First Presbyterian Church

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Sunday, July 8, 2018 8:30 & 11:00am

As the prelude plays, silently come into the Lord's presence.

Open your heart and give yourself up to Christ who is here to meet you today.

"Be still and know that I am God." Psalm 46:10

PRELUDE "The Savior is Waiting" – arr. Colvin "Worship" – Southbridge

GREETING & ANNOUNCEMENTS / RINGING OF THE BELL

CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 112

Leader: Praise the Lord! Happy are those who fear the Lord,

who greatly delight in His commandments.

People: They rise in the darkness as a light for the upright,

they are gracious, merciful, and righteous.

* HYMN "Morning Has Broken" No. 469

*PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION

God of peace, we thank You and praise You for Your steadfast grace and mercy. We confess that being steadfast in obedience to Your word is not what we do best, despite our best efforts. From the time of the first family we have been falling for temptation, causing dissension, being offensive, and doing just about everything else under the sun that goes against Your will. Forgive us for believing that we could be You, and for not understanding that being like You comes with so much responsibility. Help us to be wise in what is good and guileless in what is evil so that we can experience the joy of obedience to You. We pray in the name of Jesus, who reconciled us to You. Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*SHARING SIGNS OF PEACE

[Please share Christ's peace with one another with handshakes, hugs, kisses—however you feel led.]

*HYMN

"Spirit of the Living God"

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me; Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me. Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me. Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE Beth Feiler

(For those who wish, children grades 1-4 can leave for children's church at this time.)

MUSIC MINISTRY "How Great Thou Art" – arr. Courtney Holly Miller, mezzo soprano

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING Genesis: 3:1-7 (OT p2)

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING Romans 16:17-21 (NT p165)

SERMON Romans: Faith for Dummies Rev. Robert Bronkema

"You Can Never Be Too Careful"

*HYMN "Jesus, Thy Boundless Love to Me" No. 366

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER

WE BRING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

OFFERTORY "Be Thou My Vision" – arr. Broughton

*DOXOLOGY

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

*HYMN "Arise, Your Light Has Come" No. 411

*BENEDICTION & CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE "Let There Be Peace on Earth"

*POSTLUDE "How Firm a Foundation" – arr. Boud

Next Week

Judges 16:23-31 Romans 16:25-27 "Looks Like We Made It"

11:00am

Greeting & Announcements
*Praise & Worship I Am My Lighthouse Set a Fire
Prayer & Peace
Children's Message: Beth Feiler (For those who wish, children grades 1-4 can leave for children's church at this time.)
Scripture Reading Genesis 3:1-7; Romans 16:17-21
Sermon Series: ROMANS: FAITH FOR DUMMIES "You Can Never Be Too Careful"
*Offering/Closing Song Nothing I Hold Onto
*Benediction
SERMON NOTES: