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## **Order of Worship October 27, 2024 Reformation Sunday**

PRELUDE

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor Darin

*Please sign and pass the friendship pad.*

CALL TO WORSHIP                      Psalm 34:1-3

Pastor Darin

I will bless the Lord at all times,  
**God's praise will continually be in my mouth.**  
My soul makes its boast in the Lord,  
**let the humble hear and be glad.**  
O magnify the Lord with me,  
**let us exalt God's name together!**

OPENING PRAYER

Pastor Darin

\*REFORMATION HYMN            *A Mighty Fortress Is Our God*

No. 275

CALL TO CONFESSION

Rhonda Siltman

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Rhonda Siltman

**Merciful God, we have not been humble and we have not sought your wisdom. Forgive us, we pray, and teach us to boast only of you. Help us to celebrate when others seek after you. Give us the light of your wisdom and ways, through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

*(Silence for individual confession)*

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Rhonda Siltman

In Jesus Christ we have been forgiven.  
**Thanks be to God!**

\*RESPONSE

*Glory Be to the Father*

No. 581

\*PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

Pastor Darin

The grace and peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.  
**And also with you.**

SPECIAL MUSIC

Jon Tufte

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Rhonda Siltman

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Job 42:1-6, 10-17

Rhonda Siltman

42 Then Job answered the LORD: <sup>2</sup>“I know that you can do all things, and that no purpose of yours can be thwarted. <sup>3</sup>‘Who is this that hides counsel without knowledge?’ Therefore I have uttered what I did not understand, things too wonderful for me, which I did not know. <sup>4</sup>‘Hear, and I will speak; I will question you, and you declare to me.’ <sup>5</sup>I had heard of you by the hearing of the ear, but now my eye sees you; <sup>6</sup>therefore I despise myself, and repent in dust and ashes.”

<sup>10</sup>And the LORD restored the fortunes of Job when he had prayed for his friends; and the LORD gave Job twice as much as he had before. <sup>11</sup>Then there came to him all his brothers and sisters and all who had known him before, and they ate bread with him in his house; they showed him sympathy and comforted him for all the evil that the LORD had brought upon him; and each of them gave him a piece of money and a gold ring.

<sup>12</sup>The LORD blessed the latter days of Job more than his beginning; and he had fourteen thousand sheep, six thousand camels, a thousand yoke of oxen, and a thousand donkeys. <sup>13</sup>He also had seven sons and three daughters. <sup>14</sup>He named the first Jemimah, the second Keziah, and the third Keren-happuch. <sup>15</sup>In all the land there were no women so beautiful as Job’s daughters; and their father gave them an inheritance along with their brothers. <sup>16</sup>After this Job lived one hundred and forty years, and saw his children, and his children’s children, four generations. <sup>17</sup>And Job died, old and full of days.

The word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

Pastor Darin

GOSPEL TESTAMENT LESSON

Mark 10:46-52

Pastor Darin

<sup>46</sup>They came to Jericho. As he and his disciples and a large crowd were leaving Jericho, Bartimaeus son of Timaeus, a blind beggar, was sitting by the roadside. <sup>47</sup>When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout out and say, “Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!” <sup>48</sup>Many sternly ordered him to be quiet, but he cried out even more loudly, “Son of David, have mercy on me!” <sup>49</sup>Jesus stood still and said, “Call him here.” And they called the blind man, saying to him, “Take heart; get up, he is calling you.” <sup>50</sup>So throwing off his cloak, he sprang up and came to Jesus. <sup>51</sup>Then Jesus said to him, “What do you want me to do for you?” The blind man said to him, “My teacher, let me see again.” <sup>52</sup>Jesus said to him, “Go; your faith has made you well.” Immediately he regained his sight and followed him on the way.

