



The Session and members of First Presbyterian Church Fargo extend a sincere welcome to you. We are grateful for your presence today! We welcome all persons regardless of race, nationality, disability, gender or sexual orientation. This includes an open invitation to membership, the sacraments of baptism and the Lord's Supper, marriage, funerals, memorial services and to serve as an officer of the church.

Everyone is invited for coffee and fellowship in the Gathering Space after worship.

We recycle! If you are not taking your bulletin, please drop it in the blue bin at the door as you leave.

**Please rise in body or spirit.*

We Gather in Christ

PRELUDE

*Fanfare on the National Hymn
America the Beautiful
Sally Harmon, organist*

arr. Schack
arr. Smith

WELCOME & CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

MOMENT OF SILENCE

God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who gives us birth by water and Holy Spirit, teach us how to live always in integrity of body, mind, and spirit, in obedience to your love, in the name of Jesus Christ, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory now and forever. Amen.

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

God calls us by name into the presence of holiness
as God's holy people.

We answer this call by the grace of God
through the power of the Holy Spirit
in the name of God's own Son,
Jesus Christ our Lord.

Come, let us worship God.

Let us worship God!

***HYMN 331**

God of the Ages, Whose Almighty Hand

God of the ages, whose almighty hand
leads forth in beauty all the starry band
of shining worlds in splendor through the skies,
our grateful songs before thy throne arise.

Thy love divine hath led us in the past.
In this free land by thee our lot is cast.
Be thou our ruler, guardian, guide, and stay:
thy word our law, thy paths our chosen way.

From war's alarms, from deadly pestilence,
be thy strong arm our ever sure defense.
Thy true religion in our hearts increase.
Thy bounteous goodness nourish us in peace.

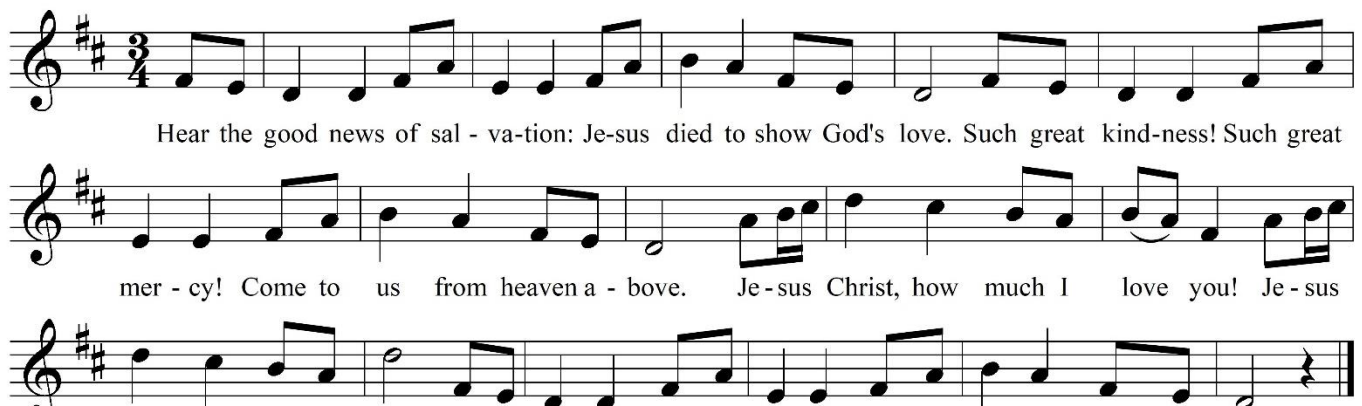
Refresh thy people on their toilsome way.
Lead us from night to never-ending day.
Fill all our lives with love and grace divine,
and glory, laud, and praise be ever thine.

***CONFESSION AND DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS**

O God, on lonely Mount Moriah you put your servant Abraham to the test. We confess that we have failed much lesser tests of our faith. We have allowed sin to run our lives, to shape how we act toward others, and to kill our relationship with you. In your great mercy, forgive us. Change even our bodies from implements of destruction to instruments of your peace; for the sake of the Lamb of God, Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

***RESPONSE**

Hear the Good News of Salvation



Hear the good news of sal - va - tion: Je - sus died to show God's love. Such great kind - ness! Such great
mer - cy! Come to us from heaven a - bove. Je - sus Christ, how much I love you! Je - sus
Christ, you save from sin! How I love you! Look up - on me. Love me still and cleanse with - in.

