

# First Presbyterian Church Kasson, Mn.

January 9, 2022      **Rev. Amanda Boss**  
Dan Kaufeld, organist      **10:00 a.m.**

## We Approach God

Gathering Music:      “Epiphany Road”      by Ben Logan

## Announcements

Prelude:      “I Will Serve Thee”      by William Gaither

Choral Introit:      “Sanctuary”      by John Thompson & Randy Scruggs

## \*Call to Worship      Liturgist, Sue Alberts

L: All creation proclaims the greatness and love of God.

**P: God's love permeates even the deepest darkness.**

L: The light of God shines on us with new hope.

**P: We are called to be people of compassion and justice.**

L: Open our hearts, O Lord, to see your light and live in your hope.

**P: Prepare us for service to all your people and to this world. Amen.**

\* Hymn No. 408      “There’s a Sweet, Sweet Spirit”

## \*Prayer of Confession

**Lord, You have called us by name, knowing each of us, and loving us. We are astonished by this. We know that we have behaved in very unloving ways and in some behaviors which do not promote your love and peace. Forgive us for our blindness. Turn us around. Help us to be people who not only recognize the light, but who are willing to live in that light, bringing help to others in your name. For we pray this in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.**

## \*Assurance of Grace

**The good news in Christ is that when we face ourselves and God with the awareness of our need, we are given grace to grow, and courage to continue the journey. Believe the good news of the gospel. In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.**

\*Gloria Patri Hymn No. 581

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

Choir Anthem:      “Here I Am”      by Daniel Schutte, arr. by Stan Pethel

## Service of Installation

Session- Class of 2024 Deacons- Class of 2024

Lisa Carlsen

Sue Alberts

Rosalie Trom

Bill Kase (Session) and Quinita Kase (Deacon) will be installed at a later date.

(Please see the announcements section at the end of the worship bulletin for the Constitutional Questions)

## Prayer for Illumination

### Scripture Reading: Isaiah 43:1-7

L: But now thus says the LORD, he who created you, O Jacob, he who formed you, O Israel: Do not fear, for I have redeemed you;

**P: I have called you by name, you are mine.**

L: When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you;

**P: When you walk through fire you shall not be burned, and the flame shall not consume you.**

L: For I am the LORD your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Savior. I give Egypt as your ransom, Ethiopia and Seba in exchange for you.

**P: Because you are precious in my sight, and honored, and I love you,**

L: I give people in return for you, nations in exchange for your life.

**P: Do not fear, for I am with you; I will bring your offspring from the east, and from the west I will gather you;**

L: I will say to the north, "Give them up," and to the south, "Do not withhold; bring my sons from far away and my daughters from the end of the earth--

**P: Everyone who is called by my name, whom I created for my glory, whom I formed and made.**

Scripture Reading: Luke 3:15-17,21-22  
Acts 8:14-17

Pg. 73 NT  
Pg. 153-154 NT

Sermon We are Called by Name Rev. Amanda Boss

\*Hymn No. 482 *"Baptized in Water"*

### 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 bur-  
ied. 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.**

### COMMUNION

**Invitation to the Lord's Table**

**Great Thanksgiving**

L: The Lord be with you.

**P: And also with you.**

L: **Lift up your hearts!**

**P: We lift them up to the Lord.**

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

**P: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

### 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 of the Bread

**Communion of the People**

**Prayer After Communion**

Choral Amen #601

Call for Offering

Offertory: "The Living Bread" arr. by Richard Blake  
(I FILII ET FILIAE)

\*Doxology No. 606

\*Prayer of Dedication (in Unison)

**O God, maker and provider of all, you have blessed us with  
many gifts. Use us and what we have gathered to feed the world  
through your love; through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus  
Christ our Savior and Lord, we pray. Amen.**

\*Hymn No. 475 *"Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing"*

\*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: "I'm Gonna Live so God Can Use Me"  
Arr. by Paul Taylor

## CONSTITUTIONAL QUESTIONS

for

Ordination and Installation of Deacons and Elders

- Do you trust in Jesus Christ your Savior, acknowledge Him Lord of all and Head of the Church, and through Him believe in one God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit? ***I do.***
- Do you accept the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments to be, by the Holy Spirit, the unique and authoritative witness to Jesus Christ in the Church universal, and God's Word to you? ***I do.***
- Do you sincerely receive and adopt the essential tenets of the Reformed faith as expressed in the confessions of our church as authentic and reliable expositions of what Scripture leads us to believe and do, and will you be instructed and led by those confessions as you lead the people of God? ***I do and I will.***
- Will you fulfill your office in obedience to Jesus Christ, under the authority of Scripture, and be continually guided by our confessions? ***I will.***
- Will you be governed by our church's polity, and will you abide by its discipline? Will you be a friend among your colleagues in ministry, working with them, subject to the ordering of God's Word and Spirit? ***I will.***
- Will you in your own life seek to follow the Lord Jesus Christ, love your neighbors, and work for the reconciliation of the world? ***I will.***
- Do you promise to further the peace, unity, and purity of the church? ***I do.***
- Will you seek to serve the people with energy, intelligence, imagination, and love? ***I will***

To Deacons:

- Will you be a faithful deacon, teaching charity, urging concern, and directing the people's help to the friendless and those in need? In your ministry will you try to show the love and justice of Jesus Christ? ***I will.***

To Elders:

- Will you be a faithful elder, watching over the people, providing for their worship, nurture, and service? Will you share in government and discipline, serving in governing bodies of the church, and in your ministry will you try to show the love and justice of Jesus Christ? ***I will.***

To Church:

- Do we, the members of the church, accept Sue Alberts, Lisa Carlsen, and Rosalie Trom as officers, chosen by God through the voice of this congregation to lead us in the way of Jesus Christ? ***We do.***
- Do we agree to encourage them, to respect their decisions, and to follow as they guide us, serving Jesus Christ who alone is Head of the Church? ***We do***

**WELCOME VISITORS.** Thank you for coming to worship with us.  
Our Website is [www.presbykasson.org](http://www.presbykasson.org)

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**Bulletin Announcements:**

\*Please contact Pastor Amanda if you need pastoral care, extra prayers or a visit. Her cell phone number is 507-218-2267 and her email is [presbypastor@kmtel.com](mailto:presbypastor@kmtel.com).

\*Zoom Bible Study: Tuesday January 11 at 7pm- Animate: Genre: Rhythm of the Texts

\*Choir Practice Wednesdays at 6:30 PM

\*Final Deadline for Annual is Wednesday, January 19th

\*Congregation Meeting will be on Sunday, January 30 following worship.

**Treasurer's Report:**

Receipts December 2021	15,185.39
Expenses December 2021	9,426.87
Balance December 2021	5,758.52
Needed weekly	2,375.16
Needed monthly	\$ 10,292.35



**Sunday January 9, 2022**

**First Presbyterian Church**

**101 6th Ave. NW**

**Kasson, MN**

We have an inclement weather plan that has been approved by session.

**Cancellations or Delays will be communicated  
in the following ways:**

- \* The church's homepage of our website ([www.presbykasson.org](http://www.presbykasson.org))
- \* The church's Facebook page ([www.facebook.com/firstpresbyterianchurch-kasson-mn](http://www.facebook.com/firstpresbyterianchurch-kasson-mn))
- \*KTTC-10 On TV and online (<https://kttc.com/closings-and-delays/>)
- \* As a recorded message on the answering system at the church (634-7481). In case of a church closure, the Clerk of Session and Pastor Amanda make the decision and then clear it with one other Session Member. Then the rest of the Session members are notified before the above procedures are put in place.