

First Presbyterian Church of Willmar, MN

November 23, 2025



Welcome to worship this morning at First Presbyterian Church! This is the place where we bring our whole selves to God and worship the one who created us and loves us. It is also the place where we grow in community with each other, discovering a family of faith where we love and support each other, accepting one another as we are and learning to follow Jesus more closely in our lives. We are all better because you are here, part of this community.

You are welcome just as you are!

We will be passing the offering plate today during worship. This is about much more than collecting an offering; it is a spiritual discipline that helps us form connections. As the plate is passed to you, we invite you to take a moment to silently dedicate your gifts to God, whether you place something in the plate or give electronically. Or use the opportunity to share your prayer requests or contact information using one of the cards available.

GATHERING

Prelude

Welcome & Announcement

*Gathering Words (from Psalm 33:1-5)

Your praise rises from all corners of creation, **and we gladly join the chorus.**

You call all life into being. **The earth, the sea, the sky are yours.**

You summon all creation into your loving embrace.

With grateful hearts made new by your Son, Jesus, we come.

*Song of Adoration #37(GG) "Let All Things Now Living" Katherine K. Davis, ASH GROVE

RENEWAL

Confession & Forgiveness

Song of Gratitude #250(GG) "In the Bulb There Is a Flower" Natalie Sleeth © 1986 Hope Publishing Company

PROCLAMATION

A Good Word

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading Jeremiah 23:5-6; Luke 23:33-43

Holy Wisdom, Holy Word.

Thanks be to God!

Sermon "What Kind of King?" Kathy Terpstra

RESPONSE

Invitation to Offering

Musical Offering "Creating Word" ©2025 The Hymn Society (Hope Publishing)

Prayer of Dedication

Prayers of the People and The 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.

SENDING

***Sending Song #26(GG)** "Earth and All Stars" ©1968 Augsburg Publishing House

***Charge & Benediction** "The Blessing" Elevation Worship ©2020 Capitol CMG Publishing, Essential Music Publishing LLC

**The Lord bless you and keep you, make his face shine upon you and be gracious to you.
The Lord turn his face toward you and give you peace.**

Amen, amen, amen. Amen, amen, amen.

**The Lord bless you and keep you, make his face shine upon you and be gracious to you.
The Lord turn his face toward you and give you peace.**

***Sharing the Peace of Christ**

The Peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you.**

Postlude