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

The Word

SCRIPTURE

Psalms 89:15-18, pp. 535
Genesis 22:1-14, pp. 17

Bruce Maylath, reader

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

Rev. Sarah M. Bigwood

***HYMN 337**

My Country, 'Tis of Thee

My country, 'tis of thee, sweet land of liberty, of thee I sing:
land where my fathers died, land of the pilgrims' pride,
from every mountainside let freedom ring.

My native country, thee, land of the noble free, thy name I love;
I love thy rocks and rills, thy woods and templed hills;
my heart with rapture thrills like that above.

Let music swell the breeze, and ring from all the trees sweet freedom's song.
Let mortal tongues awake; let all that breathe partake;
let rocks their silence break, the sound prolong.

Our fathers' God, to thee, author of liberty, to thee we sing.
Long may our land be bright with freedom's holy light;
protect us by thy might, great God, our King.

Responding to the Word

SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

PASTORAL PRAYER

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; and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

HYMN OF APPROACH 501 *Feed Us, Lord*



Feed us, Lord. Feed us, Lord. In the bro - ken bread be re -
Quench us, Lord. Quench us, Lord. On this thirst - y ground, may your
vealed a - gain. Come and feed our hearts, O Lord.
love flow down. Come and quench our hearts, O Lord.

COMMUNION MUSIC *Variations on "The Humble Heart"*

arr. Lau



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OFFERTORY

Holy Manna

arr. Peterson

Sally Harmon, organ

*RESPONSE 717 *For the Life That You Have Given*

For the life that you have given, for the love in Christ made known,
with these fruits of time and labor, with these gifts that are your own:
here we offer, Lord, our praises; heart and mind and strength we bring;
give us grace to love and serve you, living what we pray and sing.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Bearing the Word into the World

*HYMN 338

O Beautiful for Spacious Skies

O beautiful for spacious skies, for amber waves of grain,
for purple mountain majesties above the fruited plain!
America! America! God shed his grace on thee,
and crown thy good with servanthood from sea to shining sea!

O beautiful for heroes proved in liberating strife,
who more than self their country loved, and mercy more than life!
America! America! God mend thine every flaw;
confirm thy soul in self-control, thy liberty in law!

O beautiful for patriot dream that sees beyond the years
thine alabaster cities gleam, undimmed by human tears!
America! America! May God thy gold refine
till all success be nobleness and every gain divine!

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

America the Beautiful

arr. Hokanson

*Any children who are interested are welcome
to come up to the organ to watch Sally play the postlude.*



Summer Sermon Series: Our summer sermon series will be on the Book of Genesis which the Adult Education class has been studying all spring. Both the spring lectures and the summer sermons will be available on the FPC App which is available from the App store. Search First Presbyterian Fargo and select the app option with the PCUSA logo.



COLLABORATE WITH

FIRST PRES FARGO & HEART N' SOUL COMMUNITY CAFE & PLAINS ART MUSEUM

Join us every second Wednesday of the month, through October, from 4:30pm to 6:30pm. The Plains Art Museum will lead an interactive art project during the summer months.

Friendship Pads: Please remember to sign the Friendship Pad for each member of your family (ex. instead of writing “The Patrick & Patricia Patterson Family”, write Pat, Pat, Matt, Nat, and Nicki). Pads are located at the end of your pew. Pass it down the row. If your pew doesn’t have one, ask an usher to get a replacement.

Pew Pride: You are reminded to make sure your hymnals/Bibles are facing outward, friendship pads are stationed near the center aisle, and the “Welcome the Wiggle/ABC’s of Worship” inserts are showing out of the Bibles when you leave your pew. A minute of your time will greatly help keep our sanctuary looking neat and organized.

Covenant Of Prayer: Beatrice Janaka and family; Don Brummond; Jennifer; and the people of Ukraine, Syria, and Turkey.

Craft Kits in the Library! Hey parents! Looking for something fun to do with your kids this summer? Our craft kits in the library have all the tools, supplies, and instructions on a fun new craft for you and your family to try! Thanks to the EduCon and Library Committees we have created a Wool Felting kit and two Paper Quilling kits that are available to check out. Simply pick a kit, fill out the check out card and leave it in the tray on the library desk. Please return the kits back to the library after you have finished with it. They are located just above the children’s section near the rocking chairs! Young or old, beginner or expert, come *check out* a craft kit and see what you can create!

