

First Presbyterian Church Kasson, Mn.

Rev. Amanda Boss

September 12, 2021

Dan Kaufeld - Music

10:00 a.m.

We Approach God

Announcements

Prelude "Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee"
(hymn # 629) arr. by Paul Taylor

***Call to Worship** Rosalie Trom - Liturgist

L: Lord, open our hearts this morning to hear your words of compassion.

P: Lord, help us to truly listen to you.

L: Lord, open our spirits this morning to strengthen our faith.

P: Lord, help us to work for you.

L: Lord, make us ready to serve.

P: Lord, make us ready to worship.

*** Hymn No. 14** "For the Beauty of the Earth"

***Prayer of Confession**

Forgiving God, You have asked us to bear fruit in our lives and to share our faith with others. Yet so many times we have failed You in doing this. We have let You down and let ourselves down. Our thoughts and words have failed You; we have missed opportunities to speak up for our belief in You, choosing to remain silent instead of witnessing for You. Our discipleship has been weak and often non-existent. We are ashamed of our weaknesses, faults, greed, selfishness, envy, and pride. Our faith has been shallow, and we have failed You in so many ways. In Your forgiving mercy and grace cleanse our hearts and minds that we may better serve You and so that we can feel strengthened to follow You more faithfully each day.

Amen

***Assurance of Grace**

God's words and actions are never careless; In sending Jesus Christ to the world, God offers a model and a companion, A source of ever-flowing love and acceptance and wisdom. In Christ we are forgiven all our failings and given strength to start again. May the God of mercy, who forgives all our sins, strengthen us in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life. Amen

***Gloria Patri Hymn No. 581**

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.

We are Inspired by God

Hymn No. 2233 "Where Children Belong"
This, this is where children belong, welcomed as part of the worshiping throng. Water, God's Word, bread and cup, prayer, and song: This is where children belong.

Children's Time

Prayer for Illumination

Responsive Reading: Psalm 116:1-9 (See insert)

Scripture Reading: Mark 8:27-38 *New Testament -page 53*
James 3:1-12 *New Testament -page 279*

Sermon: The Power of Words Rev. Amanda Boss

*Hymn No. 693 "Though I May Speak"

We Respond to God

***Affirmation of Faith from the Apostles Creed (in Unison)**

I Believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ, His Only Son, our Lord, Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried. He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty, from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

The Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

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.

Call for Offering

Offertory "Thy Word"
(hymn # 458) by Amy Grant and Michael Smith arr. by Mark Hayes

***Doxology No. 606**

***Prayer of Dedication (in Unison)**

Loving God, Jesus taught us “where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.” We offer our gifts to you knowing they are part of our treasure, and we do so with the hope that our hearts, our actions, and the words of our tongues will likewise follow. We acknowledge that the tongues that praise you are often the ones that hurt you, when we use them to diminish or discount one of your precious children. Guide our hearts, minds, and tongues to the words that bring you joy. In Christ’s name, we pray. Amen.

***Hymn No 450** *“Be Thou My Vision”*

***Benediction**

***Dismissal Hymn 2241 (4th verse)** The Spirit Sends Us Forth to Serve
“Then let us go to serve in peace, the gospel to proclaim. God’s Spirit has empowered us; we go in Jesus’ name.”

***Postlude** *“We Will Glorify”*
By Twila Paris



Sunday September 12, 2021

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101 6th Ave. NW

Kasson, MN

Responsive Reading

Psalm 116:1-9

L: I love the Lord, because he has heard my voice and my supplications.

P: Because he inclined his ear to me, therefore I will call on him as long as I live.

L: The snares of death encompassed me; the pangs of Sheol laid hold on me; I suffered distress and anguish.

P: Then I called on the name of the Lord: "O Lord, I pray, save my life!"

L: Gracious is the Lord, and righteous; our God is merciful.

P: The Lord protects the simple; when I was brought low, he saved me.

L: Return, O my soul, to your rest, for the Lord has dealt bountifully with you.

P: For you have delivered my soul from death, my eyes from tears, my feet from stumbling.

All: We walk before the LORD in the land of the living.

WELCOME VISITORS. Thank you for coming to worship with us.

Our Website is www.presbykasson.org

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Bulletin Announcements:

On Sunday September 19, Sunday school for kids and adults will resume at 9:00am.

Nomination forms for new deacons, elders, and nominating committee members are available on the back table in the fellowship hall. Please turn them into the church office

Treasurer's Report:

Receipts August 2021	\$ 9,553.19
Expenses August 2021	\$ 7,051.22
Balance August 2021	\$ 2,501.97
Needed weekly	\$ 2,375.16
Needed monthly	\$ 10,292.35

*Per Capita connects Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) congregations and mid councils with the work of the wider church. All Presbyterians are called to take part in the whole church's ecclesiastical and administrative work through per capita giving. Our church is required to pay a per capita amount for each church member. The per capita amount for 2021 is \$36.50 for each church member. If you would like to pay your per capita please use the blue per capita envelopes located on the back table in the fellowship hall. They can be returned to an offering plate or the church office.

*The Coronavirus subcommittee wants to remind everyone of the church's policy regarding masks.

Masks are recommended but not required

^They are recommended because there is a risk of indoor singing, we have high risk people in our congregation, and children are not able to be vaccinated yet.

^Everyone can make their own choice to wear one or not wear one.