



September 4, 2022
First Presbyterian Church
Waterloo, IA

Order of Worship at First Presbyterian Church, Waterloo
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Prelude

"Prelude in C" J.S. Bach
(Thank you for placing your offerings in the baskets by the doors as you enter the sanctuary.)

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

One: Our help is in the name of the Lord,
All: **maker of heaven and earth.**
One: This is the day the Lord has made;
All: **let us rejoice and be glad in it.**
One: Cry out with joy to the Lord, all the earth.
All: **Worship the Lord with gladness. Come into God's presence with singing!**

Prayer of Adoration

Song of Praise *"Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty"* #35, Hymnal

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession (Unison)

Merciful Lord, we confess that we have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart and mind and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.

In Your mercy, forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways, to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

(quiet reflection)

Assurance of Grace

One: Hear the Good News! The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting. The Lord is gracious, slow to anger, and abiding in steadfast love.

All: **Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation. The old has gone; a new life has begun. In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God.**

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

Passing The Peace

One: May the peace of Christ be with you!

All: And also with you!

Hymn Sing

Prayer for Illumination

First Reading Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18 (pg. 577-578, OT)

Hymn Sing

Second Reading Philemon vs. 3-7 (pgs. 215-216, NT)

Hymn Sing

Prayers of the People and 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.

Presentation of Our Offerings

Doxology *"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"* #606, Hymnal

Prayer of Dedication

Song of Sending *"God Be With You Till We Meet Again"* #541, Hymnal

Charge and Benediction

Postlude

"More Love to Thee, O Christ"

arr. Harlan

The Lay Leader for Worship today is Nancy Valentine

The Hymn Sing Leader today is Linda Wiles

Elders Serving on the Session

Donna Beaver, chair, Missions committee

Jim Christensen, chair, Building and Grounds committee

Tom Christensen

Craig Cose

Dan Davis

Mary Kabel

Nancy Newhoff, chair, Stewardship and Finance committee

Terry Sage, chair, Christian Nurture committee

Nancy Valentine, chair, Worship and Music committee

Jean Seeland, Clerk of Session

Deacons

Nancy Catterson

Marsha Muir

Mary Mumm

Marsha Platt

Richard Platt

Marge Polacek

First Church Staff

Pastor of Visitation: Rev. Christine Kaplunas

Linda Wiles, Organist/Pianist – Bell Choir Director

Amber Gilles, Office Manager

Gary Gilles, Jr., Streaming Service Operator

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