



Fruitful Stewards

August 30:
God Provides Enough
for Every Good Work

Welcome to worship this morning!

Bulletin Cues:

Bold indicates congregational response, * indicates please stand, if able
An offering plate is placed near the door to the church to receive your offerings.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

Sonata in A Minor, Op. 22, No. 6, Mvts I, II

CALL TO WORSHIP

God is able to provide us with every blessing in abundance.

We will have enough for every good work.

God supplies seed to the sower and bread for food.

God will increase the harvest of righteousness.

Our generosity produces thanksgiving to God.

We give thanks for God's indescribable gift.

Come, let us worship our abundantly generous God.

With joyful and generous hearts, let us worship the Lord.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Abundant God, you have blessed us with grace beyond measure through Jesus Christ. You provide what we need and invite us to participate in your work. Fill us with joy, contentment, courage, and generosity. Make our congregation fruitful in worship, service, mission, compassion, and love. May every blessing we receive flow through us for the good of others and for your glory. **Amen.**

OPENING HYMN GTG 35

Praise Ye, the Lord, the Almighty

1 Praise ye the Lord, the Al-might-y, the King of cre-
2 Praise ye the Lord, who o'er all things so won-drous-ly
3 Praise ye the Lord! O let all that is in me a-
a-tion! O my soul, praise him, for he is thy
reign-eth, shel-ters thee un-der his wings, yea, so
dore him! All that hath life and breath, come now with

health and sal - va - tion! All ye who hear, now to his
 gen - tly sus - tain - eth! Hast thou not seen how thy de -
 prais - es be - fore him! Let the a - men sound from his

tem - ple draw near; join me in glad ad - o - ra - tion!
 sires e'er have been grant - ed in what he or - dain - eth?
 peo - ple a - gain; glad - ly for aye we a - dore him.

CONFESSION AND PARDON

Abundant God, you have given generously to us, but we have sometimes responded with fear and closed hands.

We have worried that there will not be enough.

We have withheld gifts, time, compassion, and service.

We have received blessings without considering how they might be shared.

**We have sometimes measured blessing
 only by personal wealth, comfort, or success.**

**We have forgotten that your greatest blessing
 is the grace given to us in Jesus Christ.**

Hear the good news: God has given us the indescribable gift of Jesus Christ.

Friends, believe the good news of the gospel:

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God! Amen.

LISTENING FOR GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Abundant God, plant your Word deeply within us. Produce a harvest of generosity, righteousness, thanksgiving, and service. Show us how your blessings may flow through our lives and through our congregation into the world. **Amen.**

SPECIAL MUSIC

Sonata in A minor, Op. 22, No. 6, Mvts III, V

SCRIPTURE READING

2 Corinthians 9:6–15

The point is this: the one who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and the one who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Each of you must give as you have made up your mind, not regretfully or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that by always having enough of everything, you may share abundantly in every good work. As it is written,

*“He scatters abroad; he gives to the poor;
his righteousness endures forever.”*

He who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will supply and multiply your seed for sowing and increase the harvest of your righteousness. You will be enriched in every way for your great generosity, which will produce thanksgiving to God through us, for the rendering of this ministry not only supplies the needs of the saints but also overflows with many thanksgivings to God. Through the testing of this ministry you glorify God by your obedience to the confession of the gospel of Christ and by the generosity of your partnership with them and with all others, while they long for you and pray for you because of the surpassing grace of God that he has given you. Thanks be to God for his indescribable gift!

Keep these words in your heart. The Lord is our God, the Lord alone. **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

“God Provides Enough for Every Good Work”

Pastor Paul

RESPONDING TO GOD'S GRACE

*HYMN OF THE DAY GTG 37

Let All Things Now Living



1 Let all things now liv - ing a song of thanks-giv - ing
2 By law God en - forc - es, the stars in their cours - es,



to God our Cre - a - tor tri - um - phant - ly raise;
the sun in its or - bit o - be - dient - ly shine;



who fash-ioned and made us, pro - tect - ed and stayed us,
the hills and the moun-tains, the riv - ers and foun-tains,



by guid - ing us on to the end of our days.
the depths of the o - cean pro - claim God di - vine.

Harmony



God's ban-ners are o'er us; pure light goes be - fore us,
We too should be voic - ing our love and re - joic - ing;



a pil - lar of fire shin - ing forth in the night:
with glad ad - o - ra - tion, a song let us raise,



till shad - ows have van - ished, all fear - ful - ness ban - ished,
till all things now liv - ing u - nite in thanks - giv - ing:



as for - ward we trav - el from light in - to light.
to God in the high - est, ho - san - na and praise!

INVITATION TO CONGREGATIONAL JOYS AND CONCERNS

The God who provides for every good work welcomes our celebrations and our needs. Let us share our joys and concerns as one body in Christ. (each sharing)

Joys and Concerns are Shared... after each petition: Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.**

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

God blesses us not so that every blessing will stop with us, but so that grace, mercy, love, and generosity may flow through us. Let us give joyfully, trusting that God is able to provide enough for every good work.

