

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

One: Creator God, you have made us who we are. You have given us all that you have to give: your total commitment to our world and our well-being. May we not insult you by offering gifts of money alone, nor by offering a token of allegiance that does not cut beneath the surface of our lives.

Many: Here we offer you our most authentic faith, and our most perplexing questions. Here we submit to your authority, which demands that we take responsibility for ourselves. Here we commit ourselves to the search for truth, which will bring us straight back to you, through the one who is Way and Truth and Life. Amen.

*HYMN OF TRUST

Hymn #220 "Go to Dark Gethsemane"

*CHARGE AND BLESSING

***BENEDICTION RESPONSE** #177 "I Will Come to You"

**Do not be afraid, I am with you.
I have called you each by name.
Come and follow me, I will bring you home;
I Love you and you are mine.**

*POSTLUDE

Presbyterian Women

March 13th (the second Tuesday in March)
Andree Dodson will be our hostess. In lieu
of the lesson, Steve Johnson will talk about
his Life's Mission and many travels. All
women are welcome!



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March 11th 2018

WORDS OF INSPIRATION

When I despair, I remember that all through history the way of truth and love have always won. There have been tyrants and murderers, and for a time, they can seem invincible, but in the end, they always fall. Think of it--always.

-Mahatma Gandhi

PIANO PRELUDE

RINGING OF THE CHURCH BELL

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTROIT

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: All your works shall give thanks to you, O Lord,

Many: and all your faithful shall bless you.

One: They shall speak of the glory of your kingdom

Many: and tell of your power.

One: Our Saviour is under arrest, he stands facing his accusers, and the truth is questioned by those who cling to power.

Many: It is scandalous, and yet this Saviour is the one we worship for in him we find truth and your Kingdom.

One: Let us worship God.

***HYMN OF PRAISE**

Hymn #206 "This Is the Night"

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Living God, Forgive us our fearfulness and hesitation, we pray. Fearful of forcing our beliefs on others, and being thought fanatical, we are reluctant to take a stand on anything; fearful of giving offense, we say nothing about what matters to us most; just plain scared, we do nothing, and wait for others to decide. Forgive us not only our honest mistakes, but also our reluctance to try in case we get it wrong. Forgive us not only the stupid, thoughtless things we sometimes say but also our silence when there are things that need to be said; choices that need to be made; bridges that need to be burned. Fill us with your Spirit, O God, so that we may become more Christ-like, and at the same time more fully ourselves. Help us to stand by him, and to stand up for him when he needs our support, remembering what he said: that anything we do or fail to do for others, we do or fail to do for him. Amen.

***SILENT PRAYER**

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

One: As Lent begins, know that God understands how we struggle to stay open and compassionate.

Many: **The invitation is not to focus on our inadequacies, but on God's gift of grace and love which transforms our hearts and minds. That gift is given to us again, here and now. Be encouraged.**

One: May the peace of God be with you

Many: **and also with you**

***PRAYER RESPONSE**

Hymn #205 "Live in Charity"

Live in charity and steadfast love

Live in charity; God will dwell with you

A TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

SONG OF PREPARATION "Raise Us from Our Slumber, Lord" (insert)

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Psalms 145:10-13

HANDBELL CHOIR

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

John 18:28-40

One: The Word of the Lord.

Many: **Thanks be to God!**

SERMON

Rev. Greg Bolt

***HYMN OF HOPE**

Hymn #269 "Lead On, O King Eternal!"

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

Jesus was what we are. He grew up in a family and a society troubled by the common problems of the world. His knowledge was limited by his time and place in history. He felt deeply the joy of friendship and the hurt of being rejected. Jesus prayed, struggled with temptation, knew anger, and was subject to suffering and death. He was like us in every way except sin. Jesus was what we should be. He served his Father with complete trust and unwavering obedience. He loved all kinds of people and accepted their love. In constant dependence upon the Holy Spirit, Jesus allowed no temptation or threat to keep him from loving God with his whole being and his neighbor as himself. We recognize in Jesus what God created us to be. He exposes our failure to live as he lived. He demonstrates the new humanity God promises to give us through him.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Petitions

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

Response

Hymnal p. 11

WORSHIP THROUGH TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory

***Doxology**

Hymn #606

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Christ, all people here below;
Praise Holy Spirit Evermore;
Praise triune God, whom we adore. Amen.**

The Congregation's Mission

"First Presbyterian Church of Red Wing is a congregation that seeks to grow in the love of Jesus Christ and to share that love with the community and the world."