Per Capita: If you have not yet paid Per Capita for 2023, it’s not too late! We will be accepting payments through the end of the year. Your contribution will be reflected on your giving record and will be greatly appreciated to help offset the Per Capita Apportionment payment sent to the Presbytery. The rate for 2023 is \$50.00 per confirmed member.

Nametag Blitz: Do you have a church nametag? If you have never had one, you may receive one free. If you need to replace a lost nametag, we ask for a donation of \$10 to cover the cost. The standard nametag will have a magnetic back. If for any reason you would like a nametag with a pin back, please indicate that after your name. Students in 5th grade and above are welcome to order a nametag.

FAREWELL TO FARGO RECITAL

Sunday, July 9th | 7:00pm

First Presbyterian Church | Fargo, ND

Social Reception to follow.

This collaborative recital includes a little of everything with musicians friends for one last performance together. Program to include works by J. S. Bach, Herbert Howells, Felix Mendelssohn, and more!

PRESENTED BY DILLON J. SWANSON

Hearing devices and large print copies of today's hymns are available, please ask an usher for assistance.

Nursery Staff will be present **beginning at 10:20** for infants-3 years, in the nursery complex on the 1st floor.

Activity Bags for Children: Fun-filled tote bags are located at both doors.

Restrooms: Restrooms are located in the Gathering Space and on the lower level.

Prayer Request Cards: Cards are in pew racks for your use. Prayers will be committed to God along with the other offerings and also lifted up in prayer by the staff.

Peace Candles: The candle burning on the chancel symbolizes peace. We ask guests to take a candle back to your church as a gift from us. Peace candles can be found at the Welcome Center, near the west doors.

Wi-Fi: Wi-Fi is available throughout the church. (password: community650)

FPC Officers

Session: Abi Carlson, Kim Carter, Deb Dawson, Tom Dawson, Tetteh Dottey, Colleen Ford-Dunker, Jody Hudson, Kurt Kooyer, Dick Laraway, Carrie Lawrence, Bruce Maylath, Brian McClure, Elaine Rudd (clerk), Becky Trumbo, and Jeff Wilkens. **Deacons:** Paula Christensen, Toby Christensen, Steve Dawson, Brenda Deckard, Ed Deckard (treasurer), Gracia Fulwiler, Beatrice Janaka, Jane Mathew (moderator), Karen Rivers, Donna Rummens, Candy Shultz, Virginia Stern, Kathleen Thomas, Debbie Tight, and Amy Wilkens.

Church Treasurer: Sherri Stern.

Church Staff

The Rev. Sarah M. Bigwood-*Head of Staff, Pastor*
The Rev. Mary Jo E. Holtey-*Associate Pastor*
The Rev. Daniel Billings-*Parish Associate*
Sally Harmon-*Music Coordinator & Organist*
Shawn Neisen-*Adult Choir Director*
Penny Andrist-*Children's Ministry Coordinator*
Kayla Bones-*Youth & Young Adult Ministry Coordinator*
Jan Lundgren-*Business Manager*
Casey LeMier- *Communications & Admin Assistant*
Rick Fiebiger-*Facilities Manager*
Drew Brovold-*Custodian*

**Staff emails are: (first initial and last name of person)
@firstpresfargo.org**

L: Live Stream Option, H: Hybrid, Z: Zoom
Times shown in italics indicate am.

Sunday, July 2

11:30 Fellowship

Monday, July 3

Office Closed

Tuesday, July 4

Office Closed

Wednesday, July 5

No Church Events

Thursday, July 6

No Church Events

Friday, July 7

7:00 Youth Lock-In

Saturday, July 8

No Church Events

Sunday, July 9

10:30 Worship Service (L)

11:30 Fellowship

7:00 'Farewell to Fargo' Recital

Reminder: Use the QR code found in the bulletin to access the secure giving portal on our website! Also, like us on Facebook and follow us on Instagram!

For Your Information

June 26 Attendance: TBD

93 in person

?? households livestreamed

Contributions received: \$2762.00



Church Information

Summer Office Hours:
M-TH, 9:00 am-3:00 pm
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