

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
6<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

Fort Dodge, Iowa  
July 12, 2020

CALL TO WORSHIP

*Praise the Lord, my soul,*

**All my inmost being, praise his holy name.**

*Praise the Lord, my soul,*

**And forget not all his benefits –**

*Who forgives all your sins*

**And heals all your diseases,**

*Who redeems your life from the pit*

**And crowns you with love and compassion.**

*The Lord is compassionate and gracious,*

**Slow to anger, abounding in love.**

*He will not always accuse,*

**Nor will he harbor his anger forever;**

*He does not treat us as our sins deserve*

**Or repay us according to our iniquities.**

*For as high as the heavens are above the earth,*

**So great is his love for those who fear him;**

*As far as the east is from the west,*

**So far has he removed our transgressions from us.**

*from Psalm 103*

GATHERING SONG

“Good Good Father”

WELCOME

MORNING PRAYER

PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

I confess to God Almighty, before the whole company of heaven,  
and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have sinned in thought,  
word, and deed, and pray God Almighty to have mercy on me.

**May Almighty God have mercy on you, pardon and deliver you from  
all your sins and give you time to amend your life. Amen.**

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to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have sinned in thought, word,  
and deed, and pray God Almighty to have mercy on me.**

May Almighty God have mercy on you, pardon and deliver you from  
all your sins and give you time to amend your life. **Amen.**

*Time of silent reflection and confession...*

CONGREGATIONAL SONG

#376 “Great Is Thy Faithfulness”

SHARING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

<https://app.securegive.com/fpcfd>

Special Music

#2068 “I Love You, Lord”

Doxology #592

Prayer of Dedication

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

*from the Confession of Belhar*

**“We believe that Christ’s work of reconciliation is made manifest in the  
church as the community of believers who have been reconciled with  
God and with one another. We believe that unity is, therefore, both a  
gift and an obligation for the church of Jesus Christ; that through the  
working of God’s Spirit it is a binding force, yet simultaneously a reality  
which must be earnestly pursued and sought: one which the people  
of God must continually be built up to attain.**

**We believe that this unity must become visible so the world may  
believe that separation, enmity and hatred between people and  
groups is sin which Christ has already conquered, and accordingly  
that anything which threatens this unity may have no place in the  
church and must be resisted.”**

SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

INVITATION TO CHILDREN’S WORSHIP

The Rev. Rebecca L. Dix

SONG OF PREPARATION

“No Longer Slaves”

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Psalm 51

SERMON

“Confession... who needs it?”

The Rev. Dr. Austin D. Hill

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD’S PRAYER

SENDING SONG

“Mighty to Save”

BLESSING AND BENEDICTION

## Prayers for July 12<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup>

### Members of the Congregation:

Charles Magruder, Goldie Davis, Ray Stanley, Starla Lawler,  
Iona Ames & Martha Dessinger

### Prayer Families:

Richard & Joan Pederson  
Paul & Karen Petersen  
John & Paulette Peterson  
Marilyn Peterson-Shipp

### Pray for:

 (a church in our Presbytery; a church in Fort Dodge)

First Presbyterian Church, Lakota – CRE Kent Madison &  
New Covenant Christian Church –  
Pastor Josh Carmody & Pastor Dan Altman

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**Summer camps at Lakeshore Center have been canceled for this year.** Please visit their website, <https://lakeshorecenteratokoboji.org/>, for more information

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If you are in need of anything at all, please do not hesitate to contact the church office. We will help in any way that we can. We have Deacons' and other funds set aside to assist with purchases of necessities. This includes food and any household items necessary to get you through this time. If transportation is an issue, we will be glad to deliver items to your home.


Church Office: 515.576.2091, Pastor Sara: 484.354.8446,  
Pastor Rebecca: 319.215.7900, Pastor Austin: 925.788.2245

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### Share your quarantine stories with us!

We want to hear from you! Life has looked a lot different for most of us over the past couple months. We've witnessed the good and bad sides of humanity. We've helped others and been helped ourselves. Some of us have spent the time alone while others have been spending more time with loves ones than ever before. Regardless of our circumstances, we are assured of one thing... God has been at work and present in our lives through it all.

