



Second Congregational UCC/First Presbyterian Church PC(USA)

Energizing downtown Rockford and beyond with God's grace

Tenth Sunday after Pentecost
Order of Worship

July 28, 2024
10:00 am

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

PRELUDE

“Just As I Am”

W. Bradbury/arr. J Raney

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Marge Maynard

WELCOME

Becky Erbe

*CALL TO WORSHIP♦

Marge Maynard

Leader: Rejoice, folks, Jesus is in our midst.

All: Feed us, Jesus, and fill us with hope.

Leader: Be glad, friends, Jesus has bread and fish to spare.

All: Free us, Jesus, from the pursuit of food that does not satisfy.

Leader: Sing for joy, people of God; God gathers up the pieces of our lives, that nothing may be lost.

All: Thanks be to God!

*HYMN # 4 vs 1-4

“Holy God, We Praise Your Name”

GROSSER GOTT

CALL TO TRANSFORM♦♦

PRAYER OF TRANSFORMATION

Becky Erbe

Leader: God of gentle rains and warm sun, God who encourages growth;

All: we are creatures who sometimes grow quickly, and sometimes get stuck.

Leader: God of freedom, of liberation, of binding ropes being cut;

All: we are bound in ways we don't always understand or recognize.

Leader: God of exodus and exile and homecoming, God who calls us to leave where we are and come home;

All: help us to have the courage to make the journey and to trust in the path.

Leader: God of health and healing, God who wants us to be made whole;

All: we come as people who are wounded in body and in spirit, people who seek healing.

Leader: God who has laid out a way for us to live, who has given us rules for living in community;

All: we come as people who sometimes go astray, people who stretch the rules.

One Minute of silent reflection

WORDS OF GRACE

Becky Erbe

Leader: we come as people who live through that Grace.

All: And so we praise you for the growth, we rejoice in being set free, we dance along the path that leads us home, we give thanks for the healing we have received, we relax in the knowledge that we are transformed and we live as people of Grace. Amen.

*THE PEACE

Leader: May the Peace of Christ 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.

SCRIPTURE READING

Ephesians 3:14-21

Becky Erbe

ANTHEM

“Come to the Waters”
Marge Maynard, soprano

G. F. Handel/arr. C. Frederickson

SCRIPTURE READING

Mark 11:12-14; 20-25

Becky Erbe

Reader: The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ.

All: Thanks be to God.

LATER WORD

Gift of Forgiveness

Becky Erbe

*HYMN #822 vs 1-4

“When We Are Living ”

SOMOS DEL SENOR

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

Phil Davidson

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

“How Can I Keep From Singing?”
Marge Maynard, soprano
John Maynard, tenor, guitar

trad./arr. S. Warner

*DOXOLOGY #606

*PRAYER FOR DEDICATION

Phil Davidson

*HYMN #322 vs (sing twice)

“We Are One in Christ Jesus ”

SOMOS UNO

*BENEDICTION

Becky Erbe

please remain seated for the postlude

POSTLUDE

“Trumpet Tune”

J. Stanley / arr. S. Wolff

*The flowers on the Chancel are
in memory of loved ones by Darlene and Tim Riddle.*

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Valerie Blair, organist, pianist

Darlene and Tim Riddle, greeters

Karen Hill, Greg Makulec, ushers

Wes Hegge, sound, video

John Maynard, van driver

Prayer Requests

- We offer prayers for the family and friends of Nancy Gallegos who passed away July 23, 2024. Memorial service to be announced at a later date.
- Continue prayers for 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, Jan Elliott, Wally Gayle, Charles Rosche.

Announcements

Look for other Second/First members in the audience and maybe even on the stage **at the Sinnissippi Band Shell on Tuesday, July 30th at 7 pm.** The Rock Valley Summer Festival is performing in the Rockford Park District's Music in the Park Series.

Jeremiah Development

SAVE THE DATE

Love Rockford

August 17

We hope you're saving the date of **August 18th** and plan to attend the **Church Picnic at Anna Page Park!** Brats and hot dogs will be provided to accompany your favorite potluck dishes. Food, fun and fellowship are always enjoyed at this annual picnic.

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.

Calendar at a Glance July 28, 2024 – August 4, 2024

Sunday, July 28 Movie Series 10:00 AM – Worship Service 10:20 AM – Sunday School 11:00 AM – Fair Trade Store Monday, July 29 8:00 AM – Park District Camp 11:30 AM – Serious Soup 6:30 PM – Worship/Music Zoom	Tuesday, July 30 7:00 AM – Men's Prayer Breakfast 8:00 AM – Park District Camp 7:00 PM – Sinnissippi Band Shell Wednesday, July 31 8:00 AM – Park District Camp 10:00 AM – Staff Meeting Thursday, August 1 8:00 AM – Park District Camp 5:30 PM – DVT	Friday, August 2 No Scheduled Activities Saturday, August 3 No Scheduled Activities Sunday, August 4 Jim Ozee 10:00 AM – Worship Service 10:20 AM – Sunday School 11:00 AM – Fair Trade Store
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