Glory”

*Invocation

Scripture Reading

Genesis 12:1-9

The LORD had said to Abram, “Go from your country, your people and your father’s household to the land I will show you.

“I will make you into a great nation,
and I will bless you;

I will make your name great,
and you will be a blessing.

I will bless those who bless you,
and whoever curses you I will curse;
and all peoples on earth
will be blessed through you.”

So Abram went, as the LORD had told him; and Lot went with him. Abram was seventy-five years old when he set out from Harran. He took his wife Sarai, his nephew Lot, all the possessions they had accumulated and the people they had acquired in Harran, and they set out for the land of Canaan.

Union Prayer of Confession

We all have secrets, God - not from you, but from each other. Things we feel bad about and wish hadn't ever happened. Hurtful things. Long ago things. We're all scared and lonesome at times, but we often keep it hidden. It's like everyone of us has lost our way so bad we don't even know which way is home anymore, and we're ashamed to ask directions. What would happen if we could admit we're lost and ask?

Assurance of Pardon

If we would admit we don't know our way home, perhaps we would find out that "home" is each other, among all the people God also loves. We would find out home is Jesus that loves us whether we are still lost or know our way home. Listen and hear God's voice say to us all, "Welcome home."

(Adapted from Frederick Buechner)

*Passing the Peace

Children's Time

Anthem

"Amazing Grace", arr. by Jack Schrader

Unison Prayer for Illumination

Holy and gracious God, give us a spirit of wisdom and revelation, so that, with the eyes of our hearts enlightened, we may know the hope to which Christ has called us, the riches of his glorious inheritance among us, and the greatness of his power for those who believe.

Amen.

Based on Eph. 1:17-19

Scripture

Matthew 9:9-13, 18-26

As Jesus went on from there, he saw a man named Matthew sitting at the tax collector's booth. "Follow me," he told him, and Matthew got up and followed him. While Jesus was having dinner at Matthew's house, many tax collectors and sinners came and ate with him and his disciples. When the Pharisees saw this, they asked his disciples, "Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?" (cont.)

Scripture Reading (cont.)

On hearing this, Jesus said, "It is not the healthy who need a doctor, but the sick. But go and learn what this means: 'I desire mercy, not sacrifice.' For I have not come to call the righteous, but sinners."

While he was saying this, a synagogue leader came and knelt before him and said, "My daughter has just died. But come and put your hand on her, and she will live." Jesus got up and went with him, and so did his disciples.

Just then a woman who had been subject to bleeding for twelve years came up behind him and touched the edge of his cloak. She said to herself, "If I only touch his cloak, I will be healed."

Jesus turned and saw her. "Take heart, daughter," he said, "your faith has healed you." And the woman was healed at that moment.

When Jesus entered the synagogue leader's house and saw the noisy crowd and people playing pipes, he said, "Go away. The girl is not dead but asleep." But they laughed at him. After the crowd had been put outside, he went in and took the girl by the hand, and she got up. News of this spread through all that region.

Sermon

"What Does God Want?"

*Hymn of Response *GTG No. 175*

"Seek Ye First"

Offering

*Doxology

*Unison Prayer of Dedication

Generous God, creator, redeemer, sustainer, at your table we present this money, symbol of the work you have given us to do; use it, use us, in the service of your world to the glory of your name. Amen.

Communion

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

(Congregation: please form a circle and sing this together)

*Benediction

*Postlude "Rejoice the Lord is King", arr. by Lyndell Leatherman

Thank you to these members who are helping with worship today-

AV: Steve Simpson

Liturgist: Beverly Frost

Fellowship: Donna Schake

Communion: Brenda Dean

Two Exciting Summer Events and Volunteer Opportunities!

Dear Friend of Family Promise,

Family Fun Days at Lincoln Hill Farms are a blast for everyone! Lincoln Hill Farms has invited Family Promise to raise awareness and raise money on **Sunday, July 9, from 1:00 to 8:00.**



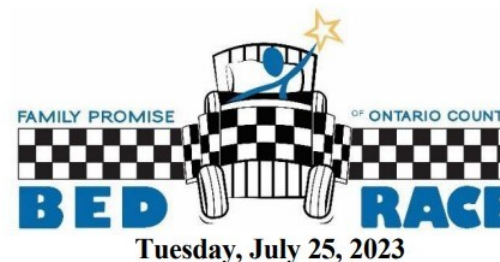
Come join us for live music, craft brews for those who partake, food specials, and more! We will host a silent auction, a 50/50 raffle, and a quilt raffle to raise funds for our mission to end family homelessness in Ontario County.

We need help staffing an information table and running family friendly games, and we need donations of desirable items for our silent auction! Please give Jay a call at 585-905-3988 or reply to this email if you'd like to volunteer or contribute an auction item. And please mark your calendars for a fun Sunday afternoon and evening!

We are also looking for help staffing an information table at the Ontario County Fair from Tuesday, July 25 until Saturday, July 29. **The Family Promise Bed Race** will take place at the fairgrounds race track on opening night, July 25, at 7:00 pm!

This is our signature fundraiser. If you, your house of worship, your business, or your civic organization would like to support us, you can field a team, build a racing bed, and come join the fun!

Thanks, and have a blissful summer!



Family Promise Bed Race – **Saturday, July 25!**
This is a fun event and our church has entered a bed the last six years! This is a major fundraiser for FP and the more beds the merrier! Please consider entering a bed and generate a little “friendly” competition!
See Rich Cromwell for details.

585-370-0839 richcromwell94@gmail.com

<https://www.familypromiseontariocounty.org/amazing-bed-race>

Scan for information and registration packet:





Help us celebrate Father’s Day on **June 18!** During coffee hour we will be celebrating the dads (and Grads!) with pies!
Sign up sheet is in the Welcome Center!



**Upcoming Church & Community events to add to your calendars:
*details on each event in your eNews***

Church Calendar

Sunday, June 11

Communion Sunday

- 10 am Sunday Worship
- 11:15 am Fellowship Hour
- 7:30 pm AA & Al-Anon meetings

Tuesday, June 13

- 9:30 am Free Panera
- 7 pm Bridge Class
- 7 pm Session Meeting

Saturday, June 17

- 5-6:30 pm Community Dinner (Breakfast for Dinner)

Sunday, June 18 | Father's Day

- 10 am Sunday Worship (Honoring Graduates)
- 11:15 am Fellowship Hour
- 7:30 pm AA & Al-Anon meetings



Thank you for the gift of your presence here this morning. We are so glad you have chosen to spend this time in this space. Please know you are invited to participate in any way that is most helpful for you. You are not expected to announce your presence, but you are most welcome to reach out to anyone here. You are invited to fellowship following worship downstairs in Corey Hall and we would love to share a coffee and a chat. If you would like to have us reach out to you in the days ahead, please fill out the Visitor Card in the pew and drop it in the Offering plate or use the QR code below.

If you are here with children, that is wonderful, and they are welcome too. Sunday School is offered during the worship service for youth ages 4 through grade 6, following the Children's Time. Youth Group Sunday School is also offered for children in 6th grade and up every other Sunday. See our calendar for the schedule. You are welcome to join your child in the class, have your child remain with you during the service, or send them off to class. The Infant Care Room, equipped so users can hear and watch the service, is located at the top of the eastern stairs in the back of the sanctuary.

It is good to have you here. Welcome.

**Interested in becoming a member?
Please call or email one of our pastors.
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