

Community Presbyterian Church

open hearted, open minded



Sunday, August 9, 2026
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

CALL TO WORSHIP

Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth.

We will seek the treasures of God's kingdom.

Where our treasure is, there our hearts will be also.

Lord, turn our hearts toward you.

We cannot serve both God and wealth.

We choose to worship and serve the living God.

Come, let us offer our hearts to the Lord.

Let us worship God with undivided hearts.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Faithful God, you alone are worthy of our deepest trust and devotion. The treasures of this world are temporary, but your love endures forever. As we worship, examine our hearts.

Free us from fear, greed, anxiety, and misplaced trust. Teach us to seek first your kingdom and to use our resources in ways that reflect your love. Through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

OPENING HYMN GTG 20

All Things Bright and Beautiful

Refrain

Two staves of music in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is on the treble staff, and the bass line is on the bass staff. The lyrics are: All things bright and beau-ti - ful, all crea-tures great and small,

Two staves of music in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is on the treble staff, and the bass line is on the bass staff. The lyrics are: all things wise and won - der - ful, the Lord God made them all. The word 'Fine' is written above the final note of the treble staff.

1 Each lit - tle flower that o - pens, each lit - tle bird that sings,
 2 The pur - ple-head-ed moun-tain, the riv - er run - ning by,
 3 The cold wind in the win - ter, the pleas-ant sum-mer sun,
 4 God gave us eyes to see them, and lips that we might tell

God made their glow-ing col - ors; God made their ti - ny wings.
 the sun - set, and the morn - ing that bright-ens up the sky:
 the ripe fruits in the gar - den, God made them ev - ery one.
 how great is God Al - might - y, who has made all things well.

to Refrain

CONFESSION AND PARDON

Merciful God, you have called us to love you with all our heart, soul, mind, and strength, yet our hearts are often divided.

**We confess that we have sometimes placed our security
 in money, possessions, buildings, accomplishments, or financial accounts.
 We have compared ourselves with others, desired more than we need,
 and allowed financial worry to control us.
 We have stored treasures for ourselves
 while overlooking opportunities to love our neighbors
 and participate in your work.**

Hear the promise of the gospel: Jesus Christ came into the world not to condemn us, but to save us and set us free.

Friends, believe in the good news:

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

LISTENING FOR GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Lord Jesus, as we hear your Word, reveal the true condition of our hearts. Free us from the power of possessions and teach us to seek the treasures of your kingdom: love, justice, mercy, faithfulness, and peace. **Amen.**

RESPONSIVE READING Psalm 51:1-17

Have mercy on me, O God,
according to your steadfast love;

**according to your abundant mercy,
blot out my transgressions.**

Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity,
and cleanse me from my sin.

**For I know my transgressions,
and my sin is ever before me.**

Against you, you alone, have I sinned
and done what is evil in your sight,
so that you are justified in your sentence
and blameless when you pass judgment.

**Indeed, I was born guilty,
a sinner when my mother conceived me.**

You desire truth in the inward being;
therefore teach me wisdom in my secret heart.

**Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean;
wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.**

Let me hear joy and gladness;
let the bones that you have crushed rejoice.

**Hide your face from my sins,
and blot out all my iniquities.**

Create in me a clean heart, O God,
and put a new and right spirit within me.

**Do not cast me away from your presence,
and do not take your holy spirit from me.**

Restore to me the joy of your salvation,
and sustain in me a willing spirit.

**Then I will teach transgressors your ways,
and sinners will return to you.**

Deliver me from bloodshed, O God, O God of my salvation,
and my tongue will sing aloud of your deliverance.

**O Lord, open my lips,
and my mouth will declare your praise.**

For you have no delight in sacrifice;
if I were to give a burnt offering, you would not be pleased.

**The sacrifice acceptable to God is a broken spirit;
a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise.**

SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 6:19–24

“Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust consume and where thieves break in and steal, but store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust consumes and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

“The eye is the lamp of the body. So if your eye is healthy, your whole body will be full of light, but if your eye is unhealthy, your whole body will be full of darkness. If, then, the light in you is darkness, how great is the darkness!

“No one can serve two masters, for a slave will either hate the one and love the other or be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth.

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

SERMON

Where Your Treasure Is

Pastor Paul

RESPONDING TO GOD’S GRACE

*HYMN OF THE DAY GTG 36

For the Fruit of All Creation

1 For the fruit of all cre - a - tion, thanks be to God.
 2 In the just re - ward of la - bor, God's will be done.
 3 For the har - vests of the Spir - it, thanks be to God.