DOXOLOGY GTG 710

We Are an Offering

**We lift our voices; we lift our hands;
we lift our lives up to you: we are an offering.**

**Lord, use our voices; Lord, use our hands;
Lord, use our lives; they are yours: we are an offering.**

**All that we have, all that we are,
all that we hope to be, we give to you, we give to you.**

**We lift our voices; we lift our hands;
we lift our lives up to you: we are an offering;**

We are an offering.

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Abundant God, receive these gifts and multiply their impact. Use them to feed the hungry, comfort the suffering, nurture faith, welcome neighbors, strengthen your church, and proclaim the good news of Jesus Christ. Make us generous in every way so that many may give thanks and glory to you. **Amen.**

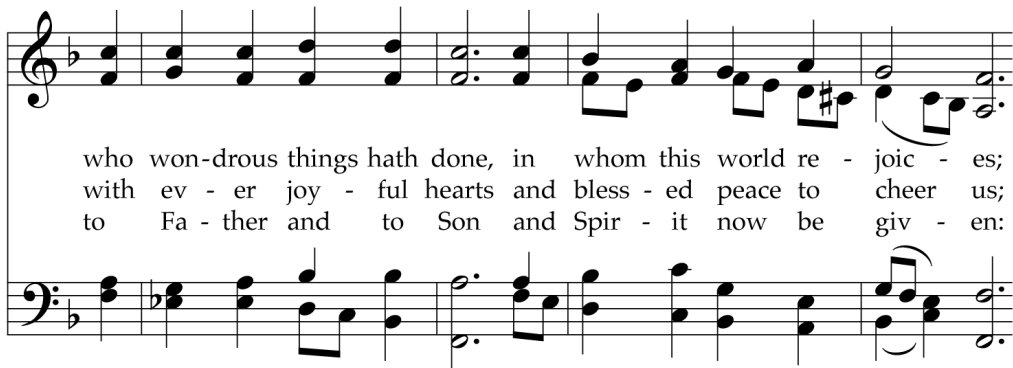
SENDING INTO THE WORLD TO LOVE AND SERVE

*CLOSING HYMN GTG 643

Now Thank We All Our God



1 Now thank we all our God with heart and hands and voice,
 2 O may this bounteous God through all our life be near us,
 3 All praise and thanks to God, who reigns in highest heaven,



who wondrous things hath done, in whom this world rejoices;
 with ever joyful hearts and blessed peace to cheer us;
 to Father and to Son and Spirit now be given:



who, from our mothers' arms, hath blessed us on our way
 and keep us in God's grace, and guide us when perplexed,
 the one eternal God, whom heaven and earth adore,



with countless gifts of love, and still is ours to-day.
 and free us from all ills in this world and the next.
 the God who was, and is, and shall be evermore.

*BENEDICTION

Go now as fruitful stewards of God's abundant grace.

May God provide what you need,

Christ fill you with generous love,

and the Holy Spirit equip you for every good work.

Receive gratefully.

Manage wisely.

Give generously.

Serve faithfully.

And may the blessings of God flow through you

to the church, the community, and the world. **Amen.**

POSTLUDE



Sunday, September 13th, we will worship outdoors (weather permitting). Each September, Brass, Etc! joins us for this wonderful kick off to the program year! Bring your chair (or use one of CPCs), your sunglasses, and/or an umbrella to keep the sun off of you!

"God Provides Enough for Every Good Work"

God's blessings are not intended to end with us. God provides for us so that we may participate generously in ministry, mission, mercy, and every good work. We conclude our August series by imagining how our congregations can become even greater blessings to our communities and future generations.

Scripture: 2 Corinthians 9:6–15



YOU ARE JOYFULLY INVITED TO THE

PASTORAL *Installation*

OF

REV. PORNCCHAI (PAUL)
BANCHASAWAN

SHARED PASTOR OF
COMMUNITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCHES
ROCHESTER & PLAINVIEW, MN

*"I have called you by name;
you are mine."*

— ISAIAH 43:1 —



SUNDAY
SEPTEMBER 6, 2026
4:00 PM



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
512 3rd St. SW
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INSTALLATION WORSHIP
FOLLOWED BY A RECEPTION

Join us as we celebrate
God's faithfulness and
welcome Pastor Pornchai
as he begins this new
chapter of ministry
among us.



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TO THE GLORY OF GOD ALONE | SOLI DEO GLORIA

Community Presbyterian Church

open hearted, open minded



Sunday, August 30

11:00 am Worship - Onsite and Online

Tuesday, September 1

9:00 am Bulletin Items Due

for Sundays 9/6, 9/13, and 9/20

7:00 pm Great Room Use: Mission Aid Net.

Wednesday, September 2

8:00 am Prayer Group

Sunday, September 6

11:00 am Worship - Onsite and Online

4:00 pm Installation Worship

with Reception following

Location: First Presbyterian

Stephanie out of the office 9/4-9/19.

***If you are the last to leave the church,
please make sure
the lights are off
and doors are closed and locked!
Thanks so much!***



Judy Leal

Jane and Ed Burgstaler and family

Sherrie Wilson

Jennifer Taylor

Kristy Giere

Sue Chipman

**To be added to the prayer list, please
contact the office: 507-280-9291 or via
email: office@cpcrochester.org.**

In Worship Today

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& Bruce Felger

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