

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH OF ROCHESTER
 ROCHESTER, WISCONSIN
November 3, 2024
Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

PRELUDE	MEDITATION	CHURCH BELL
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WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS: Ruth Frost, Moderator

INTROIT: **Choir**

*OPENING HYMN: # 259 “For the Beauty of the Earth”

*THE CALL TO WORSHIP: Psalm 100 page 681 (unison)

*THE GLORIA PATRI: #558

*THE PRAYER OF INVOCATION: (unison)

O Almighty God, who by thy Holy Spirit has made us one with thy Saints in Heaven and on Earth: Grant that in our earthly pilgrimage we may ever be supported by this fellowship of love and prayer and may know ourselves to be surrounded by their witness to thy power and mercy.

We ask this for the sake of Jesus Christ, in whom all our intercessions are acceptable through the Spirit, and who lives and reigns for ever and ever.
 Amen.

The Book of Common Prayer

HYMN OF PREPARATION: # 506 “I Sing a Song of the Saints of God”

SCRIPTURE LESSON: James 1: 22-25. James 2: 14-19

SERMON: “(Be) Doers of the Word” Ruth Frost

SPECIAL MUSIC: **Choir**

SHARING OUR LIVES TOGETHER:

Thanksgivings
 Concerns of the Community

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE:

Silent Prayer
 Prayers of Adoration,
 Confession
 Thanksgiving
 Supplication
 The Lord’s Prayer (debts/debtors)

SHARING OUR GIFTS:

Call to Giving (Offering trays will not be passed)
 *Doxology

*CLOSING HYMN: “Bringing in the Sheaves” (Handout)

*PASTORAL BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE:

***Denotes all that are able should stand.**

LOOKING AHEAD AT OUR NOVEMBER CALENDAR:

**Sunday, November 3rd – Worship Hour at 10:00 am.
Ruth Frost will be in the pulpit. The Choir will be singing.
There will be a Fall Business Meeting and a Coffee Hour
following the service. All are welcome to attend.**

**Sunday, November 10th - Worship Hour at 10:00 am.
Special Music by the KR Band and Rose Seeger.
Children's Sunday School.**

**Sunday, November 17th – Worship Hour at 10:00 am.
Our Guest Speaker will be Rev. Dr. Barry W. Szymanski.
The Choir will be singing.**

Monday, November 18th – 6:30 pm Church Council Meeting.

**Sunday, November 24th – Worship Hour at 10:00 am.
Mark Dahms will be in the pulpit. Special Music by Jubilee.
Children's Sunday School.
Following the church service we will have our Annual
Thanksgiving Potluck Dinner. Join us for some good food and
fellowship. Please bring a dish to pass.**

Prayer Concerns:

Lori Haley, hospice	Cindy Ovokaitys
Aubrey Koepfer, cancer	Oscar, Brain tumor
Daniel Hays	Rev. Stu Merkel
Torin, autism	The lost and wandering souls
Elizabeth Joseph	Peace and Good Will on Earth
Morgan Haley	Those dealing with loss and grief
Viveca Persson, Agneta's sister	God's Providence for Israel and
Rigmor Alexander, Agneta's sister	the Middle East
Tom Eckert, lung cancer	
Joshua Myer, cancer	
Morton Zimmerman	
Agneta Ray and family for peace and comfort.	

