



May 8, 2022
First Presbyterian Church
Waterloo, IA

**Order of Worship at First Presbyterian Church, Waterloo
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Prelude "*Come, Christians, Join to Sing*" arr. Vandall
(Thank you for placing your offerings in the baskets by the doors as you enter the sanctuary.)

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship (verses from Psalm 23):
One: The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want.
All: **He makes me lie down in green pastures; He leads me beside still waters;**
One: For His name's sake:
All: **He restores my soul. He leads me in right paths.**

Prayer of Adoration

Song of Praise "*I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say*" #182, Hymnal

Call to Confession (verses from Revelation 7):
One: There was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice, saying:
All: **"Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!"**
One: Indeed, salvation comes from the Lord, who made heaven and earth, who still remakes heaven and earth into a delight, and endows it with peace eternal. Let us pray our confession to this God of all hope:

Prayer of Confession:
Merciful God, we confess our strayings and wanderings to you. You have adopted us into Your fold, yet we will still seek our paths at times. You have lovingly brought us back, through prophets and evangelists. Stay with us, Lord Jesus, and protect us from our greatest fears and challenges, that we might live again to see Your Kingdom of peace. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Song of Response "Glory Be to the Father" #581, Hymnal

Passing The Peace
Leader: May the peace of Christ be with you!
People: And also with you!

Choir Anthem "Be Thou My Vision" arr. Young

Prayer for Illumination: (Unison)
Speak, Lord of peace, for Your servants are listening. Amen.

First Reading Acts 9:36-43 (pg. 128, NT)

Gospel Reading John 10:22-30 (pg. 104, NT)

Sermon "Herd Mentality" Rev. Christine Kaplunas

Song of Response "Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us" #187, Hymnal

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Invitation to the Lord's Table

One: Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
All: therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

The Great Thanksgiving and The Lord's Prayer

One: The Lord be with you.
All: **And also with you.**
One: Lift up your hearts
All: **We lift them to the Lord.**
One: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
All: **It is right to give our thanks and praise...**
One: ...who forever sing to the glory of Your name:
All: **Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might. Heaven and earth are full of Your glory. Hosanna in the highest! Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest!**
One: ...Great is the mystery of faith:

All: **Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again... Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name...Amen.**

The Words of Institution

Sharing the Bread and Cup

As the music plays, you are invited to come forward and receive the elements. If you do not wish to come forward, individual elements are available at the entries of the Sanctuary.

Prayer

Living Christ, as You open the scriptures to us, You make Yourself known in the breaking of the bread. Let us now go forth from this place, fed at Your table and filled by the Spirit, to walk with You all the days of our lives, and proclaim the glory of Your resurrection to all the world. Amen.

Song of Sending "We Are One in the Spirit" #300, Hymnal

Charge and Benediction

Postlude "I Must Tell Jesus" arr. Sorenson

Preaching today is Rev. Christine Kaplunas, pastor of Unity Presbyterian in Waterloo.

The Lay Leader for Worship today is Nancy Catterson

The pulpit flowers today are provided by Billie Hesse, in loving memory of Billie's mother, Hazel Anderson, and all mothers

First Church Staff

Visiting Pastor: Rev. Christine Kaplunas
Tyler Gajewsky, Sanctuary Choir Director
Melody Steed, Handbell Director
Linda Wiles, Organist/Pianist
Amber Gilles, Office Manager
Gary Gilles, Jr., Streaming Service Operator

Church Office Hours: Mon-Thu 9:00am to 4:00pm; Closed Fridays