For the gifts to ev - ery na - tion, thanks be to God.
 In the help we give our neigh - bor, God's will be done.
 For the good we all in - her - it, thanks be to God.

For the plow - ing, sow - ing, reap - ing, si - lent growth while we are
 In our world - wide task of car - ing for the hun - gry and de -
 For the won - ders that as - tound us, for the truths that still con -

sleep - ing, fu - ture needs in earth's safe - keep - ing, thanks be to God.
 spair - ing, in the har - vests we are shar - ing, God's will be done.
 found us, most of all that love has found us, thanks be to God.

JOYS AND CONCERNS

Our treasures and worries are known to God. Let us bring before the Lord the joys that fill our hearts and the concerns that weigh upon us. (each sharing)

Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

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

Jesus reminds us that where our treasure is, there our hearts will be also. Through our giving, we direct our hearts toward God's kingdom and participate in Christ's work of love, mercy, and hope. Let us give freely and faithfully.

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

Lord of our hearts, receive these gifts as signs of our trust and devotion. Free us from serving wealth and teach us to serve you alone. Use these offerings to proclaim the gospel, strengthen your church, relieve suffering, and share Christ's love with our community.
Amen.

SENDING INTO THE WORLD TO LOVE AND SERVE

*CLOSING HYMN GTG 683

Lord of All Hopefulness



1 Lord of all hope-ful-ness, Lord of all joy, whose
2 Lord of all ea-ger-ness, Lord of all faith, whose
3 Lord of all kind-li-ness, Lord of all grace, your
4 Lord of all gen-tle-ness, Lord of all calm, whose



trust, ev-er child-like, no cares could de-stroy: be
strong hands were skilled at the plane and the lathe: be
hands swift to wel-come, your arms to em-brace: be
voice is con-tent-ment, whose pres-ence is balm: be



there at our wak-ing and give us, we pray, your
there at our la-bors and give us, we pray, your
there at our hom-ing and give us, we pray, your
there at our sleep-ing and give us, we pray, your



bliss in our hearts, Lord, at the break of the day.
strength in our hearts, Lord, at the noon of the day.
love in our hearts, Lord, at the eve of the day.
peace in our hearts, Lord, at the end of the day.

*BENEDICTION

Go into the world with your hearts centered upon God.

May Christ free you from fear, guard you from greed, guide your decisions,
and lead you toward the treasures of God's kingdom.

Where your treasure is, may your heart also be with God and with God's beloved people.

Amen.

POSTLUDE



“Where Your Treasure Is”

Jesus teaches that where our treasure is, there our heart will be also. This Sunday, we will consider how our financial choices reveal what we value, trust, and worship. Christ invites us to freedom from anxiety and from allowing money to become our master.

Scripture: Matthew 6:19–24

Joint Worship with CPC-Plainview

Sunday, August 16, CPC-Rochester will travel to CPC- Plainview for a Joint Worship Service. The service will begin at 9:30 am. To carpool to Plainview, please gather at CPC at 8:30 am. We will plan to leave CPC-Rochester by 8:45 to get to CPC-Plainview in plenty of time!

There is a potluck brunch afterwards, all you can eat corn begins at 11:00 am, and a parade goes past the church beginning at 1:30 pm.



Sign up to drive or to ride in the narthex!

***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!***

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Sunday, August 9

11:00 am Worship - Onsite and Online

Monday-Friday

8:00 am Great Room Use: Med City Driving

Tuesday, August 11

9:00 am Bulletin Items Due

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

Wednesday, August 12

8:00 am Prayer Group

Friday, August 14

6:30 pm Library, Great Room Use:
SE MN ASD Social Group

Saturday, August 15

3:00 pm Great Room Use: Rental

Sunday, August 16

8:30 am Gather to Carpool to Plainview

**9:30 am Joint Worship Service
in Plainview and Online
Potluck Brunch, Corn Feed,
and Parade following worship**



Judy Leal

Jane and Ed Burgstaler and family

Sherrie Wilson

Jennifer Taylor

Kristy Giere

Sue Chipman

Dolly Gillen

Cal Ward and family

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

In Worship Today

Pastor	Rev. Paul Banchasawan
Liturgist	Dave Copeland
Guest Pianist	Peggy Pillers
IT Support	Louis Bouchard & Bruce Felger

Church Staff

Pastor	Rev. Paul Banchasawan
Music Director	Jennifer Taylor
Pianist	Tianyao Xie
Custodian	Nancy Sanford
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