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First Presbyterian Church of Leesburg

August 6, 2023 10:00 a.m.

THE LITURGY FOR GATHERING

WELCOME & OPPORTUNITIES FOR MINISTRY

Rev. RJ Leek

PRELUDE Carole Makus, Piano

My Faith Has Found a Resting Place

CALL TO WORSHIP

*How Majestic Is Your Name

*How Great Is Our God

Just As I Am

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Betty Palmer, Lay Leader

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)

God of compassion and mercy,

You sent us Your Son as the savior of the world, and told us to love one another as much as You loved us.

Yet, we struggle to love each other.

We have a hard time loving those who are not like us,

who disagree with us, or who ask us to face the truths about ourselves.

You told us to love one another, because love is from God.

And we often do not love those we think are

dirty, hungry, lost, or undesirable.

It is written that perfect love casts out fear, and yet we are afraid.

Afraid for our safety, our wallets, and how others perceive us.

Forgive us, God, and show us how to love the way

You command us to love.

Release us from our judgment and our fear.

Open our hearts so that we might receive

Your perfect love for us, and offer it to the world.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS (Unison)

Betty Palmer, Lay Leader

God forgives those who humbly repent and truly believe the gospel.

Since Jesus died for us, we have peace with God,

to whom be praise and honor for ever. Amen.

PASSING OF THE PEACE

Becca Redding

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ADVENTURE TIME



WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING Offering

Somebody's Knocking at Your Door

*Doxology

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, Ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.

*Prayer of Dedication

Betty Palmer, Lay Leader

Sufficient Grace

Rev. Leek

PRAYERS FOR THE PEOPLE

Our 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.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

THE SCRIPTURES

Betty Palmer, Lay Leader

Isaiah 55: 1-5; Romans 9: 1-5

THE WORD PROCLAIMED

Rev. RJ Leek

"Desperate for God"

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE Jesus, Thou Joy of Living Hearts

Rev. Leek Sufficient Grace & Congregation

DISTRIBUTION OF THE ELEMENTS

Rev. Leek

*BENEDICTION

Rev. Leek

*RESPONSE TO THE BENEDICTION

Sufficient Grace & Congregation

Go With Us, Lord

POSTLUDE

Carole Makus, Piano

Praise Him! Praise Him!

First Presbyterian Church August 6, 2023 bulletin



Monday, August 7, 2023

Men's Breakfast, 7:30 a.m., Perkins Restaurant, Hwy. 441 South & SR 48. No reservations needed. Come as you are.

Tuesday August 8, 2023

FSP (Finance, Stewardship & Property) Meeting, Parlor, 4 p.m.

Wednesday, August 9, 2023

Sufficient Grace practice, Sanctuary, 9:45 a.m. Staff Meeting, Conference Room, 11 a.m. Joyful Ringers practice, Choir Room, 5 p.m.

Thursday, August 10, 2023

Lake County Schools begin the fall term.

Presbyterian Woman Ruth Circle, Movie/Bible Study, Parlor, 9:30 a.m.

Friday, August 11, 2023

Joining Hands in Food Ministry, Inc, 8:30-10:30 a.m., Gloria Dei parking lot (neighbor) food distribution, volunteers needed and welcome.

Tuesday, Sept. 12, 2023

2ndTuesday@First fellowship dinner, starting (earlier) at 5:00 p.m. Dinner is being provided by Oakwood BBQ. Suggested donations \$10/person.



Decorating the church lobby

There are plans to move the fireplace from the lobby and to decorate that wall area with a variety of crosses. The crosses should be no bigger than 18 inches wide X 24 inches long. Multiple smaller sizes and shapes and designs are suggested and welcome. Pastor RJ will review the choices. Is there a story behind the cross you donate? Here is a nice example of the decor at GraceWay Church. Contact Susan at the church office, 352 787 5687.

"I didn't know you were here."

That's a comment we hear from people in the community even though we have been here since 1869.

We can all have an effect in celebrating and sharing the Good News at First Pres.
Facebook is a place to begin with a tip from Danny Licata, Media Specialist:

