

# First Presbyterian Church of Albert Lea

Ordinary Time

June 7, 2026

## Welcome, Announcements, and Prayer of Adoration

### Call to Worship

**Leader:**

When life is hard and the path ahead is uncertain, where shall we turn?

**People:**

We will look to the Lord, who is faithful in every generation.

**Leader:**

God met Jacob in the wilderness and promised, "I am with you."

**People:**

God is with us still. Let us worship Him.

\* **Opening Hymn # 1** *Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee* (1-4)

### Prayer of Confession

**All:** Lord, we confess that when life is hard, we often trust ourselves more than You. We become fearful, anxious, and impatient. Forgive us for forgetting Your promises. Strengthen our faith and help us walk with You through every trial. Amen.

*Please take a moment to personally confess your sins to God.*

### Assurance of Forgiveness

The God who met Jacob at Bethel meets us through Jesus Christ. His grace is greater than our failures, and His mercy is new every morning. In Christ, your sins are forgiven.

**People:** Thanks be to God. Amen.

## Kids Message

Andrea Riemann

*All kids are invited forward to sit on the chancel steps for the Kids Message. Parents are invited to sit with their children if it makes them feel more comfortable.*

### \* The Peace of Christ

*Because we have been granted peace with God, we extend that same peace to those around us with a warm greeting and welcome.*

### Offertory

*As an act of worship, we invite you to give towards God's Kingdom work here.*

### \* Doxology and Prayer of Thanksgiving

**Scripture Readings**    **Genesis 27:41-28:22**

### Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

#### Sermon

**When Life is Hard**

*Steve Piper*

### Affirmation of Faith

The Apostle's Creed

### Sacrament of Communion

*All who place their hope in Christ are invited forward for communion. Beginning with the back of the room, you can make your way up the center aisle to be served. Gluten-free bread is available at the center table. For those who are unable to come forward, simply raise your hand and a server will serve you in your seat.*

\* **Closing Hymn # 43**    *Great Is Thy Faithfulness* (1-3)

### \* Benediction and Response

*Go Now In Peace*

*\* Please stand if you are able.*

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## THIS WEEK AND NEXT

### MONDAY JUNE 8

9:00 am Men's Bible Study (*Hearthside Room*)

### TUESDAY JUNE 9

10:00 am Women's Craft Group (*Library*)

### WEDNESDAY JUNE 10

9:00 am Prayer Warriors (*Hearthside Room*)

10:00 am Coed Bible Study (*Multipurpose Room*)

7:00 pm Highlife Unplugged (*Youth Rooms*)

### THURSDAY JUNE 11

9:00 am Men's Bible Study (*Main Street Cafe*)

### SUNDAY JUNE 14

9:00 am Faith Cafe (*Multipurpose Room*)

10:00 am Worship Service (*Sanctuary*)

11:00am Coffee Fellowship (*Westminster Hall*)

### MONDAY JUNE 15

9:00 am Men's Bible Study (*Hearthside Room*)

7:00pm Women's Bible Study (*Hearthside Room*) **Last One!**

### TUESDAY JUNE 16

10:00 am Women's Craft Group (*Library*)

### WEDNESDAY JUNE 17

9:00 am Prayer Warriors (*Hearthside Room*)

**No Co-Ed Bible Study**

12:00 pm VBS & Music Camp ( *Westminster Hall*)

7:00 pm Highlife Unplugged (*Youth Rooms*)

### THURSDAY JUNE 18

9:00 am Men's Bible Study (*Main Street Cafe*)

9:00 am Days for Girls (*Multipurpose Room*)

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**Happy Birthday** - George Kessel & Carrie Paulson (6/9), David Vanderploeg & Therese Netzer (6/12) and Doug Christopherson!



**Prayer List** - Please pray for: Keno Knutson, Ted Radke, Brad & Nancy Wright, Rodney Williams, Lyle Paulson, Sandy Maiden, Bryan Cunningham & Family, Robyn Schafer, Dillon Hanson family, Siglinda Kleih and Bill Sievers. **If you have a prayer concern**, fill out a prayer card from your pew-back and put it in the offertory box outside the office.

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**Co-Ed Bible Study** - There will be no Co-Ed Bible Study on **Wednesday, June 17th** as there will be VBS taking place that day.

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**Highlife** - *Highlife Unplugged* (an evening of teen fellowship & worship) has begun! Join in on Wednesday evenings at 7pm! This is a program exclusive to summer; a more direct focus on studying the Word together.

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**VBS & Music Camp** - It's almost time! **Wednesday, June 17th** from 12pm-3pm, will be an afternoon of VBS fun for kids (going into) K- 5th grade; AND at the same time for kids (going into) 6th-12 grade is a "music camp" where the older youth can learn about music and worship! **Lunch will be provided!** Details are being finalized; keep an eye out for more registration info coming really soon!

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**Father's Day** - Sunday, **June 21st**, after the worship service we will celebrate all the dads with a special "Pies with Papa" coffee fellowship, hosted by the PWSC. Don't miss it!

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**June Missions** - Our June mission partner here at First Pres is Fellowship of Christian Athletes (FCA), and they just completed their youth sports camp here in Albert Lea!

Check out their website [minnesotafca.org](http://minnesotafca.org) to learn more about FCA!

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**Summer Mission Trip** - This summer, the youth mission team will be sticking close to home. They will be doing mission work in the Albert Lea area! Though they are staying local, this mission team still needs your support. Stay tuned for stockholder information!

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**Faith & Family Festival** - Head to Fountain Lake Park on **June 20th** for a fun, faith-filled, family-friendly day in Albert Lea! First Pres will be manning an activity booth, so come say hi! Scan the event QR code for more info, or check out the event on facebook.



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