



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
OF FARMINGTON

*Church of the Open Hands*

WELCOMING ALL; SHARING CHRIST; SERVING OTHERS

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*In preparing our hearts for worship, we will be dimming the lights in the narthex, indicating a time to prepare ourselves for worship. Please enter the sanctuary quietly and in time to hear the welcome and announcements.*

# August 3, 2025

## Eighth Sunday of Pentecost and Communion



Prayer of Preparation

Teach us your way, O Lord, that we may walk in your truth;  
Give us an undivided heart to revere your name.  
Psalm 86.11

## We Enter into God's Presence

*\*Please stand in body or spirit*

Prelude

Amazing Grace

arr. Bret Edstrom

Welcome / Greetings

Pastor Bruce Mulder

*Signing of the Friendship Pad & Prayer Cards*

\*Call to Worship based on from based on Psalm 100

Liturgist

Shout for joy to the LORD, all the earth.

**Worship the LORD with gladness; come before God with joyful songs.**

Know that the LORD is God. It is God who made us and we are his;

**We are God's people, the sheep of his pasture.**

Enter God's gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise; give thanks to the Lord and praise his name.

**For the LORD is good and his love endures forever; God's faithfulness continues through all generations.**

\*Opening Hymn #531

Seed Scattered and Sown

1. Is not the bread we break a sharing in our Lord?  
Is not the cup we bless the blood of Christ out poured?
2. The seed which falls on rock will wither and will die.  
The seed within good ground will flower and have life
3. As wheat upon the hills was gathered and was grown,  
So may the church of God be gathered into one.

*Refrain:*

**Seed, scattered and sown; wheat, gathered and grown;  
Bread, broken and shared as one, the living bread of God.  
Vine, fruit of the land; wine, work of our hands;  
One cup that is shared by all, the living cup, the living bread of God**

Prayer of Confession from Psalm 130

Out of the depths I cry to you, O LORD.

**Lord, hear my voice!**

Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my supplications!

**If you, O LORD, should mark iniquities, Lord, who could stand?**

But there is forgiveness with you, so that you may be revered.

**I wait for the LORD, my soul waits, and in his word I hope; my soul waits for the Lord more than those who watch for the morning, more than those who watch for the morning.**

O Israel, hope in the LORD! For with the LORD there is steadfast love, and with him is great power to redeem. It is he who will redeem Israel from all its iniquities.

Words of Assurance – Ezekiel 36:25-26

I will sprinkle clean water upon you, and you shall be clean from all your uncleannesses, and from all your idols I will cleanse you. A new heart I will give you, and a new spirit I will put within you; and I will remove from your body the heart of stone and give you a heart of flesh.

People of God—In Jesus Christ our sin is forgiven.

**Give thanks to the Lord, for God is good. God’s steadfast love endures forever.  
Amen.**

## **We Hear God’s Word**

Reading

Colossians 3.1-11

Liturgist

### Colossians 3.1-11

So if you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on the things that are above, not on the things that are on earth, for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory.

Put to death, therefore, whatever in you is earthly: sexual immorality, impurity, passion, evil desire, and greed (which is idolatry). On account of these the wrath of God is coming on those who are disobedient. These are the ways you also once followed, when you were living that life. But now you must get rid of all such things: anger, wrath, malice, slander, and abusive language from your mouth. Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have stripped off the old self with its practices and have clothed yourselves with the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge according to the image of its creator. In that renewal there is no longer Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, enslaved and free, but Christ is all and in all!

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

Anthem

Bach Minuet in G  
Charlene Diehl - Flute

Sermon

“All Y’all”

Offertory & Collection of Prayer Cards

Doxology #606

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

Song of Invitation #701

*Sanctuary*

**Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary, pure and holy, tried and true.  
With thanksgiving, I'll be a living sanctuary for you.  
Celebrating the Lord's Supper**

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The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

Eternal God, holy and mighty, it is truly right and our greatest joy  
to give you thanks ... the glory of your name:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.**

Great is the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.**

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## The Words of Institution

The Lord Jesus, the same night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to them, saying, "*Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you: do this in remembrance of me.*"

In the same way, after they had eaten, Jesus poured a cup saying, "*This cup is the New Testament in my blood: do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.*"

