

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

***Doxology** #731

GOD SENDS HIS PEOPLE

***Closing Hymn** *Amazing Grace!* #460

***Benediction**

Postlude

Leading Today's Service

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First Presbyterian Church is Reformed congregation and a member of the Evangelical Presbyterian Church. For more information about First Presbyterian and the EPC denomination, visit our website and Facebook page.

If you have any questions, prayer requests, or are ready and excited to join our mission to reach all of Casper for Christ, contact the church office or Pastor Mark.

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Welcome to our Visitors

To all who are weary and seek rest; to all who mourn and long for comfort; to all who struggle and desire victory; to all who sin and need a Savior; to all who are idle and look for service; to all who are strangers and want fellowship; to all who hunger and thirst after righteousness; and to whosoever will come -- this church opens wide her doors and offers her welcome in the name of Jesus her Lord.

We are glad you are here to worship with us this morning! The pamphlet in the pew pocket will help you get to know our church better, and please fill out and return the visitor form also so that we can get to know you. We have fellowship and refreshments after the service in the parlor, which is through the doors at the front of the sanctuary.

Children are welcomed and encouraged to remain in the worship service, however a nursery is available for infants and pre-school-aged children. Ask anyone around you for directions. Activity bags are also available in the rear of the sanctuary for children to use during the service.



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ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2017 COMMUNION

**Please stand if you are able*

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

GOD GATHERS HIS PEOPLE FOR WORSHIP

***Invocation**

***Call to Worship** Psalm 68:32-35

Leader: O kingdoms of the earth, sing to God; sing praises to the Lord,

People: to him who rides in the heavens, the ancient heavens; behold, he sends out his voice, his mighty voice.

Leader: Ascribe power to God, whose majesty is over Israel, and whose power is in the skies.

People: Awesome is God from his sanctuary; the God of Israel—he is the one who gives power and strength to his people. Blessed be God!

***Opening Hymn** *Come, Thou Almighty King* #101

GOD HEARS OUR CONFESSION

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession (in unison) From Proverbs 28:13

Your word tells us that those who conceal their sins do not prosper, but whoever confesses and renounces them finds mercy. O Lord, we do indeed confess that we have sinned against you. We lay our sins before you; we lay all our sin before you. We not only confess our sins, but we renounce them. Now, Lord, shower us with your mercy through the blood of your son and our savior, Jesus Christ. (Silent Confession) Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Leader: Brothers and sisters, hear, believe and receive the good news of the Gospel, in Jesus Christ you are forgiven.

People: **Thanks be to God, for His grace.**

Passing of the Peace

Leader: Peace be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Gloria Patri

#735

Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer

(inside front hymnal cover)

GOD BRINGS US HIS WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Old Testament Scripture

Ezekiel 33:30-33, Pew Bible [Blue] p. 721, [Red] p. 915

New Testament Scripture

Luke 18:18-34, Pew Bible [Blue] p. 877, [Red] p. 1116

Sermon

Be Careful What You Ask

Pastor Mark Tippin

OUR RESPONSE TO HIS WORD

Sacrament of Communion

***Communion Hymn** *Break Thou the Bread of Life (vv. 1-3)* #146

Nicene Creed (in unison) Hymnal p. 846

Words of Institution

Distribution of Elements

Prayer of Dedication (in unison)

God of All Good,

We bless you for the means of grace; teach us to see in them your loving purposes and the joy and strength of our souls. You have prepared for us a feast; and though we are unworthy to sit down as guests, we wholly rest on the merits of Jesus, and hide ourselves beneath his righteousness. When we hear this tender invitation and see his wondrous grace, we cannot hesitate, but must come to you in love. By your Spirit enliven our faith rightly to discern and spiritually to apprehend the Saviour.

In the supper we remember his eternal love, boundless grace, infinite compassion, agony, cross, and redemption, and receive assurance of pardon, adoption, life, and glory. As the outward elements nourish our bodies, so may your indwelling Spirit invigorate our souls, until that day when we hunger and thirst no more and sit with Jesus at his heavenly feast. Amen

***Communion Hymn** *Break Thou the Bread of Life (v. 4)* #146