

WELCOME TO THE FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF FARMINGTON

July 28, 2024

Prelude

Ring the Chimes

Welcome and Announcements

Passing the Peace of Christ

\*Call to Worship

As we sit within this community of faith, so we are fed.

**Praise and prayer feed our minds and spirits.**

We are wonderfully fed.

**The teachings of Jesus bring us to the faithful way.**

We are graciously fed.

**The cross of Jesus calls us to the selfless, practical way.**

We are gloriously fed.

**The rising of Jesus from death fills us with a timeless, unbounded hope.**

\*Opening Hymn # 188 "Jesus Loves Me!"

\*Call to Confession:

\*Prayer of Confession

When the sun shines brightly,

**God encourages us to make the most of our days and to fill them with family and friends.**

When thunder rolls across the sky and the rain pours down,

**God reminds us that there are storms in life, but, with faith, the good times will return.**

On days when the sky is black,

**God is there for us; God provides a glimmer of light in the darkness.**

When we see a rainbow in the sky,

**we know that God's eternal hope is there for us; our doubts and lack of confidence come to nothing.**

*Time of reflection...*

\*Assurance of Pardon

O God, you are there for us on our bright and sunny days, and you are there for us when the dark, tempting forces surround us.

**You give us strength to come through the storm unafraid. In the turmoil and stress of new beginnings, you are there for us.**

We give you thanks for the reality of your peace,

**O forgiving God! Amen.**

\*Gloria Patri

Children's Sermon

Scripture Readings John 6:1-21

Sermon "The Miracle of Community"

\* Hymn #353 "My Hope is Built on Nothing Less"

Birthdays

Joys/Concerns/Prayers of the People

Call to Offering

Offertory

\*Doxology

Prayer of Thanksgiving for our Tithes and Offerings

Gifts, abundant and glorious, you shower upon us, O God, yet we often receive them without acknowledging the Gracious Giver. How can we ever thank you? Are there words enough, deeds that are good enough?

**We can make a start by bringing our heartfelt worship to you and by treating our fellow men and women in the way Jesus made clear. With this renewed determination, receive our gifts. Amen.**

\*Closing Hymn #542 "God Be with You Till We Meet Again"

\* Charge and Benediction

There will be storms in life, but you will face them.

**The peace of God will calm us; the courage of God will secure us; the community of the faithful will be with us.**

The love of God will enfold you and never let you go!

\*Postlude