We want to share your stories! Tell us how you've seen God at work in your life during the pandemic. Tell us how your perspective on life has changed or tell us how you've witnessed others showing God's love. Send us an email to [qstories@firstpresfd.org](mailto:qstories@firstpresfd.org). We'll share some of your stories on social media, in the Enews, newsletter and bulletins.

This is the bulletin for Sunday, July 12<sup>th</sup>. Please use this to follow along while we broadcast the service. Tune in to our YouTube Channel: FPC Fort Dodge  and our Facebook page at 10 am. You can access both of these channels from our website by clicking on these icons:



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## Good Good Father

I've heard a thousand stories  
Of what they think You're like  
But I've heard the tender whisper  
Of love in the dead of night  
You tell me that You're pleased  
And that I'm never alone

### CHORUS

You're a Good Good Father  
It's who You are  
It's who You are  
It's who You are  
And I'm loved by You  
It's who I am  
It's who I am  
It's who I am

I've seen many searching for answers  
Far and wide  
But I know we're all searching for answers  
Only You provide  
Because You know just what we need  
Before we say a word

### CHORUS

You are perfect in all of Your ways  
You are perfect in all of Your ways  
You are perfect in all of Your ways to us  
**REPEAT**

Love so undeniable I can hardly speak  
Peace so unexplainable I can hardly think  
As You call me deeper still  
As You call me deeper still  
As You call me deeper still  
Into love love love

### CHORUS (REPEAT)

GOD

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## Great Is Thy Faithfulness

Lamentations 3:22-23

FAITHFULNESS 11.10.11.10 with refrain

Thomas Obediah Chisholm, 1923

William Marion Runyan, 1923

1. \*Great is Thy faith - ful - ness, O God my Fa - ther,  
2. Sum - mer and win - ter, and spring - time and har - vest,  
3. Par - don for sin and a peace that en - dur - eth,

There is no shad - ow of turn - ing with Thee;  
Sun, moon, and stars in their cours - es a - bove;  
Thine own dear pres - ence to cheer and to guide;

Thou chang - est not, Thy com - pas - sions they fail not;  
Join with all na - ture in man - i - fold wit - ness  
Strength for to - day and bright hope for to - mor - row,

As Thou hast been Thou for - ev - er wilt be.  
To Thy great faith - ful - ness, mer - cy, and love.  
Bless - ings all mine, with ten thou - sand be - side!

Great is Thy faith - ful - ness! Great is Thy faith - ful - ness!

Morn - ing by morn - ing new mer - cies I see; All I have need - ed Thy

hand hath pro - vid - ed; Great is Thy faith - ful - ness, Lord, un - to me!

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I Love You, Lord

I love you, Lord, — and I lift my voice — to  
 wor - ship you, O my soul re - joice. Take  
 joy, my King, — in what you hear, — may it be a  
 sweet, sweet sound in your ear. —

**No Longer Slaves**

You unravel me with a melody  
 You surround me with a song  
 Of deliverance from my enemies  
 Till all my fears are gone

**CHORUS**

I'm no longer a slave to fear  
 I am a child of God  
 I'm no longer a slave to fear  
 I am a child of God

From my Mother's womb  
 You have chosen me  
 Love has called my name  
 I've been born again into Your family  
 Your blood flows through my veins

**CHORUS (2X)**

You split the sea so I could walk right through it  
 My fears were drowned in perfect love  
 You rescued me so I could stand and sing  
 I am a child of God

**CHORUS**

**Mighty To Save**

Ev'ryone needs compassion  
 Love that's never failing  
 Let mercy fall on me  
 Ev'ryone needs forgiveness  
 The kindness of a Saviour  
 The hope of nations

**CHORUS**

Saviour He can move the mountains  
 My God is mighty to save  
 He is mighty to save  
 Forever Author of salvation  
 He rose and conquered the grave  
 Jesus conquered the grave

So take me as You find me  
 All my fears and failures  
 Fill my life again  
 I give my life to follow  
 Ev'rything I believe in  
 Now I surrender

**CHORUS**

Shine your light and let the whole world see  
 We're singing  
 For the glory of the risen King  
 Jesus  
 Shine your light and let the whole world see  
 We're singing  
 For the glory of the risen King

**CHORUS**