

April 30, 2023  
7<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter

Service of Worship  
Lakeshore Sunday

First Presbyterian Church  
Cedar Falls

<b>Welcome</b>		Pastor Julie
<b>Prelude</b>		Seth Butler
<b>Call to Worship</b>		Nancy Hoppe
One: We come together and remember:		
<b>ALL: through all things, the love of God holds us.</b>		
One: We come together and proclaim:		
<b>ALL: we are holy and beloved.</b>		
One: We come together and seek:		
<b>ALL: make us rich in love that is tender and just, O God.</b>		
One: Let us give thanks, for God will not lead us astray.		
<b>Gathering Hymn</b>	“Kum Ba Yah”	Praise Team
<b>Invitation to Confession</b>		Nancy Hoppe
<b>Confession</b>		
Loving God, through your Spirit you seek to unite us together as one body with Christ as the head.		
We are invited into a beloved community where love and grace should be the norm.		
On our best days we strive to share and listen and respond with compassion.		
On other days, we let sin, selfishness, and pride dictate our actions.		
Forgive us for the times we fail to live into your vision for us as your holy people.		
Have mercy on us and restore us to the joy of your salvation.		
<b>Assurance of Grace</b>		Nancy Hoppe
<b>Our Response to Grace #582</b>	“Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me”	<i>all verses</i>
<b>Prayer for Illumination</b>		
<b>Scripture Reading</b>	Colossians 3:12-17	Rev. Sara Sutter
<b>Time for Wonder</b>		Rev. Sara Sutter
<b>Sermon</b>	“Linked by Love”	Rev. Sara Sutter
<b>Hymn #308</b>	“O God in Whom All Life Begins”	<i>all verses</i>
<b>Joys and Concerns</b>		Pastor Julie
<b>Prayers of the People</b>		Pastor Julie
<i>Specific prayer concerns are listed in the weekly newsletter</i>		
<b>The Lord’s Prayer</b>		
Our Creator in heaven, holy is your name, your kin-dom 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 kin-dom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.		
<b>Choir Anthem</b>	“The Gift of Love”	

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**Offering Invitation & Dedication**

*Gifts may be given online at [firstprescf.org](http://firstprescf.org)*

Nancy Hoppe

**Doxology #606**

**Our Life Together**

Pastor Julie

**Sending Hymn #745**

“Now Go in Joy”

*2 times*

**Blessing and Charge**

Rev. Sara Sutter

**Postlude**

Seth Butler

*Go in peace and boldness to love and serve the Risen Christ!*

**Service Participants:**

Organist: Seth Butler

Liturgist: Nancy Hoppe

Guest Preacher: Rev. Sara Sutter, Director of Lakeshore Center at Lake Okoboji

Pastor: Rev. Julie Erkel Hagee

Computer Operator: Steve Moon

Video Operator: Neal Leeper