The word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

SERMON “Let Me See Again” Pastor Darin

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH Brief Statement of Faith, adapted Pastor Darin

**We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God. Jesus proclaimed the reign of God: preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives, teaching by word and deed and blessing the children, healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted, eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners, and calling all to repent and believe the gospel.**

\*HYMN *O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing* No. 610

WE GIVE OUR OFFERINGS

Invitation to Give

Rhonda Siltman

Prayer of Dedication

Rhonda Siltman

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD’S PRAYER Pastor Darin

\*HYMN *To God be the Glory* No. 634

\*BLESSING Pastor Darin

\*POSTLUDE

\*Indicates to stand in body or spirit.

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**Kids** are welcome during worship. We have Faithful Friends—an area just off the sanctuary for younger children who want to remain with their families but find it difficult to sit for the service. Kids’ bags are also provided for help with children sitting in the pews. A nursery is provided for children under four.

**Hearing devices** are available from the sound desk.

We collect an **offering** each week. The offering, collected before and after worship, can be dropped in an offering plate located at the front and back of our sanctuary. You may also give online at [fpestcloud.org](http://fpestcloud.org)

**Sermon outlines** are provided at the back of our sanctuary.

The worship service is **livestreamed** on YouTube. You can join us again online or in person.

**Name tags** are provided in the pew rack in front of you.

# First Presbyterian Church Happenings

## Serving Us Today (Oct. 27)

Rev. Darin Seaman (Pastor), Rhonda Siltman (Worship Leader), Mike Rutter and Gail Aalderks (Ushers), Karen Larson (Greeter), Julia Owen, Rickie Espelien (Nursery), Jon Tufte, Curt Gullickson, Jullian Euteneuer (Musicians), Jay Espelien, John Scott, Karen Ondracek (Audio/Video), Norm Seehusen (Equal Exchange).

## Mother Hubbard's Cupboard (Last week)

We can help the hungry in our community by donating non-perishable food and self-care items to this October's **Mother Hubbard's Cupboard**. Tables will be setup in the hallway by the pastor's wall photos, where you can leave your donations. Examples of items needed are: soup, canned vegetables, canned fruit, pasta, dry cereal, boxed dinners, dish soap, shampoo, paper towels, etc. Please be careful to check that expiration dates have not passed, as we do not donate food that may no longer be good. Also, please donate only new, never been opened items. If you prefer to make a donation of money, please mark on your check that the money is for Mother Hubbard's Cupboard. Thank you for helping us feed our neighbors in central Minnesota.

## Prison Ministry Fellowship

We are seeking volunteers to serve weekly on Thursday mornings from 8:00 to 9:30 a.m. in the St. Cloud Correctional Facility Prison Chapel. Please pray for our team and those affected by crime and incarceration. Please contact Richard Lawrence at 320-260-9639 or email [richlawrence66@gmail.com](mailto:richlawrence66@gmail.com) to volunteer.

## Annual Fall Bake - Soup - Craft Sale (Nov 22-24)

Reminder to start thinking about the Annual craft Sale coming up next month, more detail will be included in Tower.

**The Henry Girls in Concert (Sat, Nov 2)** Join us at the church on Saturday, November 3rd at 7 pm for a live concert. The Henry Girls are a marvelous trio of sisters from Malin, Ireland: Karen, Lorna and Joleen McLaughlin. With over twenty years of gracing stages together, this trio interweaves their native traditions with bluegrass, jazz and country, and are one of Ireland's top folk acts.

## Reminder Daylight Saving Ends (Nov 3)

Fall Back or set your clocks back an hour next Sunday, Nov 3.

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## Calendar

### Mon., October 28

7:00 pm - Focus on Recovery Group

### Tues., October 29

9:00 am - Men's Bible Study

5:30 pm - LowerTown Rehearsal

### Wed., October 30

9:15 am - Women's Bible Study

2:00 pm - Online Prayer Group

4:30 pm - Chancel Choir Rehearsal

6:00 pm - Crusade Rehearsal

7:00 pm - Ring! Bell Choir Rehearsal

### Thur., October 31

3:00 pm - Men's Quintet

### Fri., November 1

7:00 am - Men's Bible Study

### Sat., November 2

7:00 pm - The Henry Girls (Trio)

### Sun., November 3

#### Daylight Savings (Fall Back)

9:00 am - Youth Sunday School

10:00 am - Worship