## Sharing of the Gifts of Bread & Cup

*Please come forward to receive the bread and cup when you are ready or raise your hand and you will be served where you are seated.*

## Communion Prayer—from Psalm 103

Bless the Lord, O my soul;

**and all that is within me, bless God's holy name!**

Bless the Lord, O my soul,

**and forget not all God's benefits,**

who forgives all your iniquity,

**who heals all your diseases,**

who redeems your life from the Pit,

**who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy.**

Bless the Lord, O my soul;

**and all that is within me, bless God's holy name! Amen.**

# **We Respond to God's Word**

Prayer of the People

Liturgist

Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we, your unworthy servants, give you humble thanks for all your goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all whom you have made. We bless you for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life, but above all for your immeasurable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ, for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. And we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives, by giving up ourselves to your service, and by walking before you in holiness and righteousness all our days, through Jesus Christ, our Lord who teaches us to pray:

**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.

## We Follow God's Word into the World

\*Hymn of Sending # 614

Great Are You Lord

**Great are you, Lord: you are holy and just; by your power we trust in your love.**

**Great are you, Lord: you are faithful and true; by your mercy you prove you are love.**

**Great are you, Lord, and worthy of glory! Great are you, Lord, and worthy of praise.**

**Great are you, Lord. We lift up our voice; we lift up our voice: great are you, Lord!**

**Great are you, Lord!**

Benediction

Pastor Bruce Mulder

Postlude

Postlude on "Beach Spring"

arr. Marianne Kim



**Today's flowers are presented by Bob and Marcia Van Hamme in memory of their beloved daughter Leslie Rose.**

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### **KIDS' WORSHIP BAGS**

The kids' worship bags are available at the welcome desk (on the wooden tree hanger). The activities in the bags are updated each week to reflect the lectionary readings for that Sunday as well as some other fun items. The yellow bags are for kids aged preschool to 8 years old; and the white bags are for kids aged 8+ years. Kids are welcome to take a bag each Sunday to use during worship and/or to take home to enjoy. If your child forgot to pick up a worship bag before service, please let an usher know and they will get one for your child.

### **CARES Food Pantry**

The number of people needing assistance in providing enough food for their family continues to grow. Between 750 and 800 households are served by CARES each month. Please take home a yellow CARES shopping list, found in the pews, and take it with you on your next shopping trip. We have provided a plastic bin in the Narthex for your generous donations. Thank you for remembering your neighbors.

### **Garden and Nutrition – every Saturday, 9:30 am – 11:30 am**

Once again, this year, FPCF is sponsoring DCDI's Garden and Nutrition Class, every Saturday, from 9:30 am – 11:30 am. Sometimes we'll be in the classroom (Room 208/210) and always in

the garden. We'll learn vermicomposting, making a gingerbug, and more! Bring your kids or grandkids! If you have any questions, please contact Tom Neal, Sharon Cressman, or Colleen Tavor.

**Hospitality Time Schedule**

You are invited to bring ONE food item on ONE Sunday each month. Your Sunday depends on the first letter of your last name. It would be greatly appreciated if you are also able to help with set-up or clean-up. Please note healthy options are welcome as well such as fruit, eggs, cheese & crackers, veggies etc. Here's the upcoming schedule:

- August 3: Last names beginning S-Z
- August 10: Last names beginning A-D
- August 17: Last names beginning E-K
- August 24: Last names beginning L-R



**QR Code for Donations!**

If you ever forget to go to the ATM, or simply don't carry cash on you, we've decided to include the church QR code for a more streamlined donation process. To donate, just scan the QR code and follow the prompt just scan the QR code and follow

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Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

Session met on Sunday July 20, after our Town Hall Meeting. During the Town Hall Meeting we asked for and received your input about the purchase of a new organ console. As you may recall, it would be a \$72,000 expenditure.

To that end, Session passed a motion to conduct an **anonymous** survey asking you (all) if you would be willing to contribute to a Special Fund over the next two years to offset the cost of the organ console. We'd appreciate hearing from you over the next few weeks.

Please indicate your answer (without your name) on the attached page and drop in the offering plate or mail it to the church office.

Grace and peace in Christ,

Your Session

### **Survey regarding purchase of new organ console**

**Yes**, I'll help. I would pledge a total of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ over the next two years.

**No**, I'm sorry; I'm unable.

COMMENTS

