



**FIRST  
PRESBYTERIAN  
CHURCH**

*preach, teach, heal, & serve*

*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.*

**August 11, 2024**

## **We Gather in Christ**

### **PRELUDE**

*Pavane fait au mariage de M. de Vandosme*      Michel Danican Philidor  
*Pavane pour la Petite Guaire, Fait Pour Les Cornetz en 1601*      (1580-1681)  
*Pavane faite pour le mariage de Henry le Grand en 1600*  
\*New York Kammermusiker musicians

### **WELCOME**

### **MOMENT OF SILENCE**

*Redeeming God, you satisfy our soul's hunger through Jesus Christ, the bread of life. Filled with your steadfast love, let us live in love, working honestly to share with the needy, feeding others with the bread of kindness, tenderness, and forgiveness. Amen.*

### **✦ CALL TO WORSHIP**

Tori Hughes

Jesus declared, "I am the bread that came down from heaven."

### **Our God is a generous God.**

We come to be nourished.

### **We come to worship God.**

### **✦ HYMN 81**

*Glorious Things of Thee are Spoken*

Glorious things of thee are spoken, Zion, city of our God.

God, whose word cannot be broken, formed thee for a blest abode.

On the rock of ages founded, what can shake thy sure repose?

With salvation's walls surrounded, thou may'st smile at all thy foes.

Round each habitation hovering, see the cloud and fire appear  
for a glory and a covering, showing that the Lord is near.

Thus deriving from their banner light by night and shade by day,

safe they feed upon the manna which God gives them when they pray.

See, the streams of living waters, springing from eternal love,  
well supply thy sons and daughters and all fear of want remove.  
Who can faint while such a river ever flows, their thirst to assuage?  
Grace, so like the Lord the giver, never fails from age to age.

✦ **CONFESSION AND DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS**

**God of peace, we have rejected your redemption and forged our own way. We have held fast to falsehood, deceiving others and ourselves. We have sinned against you and done violence to others. We are consumed by bitterness and wrath, anger and wrangling, slander and malice. If you should mark our iniquities, Lord, who could stand? But there is forgiveness with you so that you may be revered. Our soul waits in hope for your word to redeem us so that we may begin anew, a new day with you. Amen.**

✦ **RESPONSE**

*Holy Spirit, Come to Us*

Two staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The first staff contains the melody for the first line of the response, and the second staff contains the melody for the second line. The lyrics are written below the notes.

Ho - ly Spir - it, come to us; kin - dle in us the fire of your love.  
Ho - ly Spir - it, come to us. Ho - ly Spir - it, come to us.

**GIFT OF MUSIC** *Andante un poco Adagio, from Sonata Op120, No1* Johannes Brahms  
Richard Kravchek, oboe; Sally Harmon, piano

**The Word**

**SCRIPTURE**

*John 6:32-58, pp. 972*

Tori Hughes, reader

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

**SERMON**

*Jesus Is Manna*

The Rev. Sarah M Bigwood

✦ **HYMN 522**

*I Am the Bread of Life*

Tori Hughes, Cantor

Cantor: "I am the bread of life.

You who come to me shall not hunger,  
and who believe in me shall not thirst.

No one can come to me  
unless the Father beckons."

Refrain (All): "And I will raise you up,  
and I will raise you up,  
and I will raise you up on the last day."

Cantor: "The bread that I will give  
is my flesh for the life of the world,  
and if you eat of this bread,  
you shall live forever;  
you shall live forever." (Refrain - All)

Cantor: “Unless you eat of the flesh  
of the Son of Man  
and drink of his blood,  
and drink of his blood,  
you shall not have life within you.” (Refrain - All)

Cantor: “I am the resurrection;  
I am the life.  
If you believe in me,  
even though you die,  
you shall live forever.” (Refrain - All)

Cantor: Yes, Lord, I believe  
that you are the Christ,  
the Son of God,  
who has come into the world. (Refrain - All)

## **Sacrament of Baptism**

### **PRESENTATION OF THE CHILD**

Dean Zachary Olson, child of Samantha Sherman & Zachary Olson  
Grandchild of Dave and Michele Sherman, Mary Beth and A.C. Percifield, and Dennis Shipton  
Sponsors are Ben and Claire Langland-Johnson  
Abi Carlson, presiding elder

### **✧PROFESSION OF FAITH**

*Apostles' Creed*

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

### **THANKSGIVING OVER THE WATER**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

### **WELCOME**

Elder to Congregation:...Let us welcome the newly baptized.

