

# 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  
& Rev. Joy Bergfalk  
**Organist** Ayn Patrowicz

## Order of Worship

July 9, 2023, 10am

*\*Please stand if you are able.*

### Prelude

“Processional in C” by Hal H. Hopson

### Welcome & Announcements

### \*Call to Worship

*Psalm 145:8-14*

The LORD is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.  
All your works shall give thanks to you, O LORD, and all your faithful shall bless you.  
They shall speak of the glory of your kingdom, and tell of your power, to make known to all people your mighty deeds, and the glorious splendor of your kingdom.  
Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and your dominion endures throughout all generations. The LORD is faithful in all his words, and gracious in all his deeds.  
The LORD upholds all who are falling, and raises up all who are bowed down.

### \*Opening Hymn No. 138

“Holy, Holy, Holy!”

### \*Invocation

### Scripture Reading

*Song of Solomon 2:8-13*

The voice of my beloved! Look, he comes, leaping upon the mountains, bounding over the hills. My beloved is like a gazelle or a young stag. Look, there he stands behind our wall, gazing in at the windows, looking through the lattice. My beloved speaks and says to me: "Arise, my love, my fair one, and come away; for now the winter is past, the rain is over and gone. The flowers appear on the earth; the time of singing has come, and the voice of the turtledove is heard in our land. The fig tree puts forth its figs, and the vines are in blossom; they give forth fragrance. Arise, my love, my fair one, and come away.

### Unison Prayer of Confession

**We hate the word sin, but if we are honest, we fall short of the glory of God, imprisoned by attitudes, fear, grief, behaviors that separate us from you, from others—including our loved ones, and the whole world, including creation. We often hide the hurt in our hearts from ourselves and others, but you see it all. We confess that sin has enslaved us and pray for your peace and liberation. Through Jesus, the Healer’s name, Amen.**

**Assurance of Pardon**

**\*Passing the Peace**

**Children’s Time**

**Prayer for Illumination**

**Scripture**

*Romans 7:15-22a*

I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate. Now if I do what I do not want, I agree that the law is good. But in fact it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me. For I know that nothing good dwells within me, that is, in my flesh. I can will what is right, but I cannot do it. For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I do. Now if I do what I do not want, it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me. So I find it to be a law that when I want to do what is good, evil lies close at hand. For I delight in the law of God in my inmost self, but I see in my members another law at war with the law of my mind, making me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my members.

Wretched man that I am! Who will rescue me from this body of death? Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord!

**Sermon**

“Thanks Be to God!”

**Hymn of Response** *No. 466*

“O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing”

**Offering/Special Music**

“Love Lifted Me”

*Sung by Pastor Joy & Steve Song*

**\*Doxology**

**Unison Prayer of Dedication**

**Thank you for blessing us with so many gifts!  
We pray that you will bless the world with the gifts, tithes and offerings we bring to you today!  
We thank you in Jesus’ name, Amen.**

**Communion**

**Prayers of the People and the Lord’s Prayer**

**\*Closing Song** *GTG No. 746*

“Send Me, Jesus”

**\*Benediction**

**\*Postlude**

“Largo” by GF Handel, arr. by Hal H. Hopson

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

***AV:*** Steve Simpson

***Fellowship:*** Linda Smith & John and Sue Toomey

***Liturgist:*** Dave Henderson

***Communion:*** Brenda Dean

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**225**  
YEARS

**\*Stay tuned for our 225th Anniversary Celebration information, happening on Saturday, September 9!!**





**Upcoming Church & Community events to add to your calendars:**  
**\*details on each event in your eNews\***  
*\*Summer Office Hours: Tues & Thurs 9am-2pm\**

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**Church Calendar**

**Sunday, July 9**

- 10 am Sunday Worship
- 11:15 am Fellowship Hour
- 1-8 pm FPOC Family Fun Day @ Lincoln Hill Farms
- 7:30 pm AA & Al-Anon meetings

**Tuesday, July 11**

- Maggie's Kids Day
- 9:30 am Free Panera
- 7 pm Bridge Class

**Saturday, July 15**

- 11 am– 1 pm PGV Gathering @Hurd Orchards
- 5 pm Community Dinner

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**Upcoming Dates for Summer:**

**Tuesday, July 25**, 7 pm: FPOC Bed Race

**Saturday, August 19**, 9 am-Noon: Elder & Deacon Retreat

**Ways you can SERVE**



We are in need of additional volunteers to help prepare the elements for communion each month this Fall. **Communion will be served on the second Sunday of each month.**



We are also in need of Greeters and Coffee Hour Volunteers! Please sign up on the volunteer schedule bulletin board in the Welcome Center, or email Courtney in the office if you would like to help.

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**Maggie's Kids are back, and we need your help!**



**This Monday and Tuesday!**  
 Our church has been asked for some food items. Please sign-up with QR code above if you can contribute! We also need volunteers to help serve on 7/11 from 10-3 and people to meet at church on Monday eve 7/10 to assemble lunches!



# Ways you can SERVE



**\*TODAY\***

**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.

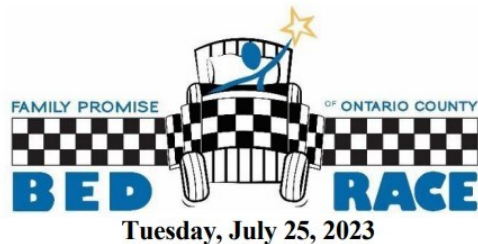
Thank you for the gift of your presence here this morning. We are so glad you have chosen to spend this time in this space. Please know you are invited to participate in any way that is most helpful for you. You are not expected to announce your presence, but you are most welcome to reach out to anyone 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 school year\** 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. 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.  
Pastor Jimmy: 585-315-9241, Pastor Joy: 585-315-7826  
pastor@victorpres.org**

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Family Promise Bed Race –  
**\*Tuesday, July 25 @7 pm!\***

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 donating to our team "Bryant's Hoopsters"! See Rich Cromwell for details.  
585-370-0839 richcromwell94@gmail.com

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

