

Developing character means being transformed into all God intends us to be. While a consumer culture nurtures self-indulgence and a “religious” approach falls back on the rules, Jesus pointed to something deeper: to the habits of the heart and the cultivated virtues, such as courage, patience, humility, and love. Join with us this month as we investigate how the small, everyday choices we make can shape our moral muscle so that imitating Jesus’ character becomes “second nature.”

Webpage: fortplainandsprakersreformed.org

**The Loaves and Fishes Food Pantry
is open on Wednesday’s 9:00 am to 5:00 pm**

WE NEED:

Volunteer’s for ALL SHIFTS

Someone to pick up bread at “Freihofers”

Canned Tuna and Hotdogs

Bible Study—

9:30 am Fort Plain Fellowship Hall

a glance at the Gospels (today and June 30)

1 and 2 Timothy (July 14 and 28)

**Be sure to add a piece or two to the puzzle in the foyer
next week is the BIG reveal!**

**Prayer request forms are available in then narthex,
place it in the offering plate for use in worship today.
Also, you can email Bev Dingman with prayer requests at
lizdingman52@yahoo.com**



FORT PLAIN REFORMED CHURCH

June 23, 2024

GATHERING MUSIC

*...as we enter worship, may our hearts and minds be focused on God,
creator, savior, sustainer.*

VOTUM

PRELUDE

May God Be Praised

Thomas Bliss

Choir anthem.

Postlude Recessional. George Blake

***CALL TO WORSHIP—**

*Make a joyful noise to God, all the earth; sing the glory of his name;
give to him glorious praise.*

*All the earth worships you; they sing praises to you,
sing praises to your name.*

***HYMN** “Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee” (WC #20)

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)

*Almighty God, we confess how hard it is to be your people.
You have called us to be the church,
to continue the mission of Jesus Christ to our lonely and confused world.
Yet we acknowledge we are more apathetic than active,
isolated than involved, callous than compassionate,
obstinate than obedient, legalistic than loving.
Gracious Lord, have mercy upon us and forgive our sins.
Remove the obstacles preventing us
from being your representatives to a broken world.
Awaken our hearts to the promised gift of your indwelling Spirit.
This we pray in Jesus’ powerful name. Amen.*

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

***Gloria Patri**

SCRIPTURE James 1:2-4 Romans 5:1-5

Musical meditation

SERMON

***PROFESSION OF FAITH —Apostles Creed**

***HYMN** “Blessed Assurance, Jesus is Mine” (WC #514)

SHARING OF OUR TITHES AND GIFTS

Offertory Thy Word Amy Grant

***Doxology/Prayer**

PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

***BLESSING**

***HYMN** “I Have Decided” (WC #576)

***POSTLUDE** Recessional George Blake

You are all invited to attend the installation of
Rev. Nancy Ryan
to the Sprakers Reformed Church
July 28th @ 3:30 pm
Please plan to join us in this joyous
celebration of our congregations
ministry together