



Second Congregational UCC/First Presbyterian Church PC(USA)
Energizing downtown Rockford and beyond with God's grace

Second Sunday after Pentecost
Order of Worship

June 2, 2024
10:00 am

**= please rise, whether in body or in spirit*

PRELUDE

“Chant de Paix”
(Song of Peace)

J. Langlais

WELCOME

Leader: May the Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Children in grades Pre-K through 5th may leave for Sunday School and will return to their parents/guardians for Communion.

Becky Erbe

***CALL TO WORSHIP◆**

Leader: All heaven and earth proclaim the majesty of God's creative power!

All: Praise God for the amazing and awesome beauty.

Doug Phillips

Leader: God has given to us codes by which to live together in harmony and peace.

All: In these commandments, God has summed up the ways we must respect one another.

Leader: Rejoice in the goodness of God.

All: Praise God for God's complete and steadfast love for us. Amen.

***HYMN #409 vs 1-4**

“God is Here”

ABBOT'S LEIGH

CALL TO TRANSFORM◆◆

PRAYER OF TRANSFORMATION

Marge Maynard

Dear God, the creator of all things based on love. You created us in your image of love and there have been times we have fallen short of that love, not only to you but to each other and all of creation. I ask for your forgiveness and from you, present today, my siblings, sisters and brothers in Christ. I thank you for the comforting strength and compassion of the Holy Spirit to do better in bringing love and grace and all I do. In Jesus' name we pray in this silence.

One Minute of silent reflection

WORDS OF GRACE

***THE PEACE**

Leader: Peace be with you.

All: And also with you.

*GLORIA PATRI

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost: as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end, Amen Amen.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Marge Maynard

ANTHEM

“Let Us Break Bread Together”
Hayley Gotzsche, soprano

A. A. Spiritual/arr. G. Walker

SCRIPTURE READING

Deuteronomy 5:12-15

Becky Erbe

Reader: The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ.

All: Thanks be to God.

LATER WORD

“Just a Day Off?”

Becky Erbe

*HYMN #145 vs 1-3

“Open My Eyes That I May See”

OPEN MY EYES

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

Becky Erbe

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

THE GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Leader: The Lord be with you.

All: And also, with you.

Leader: Lift up your hearts

All: We lift them to the Lord.

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right to give God thanks and praise, oh God.

Leader: And so, in thanks and praise we join our voices in the song of the angels and saints, who forever sing to you, as we sing:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly are you,



God of pow - er and might; heav - en and earth are



full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est!



Bless - ed is the one who comes in your name.



Ho - san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est!

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

BREAKING THE BREAD AND POURING THE WINE

SHARING THE FEAST

An Open Table! When we celebrate Holy Communion, we are all guests at the table, and Jesus himself is our host. We have not earned a place at the table, rather we are invited because of the amazing grace of God. For that reason, this celebration of Holy Communion is open to all, including children, and not merely members of this congregation or denominations. This is a joyful feast for all the people of God. In order to extend hospitality to more of God's children, the cup is non-alcoholic and the bread is gluten free.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

Marge Maynard

There are many ways to give of yourself to the church: The obvious, money. You can mail in your offering or click the orange DONATE button top right at secondfirst.org. Text to give is live! Text Give \$__ to 815-335-9911 and follow the instructions. Please send your prayer requests to Pastor Becky: becky.erbe@secondfirst.org.

SONG OF OFFERING

"An Offering"
Hayley Gotzsche, soprano

D. Forrest

*DOXOLOGY #606

*PRAYER FOR DEDICATION

Marge Maynard

*HYMN #322 (sing twice)

"We Are One In the Spirit"

SOMOS UNOS

*BENEDICTION

Becky Erbe

please remain seated for the postlude

POSTLUDE

"When the Roll is Called Up Yonder"

J. Black/arr. V. Labenske

◆ written by Nancy C. Townley, posted on the Ministry Matters website.

◆◆ Worship Ways

Valerie Blair, organist, pianist

Ann Stites, greeter

Bill and Sally Hoff, Tim and Darlene Riddle, Steve Erbe, Katy Paterson, Communion servers

Karen Hill, Greg Makulec, ushers

Steve Muntz, Wes Hegge sound, video

John Maynard, van driver

Prayer Requests

- Continue prayers for Nancy Gallegos, Brad Delmore, John Livermore, Jeanne Page, Ron and Donna Schaad, Linda Miller, Richard Lierman, Jacob Crow (Adrian and Joshua Crow's nephew), Randy Beeman (Holly Beeman's brother), Brian and Patty Breuhaus and family (Lenore Lund and John DeWaters Son), Hayden Hallberg, Lenore Lund, Sharon Ockerlander, Bethany Stiltner, Kathy Moton, Ann Stites, Katy Paterson, Sally Baker, Stephanie Cooper, Beckett Krieg, Philip and Shirley Davidson.
- And we pray for all those at home and in long-term care facilities, who may not be in worship regularly, but who remain part of our family of faith: Betty Klingensmith, Shirley Anderson, Jeanne Page, Marsha Martin, Billye Vernam, Willene Ziebell, Jan Elliott, Wally Gayle, and Charles Rosche.

FCE Fishing Outing is TODAY Sunday, June 2 at 12:00 P.M. in our local and beautiful Rock Cut State Park. Fishing poles, bait, hotdogs will be provided. RSVP to Jess Lindblade Text: 847-312-6721 jessie0361@aol.com

A memorial service to honor Lois E. Calhoun's life will be at Fitzgerald Funeral Home & Crematory, Riverside Chapel, at 3910 N. Rockton Avenue at 1:00 PM on Friday, June 7, 2024. Desserts and beverages following the service.

Rock River Valley Pantry requests Peanut Butter and MORE Peanut Butter! It's that time of year to help make sure the peanut butter inventory is in great shape at the Rock River Valley Pantry. Jars of any kind of nut butter are needed. The Pantry is able to buy 12 jars of peanut butter for \$20.00. Donate online at www.rrvp.org, or mark Pantry in the Memo line of your check made out to SecondFirst Church.

Jeremiah Development Garden is in need a few volunteers to work with people from Court St. and Emmanuel Episcopal to tend the **Jeremiah Development Garden**. All levels of gardening experience are welcome! Join this group as they gather Saturday mornings from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Tools are provided, but you can bring your favorite tool along with your gloves. If you are interested in helping out, please contact Judy Wyatt 815-977-7607. Thank you.

Calendar at a Glance June 2, 2024 – June 9, 2024

<p>Sunday, June 2 Communion 10:00 AM – Worship Service 10:20 AM – Sunday School 11:00 AM – Fair Trade Store</p> <p>Monday, June 3 11:30 AM – Serious Soup</p>	<p>Tuesday, June 4 7:00 AM – Men's Prayer Breakfast 9:00 AM – Thrift Shop 6:00 PM – DVT/Ad Hoc</p> <p>Wednesday, June 5 10:00 AM – Staff Meeting 11:30 AM – Staff Appreciation Lunch</p> <p>Thursday, June 6 No Scheduled Activities</p>	<p>Friday, June 7 5:30 PM – Governing Council Retreat</p> <p>Saturday, June 8 10:30 AM – Ruby Beckman Service</p> <p>Sunday, June 9 Jim Ozee Bob Bates 10:00 AM – Worship Service 10:20 AM – Sunday School 11:00 AM – Fair Trade Store</p>
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