**With joy and thanksgiving we welcome you into Christ's church to share with us in his ministry, for we are all one in Christ.**

## BAPTISMAL RESPONSE 491 *You Have Put On Christ*

You have put on Christ, in Christ you have been bap - tized.  
Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu ia!

### ✦ PASSING OF THE PEACE

### 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.**

## Responding to the Word



### OFFERING

*Use the QR code to access the secure giving portal on our website!*

### OFFERTORY

*Romanza para Oboe y Piano*

Carlos Parades Abad

William Wielgus, oboe; Sally Harmon, piano

### ✦ 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 69

*I, the Lord of Sea and Sky*

I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my people cry.  
All who dwell in dark and sin my hand will save.  
I, who made the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright.  
Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?

Refrain: Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?

I have heard you calling in the night.

I will go, Lord, if you lead me.

I will hold your people in my heart.

I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my people's pain.  
I have wept for love of them. They turn away.  
I will break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love alone.  
I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send? (Refrain)

I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame.  
I will set a feast for them. My hand will save.  
Finest bread I will provide till their hearts be satisfied.  
I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send? (Refrain)

✧ **BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE**      *Allegro from Concerto for Four Bassoons and Continuo*      Michel Corrette  
NYK Bassoons and Sally Harmon, keyboard      (1707-1795)

*Thank you to Katie and Tom Bigwood on livestream and soundboard, Tori Hughes for assisting in worship, and our Welcome Team: Abi Carlson, Jane Mathew, Gracia Fulwiler, Tom & Sue Van Osdel, and Dave & Virginia Stern for taking such good care of us this morning.*

*A special thank you to our musicians: Sally Harmon and the New York Kammermusiker—  
Oboe and English Horn: Stella Amar, Richard Kravchek, Ilonna Pederson (director), William Wielgus; Bassoon: Joelle Amar, Peggy Dudley, Kukiko Mitani; Contrabassoon: Cassandra Bendickson.*

The New York Kammermusiker will be playing a concert in our sanctuary this evening at 7pm.  
A free-will offering will be taken to help provide for their travel and hotel expenses.  
Refreshments will be served following the concert. We hope you will attend and bring a friend!

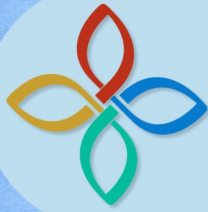


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# Sunday Worship

August 11, 2024

**Bolster Up! VBS for Adults:** August 12– 15 at 7 PM, in the Jennie Roberts Room at First Presbyterian Church Fargo. Speakers will be Lorelee Benz, Prakash Mathew, Pastor Robert Drake, and Bruce Maylath. Each session will focus on a different topic, with a Bible lesson, hymn singing, and treats. Come to one or all nights – no registration required.

## Bolster Up!

Adult Vacation Bible School

August 12-15 | 7PM

Jennie Roberts Room  
First Presbyterian Church Fargo

A new speaker each night!  
Inviting all Presbyterians for  
Faith, Fun, and Fellowship!

**Bible Study Kick-Off:** The kickoff of PW for the upcoming school year will be on September 10th at 10am. Pastor Mary Holtey will lead the introduction and Lesson 1 of our Bible study, *Let Justice Roll Down*. Doughnuts and coffee will be served. There will not be copies available at our meeting on September 10th. If you are in need of a Bible study book, you can order your copy by calling 800-533-4371, or online at [www.presbyterianwomen.org/shop](http://www.presbyterianwomen.org/shop). If you have any questions, call Paula Christensen at 701-219-5795.