PARTICIPANTS

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Choir Director
Pianist
Organist
Pastor
Pastor
Liturgist

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The Rev. Heidi Bolt
The Rev. Greg Bolt
David Oakes

GREETER:

Jane Ward

USHER:

John Plehal

FELLOWSHIP:

Missy Phillips & Ernestine Houston

FLOWERS:

Open

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THIS WEEK'S FIRST PRESBYTERIAN HAPPENINGS:

TODAY,	9:15 a.m.	Christian Education
	10:30 a.m.	Worship
	11:30 a.m.	Fellowship
	11:50 a.m.	Worship & Sacraments
	6:00 p.m.	Confirmation
MON, 3/12,	10:00 a.m.	Coffee at Mandy's Café
	6:30 p.m.	RW Singers
	7:00 p.m.	Horticultre
TUES, 3/13,	8:00 a.m.	Finance & Stewardship
	9:30 a.m.	Presbyterian Women
	6:55 p.m.	JuBELLation Ringers
WED, 3/14,	6:30 a.m.	Men's Book Study
	10:30 a.m.	Service for Richard Bennett
	5:30 p.m.	Lenten Service – United Methodist
	6:30 p.m.	Session
THURS, 3/15,	7:00 p.m.	Lenten Bible Study -FPCRW
	7:30 a.m.	Women's Book Study

Opera Study Group will meet at 9:00 a.m.

Tues., March 20, 2018

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Our presenter will be Jonathan Brandani. Jonathan is an emerging Italian born conductor appreciated for his "fine regard for the score's details ... his clear, purposeful indications" and "his enthusiasm" (Seen and Heard International). Jonathan began his position as assistant conductor of the Minnesota Opera in 2017.

**The MN Opera will present "Rigoletto"
on March 17, 22, 24, 25, 27, 29 & 31**

Verdi's sinister tragedy. This time-honored tale of seduction and bitter revenge is boldly imagined in this new production. The disfigured jester Rigoletto must do everything in his power to protect his innocent daughter from the lecherous Duke of Mantua before she falls into his clutches. Brimming with rich melodies and featuring the famous aria "La donna è mobile," Rigoletto tragically unfolds as it races toward its devastating conclusion.

Come for coffee, refreshments & conversation at 8:45 a.m. *Invite a friend.*
Questions: call JoAnne McNamara at 651-388-7749.



**Westminster
Town Hall Forum**

SUZY HANSEN




An American Abroad in a Post-American World
First Presbyterian Church Red Wing
March 22, 2018 at 12:00PM

St. Patrick's Day Brunch



Hosted by Christian Education
at First Presbyterian Church Red Wing
on March 18th after worship 11:30 am

Fundraiser for Youth Urban Immersion Trip



Maundy
Thursday

7:00 p.m. March 29th, 2018
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Raise Us From Our Slumber, Lord

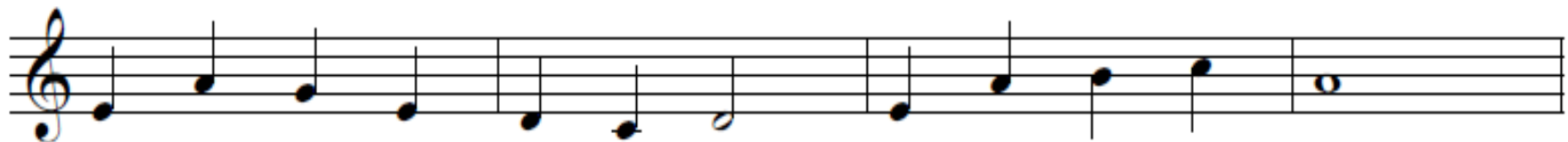
J. L. Salt(er)



Raise us from our slum - ber, Lord. Show us how to love



'Til your king - dom comes to earth, down from heav'n a - bove.



"Je - sus, will you make it clear? Are you now a king?"



"But my king-dom is not here!" Wash us with your love, O Lord.

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