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Order of Worship

PRELUDE *Now Thank We All Our God(Travis)* Marcelyn Smale

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Pastor Darin
Please sign and pass the friendship pad.

CALL TO WORSHIP

*HYMN *Now Thank We all Our God* No. 643

CALL TO CONFESSION Youth

PRAYER OF CONFESSION Youth

Holy and merciful God, in your presence we confess our failure to be what you created us to be. You alone know how often we have sinned in wandering from your ways, in wasting your gifts, in forgetting your love. By your loving mercy, help us to live in your light and abide in your ways, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Savior.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE Youth
In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.
Amen.

*RESPONSE *Glory be to the Father* No. 581

*PASSING THE PEACE Pastor Darin
The grace and peace of Christ be with you all.
And also with you.

SPECIAL MUSIC *Great Is Thy Faithfulness(Runyan)* Marcelyn Smale

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Youth

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Psalm 105:1-10

Pastor Darin

- ¹ O give thanks to the LORD; call on his name;
make known his deeds among the peoples.
- ² Sing to him, sing praises to him;
tell of all his wonderful works.
- ³ Glory in his holy name;
let the hearts of those who seek the LORD rejoice.
- ⁴ Seek the LORD and his strength;
seek his presence continually.
- ⁵ Remember the wonderful works he has done,
his miracles and the judgments he has uttered,
- ⁶ O offspring of his servant Abraham,
children of Jacob, his chosen ones.
- ⁷ He is the LORD our God;
his judgments are in all the earth.
- ⁸ He is mindful of his covenant forever,
of the word that he commanded for a thousand generations,
- ⁹ the covenant that he made with Abraham,
his sworn promise to Isaac,
- ¹⁰ which he confirmed to Jacob as a statute,
to Israel as an everlasting covenant,
The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

Pastor Darin

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

James 3:1-10

Pastor Darin

¹Not many of you should become teachers, my brothers and sisters, for you know that we who teach will face stricter judgment. ²For all of us make many mistakes. Anyone who makes no mistakes in speaking is mature, able to keep the whole body in check with a bridle. ³If we put bits into the mouths of horses to make them obey us, we guide their whole bodies. ⁴Or look at ships: though they are so large and are driven by strong winds, yet they are guided by a very small rudder wherever the will of the pilot directs. ⁵So also the tongue is a small member, yet it boasts of great exploits. How great a forest is set ablaze by a such a small fire! ⁶And the tongue is a fire. The tongue is placed among our members as a world of iniquity; it stains the whole body, sets on fire the cycle of life, and is itself set on fire by hell. ⁷For every species of beast and bird, of reptile and sea creature, can be tamed and has been tamed by the human species, ⁸but no one can tame the tongue—a restless evil, full of deadly poison. ⁹With it we bless the Lord and Father, and with it we curse people, made in the likeness of God. ¹⁰From the same mouth comes a blessing and a curse. My brothers and sisters, this ought not to be so.
The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

SERMON "The Tounge" Pastor Darin

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH Brief Statement of Faith, adapted

In life and in death we belong to God. Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel, whom alone we worship and serve.

*HYMN *How Firm a Foundation* No. 463

OFFERTORY

Invitation to Give Youth

Offertory Music *Now Thank We All Our God(Held)*

Prayer of Dedication Youth

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*HYMN *Let All Things Now Living* No. 37

BENEDICTION Pastor Darin

*SENDING SONG *The Presence of God*

POSTLUDE *Now Thank We All Our God(Karg-Elert)* Marcelyn Smale

First Presbyterian Church Happenings

Serving Us Today (Nov.19)

Youth(Worship leader), Mike Rutter/Gail Aalderks(Ushers), Jan Larson(Greeter), Jullian Euteneur, Al Jergenson, (music), Jay Espelien/Lynn Rae Olson (Audio/Video) Leah Jacobs(nursery). Pastor Darin continues his sermon series exploring the “Power of Words.”

GIFT Sunday

Meet us at Friends in Faith space after worship today to wrap gifts for our shut in members. We also have some crafts for Advent and Christmas for all ages!

Thank you from your Fellowship Committee!

To everyone who cooked, baked, volunteered, attended, and ate-A HUGE THANK YOU from Jeanne and I for a fun and very successful Stewardship Sunday Potluck. The responding response was “we love this, we need to do it more often, what great food!! We agree as Presbyterians bring their best dishes! Stay tuned and again-Thank you all, Jeanne and Joni(Fellowship Chairs)

Mother Hubbard’s Cupboard

Our food pantry is accepting non-perishable food items during the month of November. Please see the display in the East Narthex. Be sure to check the date of your food to make sure it has not expired.

Slice for Life Pie Auction

The Pregnancy Resource Center will be hosting a pie action on Tuesday, November 21, 2023 at Joy Christian Center. Pie and coffee start at 6:00pm, silent auction starts at 6:30pm.

Christmas Tea

Join us Saturday, December 2, 2023 for Christmas Tea at the church. Proceeds benefit Place of Hope. Tickets are \$20 for in person seating and \$15 for “to-go” packs. Reservation information is as follows: Brenda Espelien-(320)291-5084. Tickets sell fast!

Christmas Poinsettias

Wish to purchase a poinsettia for Christmas? The poinsettia order forms are on the table toward the back of the sanctuary. Price is \$12.50 each. Deadline for ordering is **December 10th**.

Calendar

Mon., Nov. 20

6:30 pm —Session
7:00 pm —N.A Group

Tues., Nov. 21

9:00 am—Men’s Bible Study
5:30 pm—Lowertown
6:30 pm—Interfaith Power & Light

Wed., Nov. 22

9:15 am—Women’s Bible Study
2:00 pm—Online Prayer Group
4:30 pm—Chancel Choir
6:00 pm—Crusade Choir
7:00 pm—Handbells

Thurs., Nov. 23—Thanksgiving

Office closed

Fri., Nov. 24

7:00 am—Men’s Bible Study

Sun., Nov. 26

10:00 am—Worship