**Volunteering at the EFP:** First Presbyterian Church is once again going to serve the Emergency Food Pantry by volunteering the week of September 16 - 20, 2024. Volunteers are needed for Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday from 9:30am until 12 noon, and Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday from 1:00pm until 4pm. There are many jobs to do. A sign up sheet will be available during coffee time in the Social Hall all Sundays in August. Please check your calendar and stop by to sign up for a shift. You may also call **Nancy Lium** at (701) 235-0228, with any questions or to volunteer.

**Covenant of Prayer:** Amanda Krasniewski, Ann Lindsay's daughter, and family at the loss of her husband Mike, who died in a car accident mid July; Brad Schenck, son of Richard Schenck (BDPC) fighting brain cancer; Fraser Harrison, under the care of hospice.

**Sunday School Volunteers Needed:** We are seeking volunteers that love working with children and youth to help make our Sunday School programming vibrant and impactful. Does this sound like you? Contact Rusty Bender at [rbender@firstpresfargo.org](mailto:rbender@firstpresfargo.org).

# Sunday School starts soon!

Don't forget to register at  
[www.firstpresfargo.org/children](http://www.firstpresfargo.org/children)

Scan the QR code for  
the registration form!



## Heart-n-Soul MOBILE CAFÉ

@ FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF FARGO

Every Second  
Wednesday  
June - October



4:30PM - 6:00PM  
650 2ND AVE. N FARGO, ND 58102

On the 14th Heart-n-Soul's food truck will be visiting from 4:30-6:00pm. Menu includes Fiesta Tater Tot Hotdish or Waldorf Chicken Salad Sandwich, both with Citrus Slaw, or a HnS Harvest Bowl, with hummus, lentils, rice, roasted & raw vegetables, mixed greens, tahina, all with Peanut Butter Cookies for dessert!

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

**Nursery:** Staff will be present **beginning at 9:15** 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:** Mindy Argall, Abi Carlson, Deb Dawson, Tom Dawson, Tetteh Dottey, Colleen Ford-Dunker, Jody Hudson, Kurt Kooyer, Dick Laraway, Carrie Lawrence, Bruce Maylath, Brian McClure, Elaine Rudd (clerk), Jeff Wilkens, and Steve Wonderlich. **Deacons:** Paula Christensen, Toby Christensen, Steve Dawson, Brenda Deckard, Ed Deckard (treasurer), Gracia Fulwiler, David Hoffman, Jane Mathew (moderator), Donna Rummens, Wayne Sander, 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*

The Rev. Cathie Bishop-*Parish Associate*

Rusty Bender-*Director of Church Life*

Sally Harmon-*Organist*

Pam Burns-*Music Ministry Coordinator*

Bryan Poyzer-*Adult Choir Director*

Penny Andrist-*Children's 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, August 11**

11:30 Fellowship

7:00 New York Kammermusiker Concert

### **Monday, August 12**

5:30 EduCon Committee Meeting

7:00 Adult Vacation Bible School

### **Tuesday, August 13**

5:30 Board of Deacons Meeting

7:00 Adult Vacation Bible School

### **Wednesday, August 14**

12:00 Management & Finance Committee Meeting

4:30 Heart-n-Soul Mobile Café

7:00 Adult Vacation Bible School

### **Thursday, August 15**

7:00 Adult Vacation Bible School

### **Friday, August 16**

No Church Events

### **Saturday, August 17**

No Church Events

### **Sunday, August 18**

10:30 Worship Service (L)

11:30 Fellowship

**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

August 4 Attendance: 119

89 in person

30 households livestreamed

Contributions received: \$4,624.00



### Church Information

Summer Office Hours:  
M-TH, 9:00 am-3:00 pm  
Phone: 701-293-6311  
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