



Second Congregational UCC/First Presbyterian Church PC(USA)

Energizing downtown Rockford and beyond with God's grace

Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

June 30, 2024

Order of Worship

10:00 am

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

PRELUDE

“Andante cantabile, Symphony IV”

C. M. Widor

WELCOME

Becky Erbe

Leader: May the Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

*CALL TO WORSHIP♦

Darlene Riddle

Leader: Sing praises to God, all you faithful ones

All: God hears us in our fear and our sorrow

Leader: Where there was no way

All: God leads us in a new way

Leader: Where there was no mercy

All: God surprises us with fresh mercy

Leader: Where there was weeping

All: God invites us to step into a new dance.

***HYMN #687 vs. 1-6**

“Our God, Our Help in Ages Past”

ST. ANNE

CALL TO TRANSFORM♦♦

PRAYER FOR TRANSFORMATION

Phil Davidson

Leader: When we resist your call to open our hearts to allow the freshness of your grace to enter:

All: God have mercy.

Leader: When we close our eyes to your new and unexpected possibilities of healing and reconciliation.

All: Christ have mercy.

Leader: When we let fear overwhelm us, and cling to the security of what we know instead of risking new steps toward your freedom and justice:

All: God have mercy.

One Minute of silent reflection

***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.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Marge Maynard

ANTHEM

"Through the Love of God"
Jim Burright vocals and guitar,
Doug Phillips, vocals and string bass

Mary Peters and Ian Tyson

SCRIPTURE READING

Daniel 3:16-28

Becky Erbe

Reader: The Word of God for the people of God.

All: Thanks be to God.

LATER WORD

"No Fear in God"

Becky Erbe

***HYMN #340 vs. 1-3**

"This Is My Song"

FINLANDIA

PASTORAL PRAYER

Phil Davidson

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

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

"Here We Are"
Jim Burright vocals and guitar,
Doug Phillips, vocals and string bass

Ray Repp

***DOXOLOGY #606**

***PRAYER FOR DEDICATION**

***HYMN** #542 vs. 1-4

“God Be with You Till We Meet Again”

GOD BE WITH YOU

***BENEDICTION**

Becky Erbe

please remain seated for the postlude

POSTLUDE

“Fanfare”

J. Lemmens

*The flowers on the Chancel are
provided by Jeanie Reese*

♦ written by Rev. Susan A. Blain, and posted on the Worship Ways website. <http://uccfiles.com/>

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Bob Bates, organist, pianist

Jean Reese and Audrey Williams, greeters

Karen Hill, Greg Makulec, ushers

Wes Hegge sound, video

Tim Riddle, van driver

Prayer Requests -

- Prayers for the family of Jayne Pheiffer who passed away Saturday morning June 22. Service will be held sometime in July.
- Continue prayers for **George Bull**, Donna Larson, Bill Zartman, Nancy Gallegos, Brad Delmore, John Livermore, Jeanne Page, Ron and Donna Schaad, Linda Miller, 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, Charles Rosche.

Church Office will be closed next week, July 1 through July 5, no scheduled activities.

Euchre Night July 10 at 6:30 pm in the Dining Room

We had another fun night playing euchre. We also always have great snacks. Whether you're a seasoned player, a novice or somewhere in between, we'd love to have you join us at 6:30 on July 10th in the dining room. **Questions? Contact Katy Paterson or Linda Johnson.**

Too Hot To Be Outside? Now is your chance to **watch some movies for our Summer Movie Series.**

July 14- The Book of Eli.

Yes, it does contain violence and is apocalyptic in nature but with a good plot twist.

July 21- The Song of Bernadette- Black and White Classic! May need a box of Kleenex

July 28- The Straight Story- Hero's journey to redemption.

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. If you are unable to make a Saturday, the team has scheduled Monday, June 24 and Tuesday, June 25 from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Tools are provided, but you can bring your favorite tool along with your gloves. Interested in helping out? Please contact Judy Wyatt 815-979-7607. Thank you.

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.rvp.org, or mark Pantry in the Memo line of your check made out to SecondFirst Church.

Calendar at a Glance June 30, 2024 – July 7, 2024

Sunday, June 30 Special Music by Jim Burright /Doug Phillips 10:00 AM – Worship Service 10:20 AM – Sunday School 11:00 AM – Fair Trade Store Monday, July 1 No Serious Soup No Hospitality Office Closed	Tuesday, July 2 Office Closed Wednesday, July 3 Office Closed Thursday, July 4 Independence Day Office Closed	Friday, June 28 Office Closed Saturday, June 29 No Scheduled Activities Sunday, July 7 Kristine Delmore Jan N & Linda O Organ Duet 10:00 AM – Worship Service 10:20 AM – Sunday School 11:00 AM – Fair Trade Store
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