



**The First Presbyterian Church of Potsdam  
November 15, 2020  
Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**THOUGHT FOR REFLECTION**

“The greatness of a community is most accurately measured by the compassionate actions of its members.” - Coretta Scott King

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**PRELUDE**

\*Please join in and speak in unison all **bolded** parts.

**CALL TO WORSHIP-**

One: We need your presence on this long road, O Lord.

**Many: The road between fear and courage.**

One: The road between the place where all is lost, and the redemption of that which is lost.

**Many: Come walk this road with us, O God. We are in need of your company.**

**GATHERING PRAYER—**

**Spirit of God, from the rising of the sun to the going down of the same, we find our life in you. Come this morning, and dwell among us, that we might know your leading and find the strength to follow. Amen.**

**OPENING HYMN**

“To God Be the Glory”

#634 (see PDF)

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**Teach us, O God, of strength and wholeness, of boldness and wellness. Forgive us for settling for mediocrity and the status quo—of existing in a state of half-life. Embolden us to claim your healing power for ourselves and others, that the world might know the goodness of your everlasting life. In the name of the Spirit we pray, Amen.**

**ASSURANCE OF GRACE**

**TIME WITH THE YOUNG AND THE YOUNG AT HEART**

## ANTHEM

## SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 5:1-11 (MSG)

## SERMON

with Rev. Katrina Hebb

## HYMN

“Faith Begins by Letting Go”

#864 (see PDF)

## CELEBRATION OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

### THE PRAYER OF OUR SAVIOR

Ground of all being, Mother of Life,  
Father of the Universe,  
your name is sacred, beyond speaking.  
May we know your presence,  
may your longings be our longings in heart and in action.  
May there be food today for the human family  
and for the whole earth community.  
Forgive us the falseness of what we have done  
as we forgive those who are untrue to us.  
Do not forsake us in our times of conflict  
but lead us to new beginnings.  
For the light of life, the vitality of life  
and the glory of life are yours  
now and forever. Amen.

## CLOSING HYMN

“Will You Come and Follow Me?”

#726(see PDF)

## POSTLUDE

Thank you very much for joining us in today’s remote service.  
May God’s health and peace find you in these uncertain times.

Worship Leader: Rev. Katrina Hebb

Music Leaders: Dr. Guilherme Godoi and Dr. Feryal Qudourah

Clerk of Session: Suzanne Waters

Session Members: Terry de la Vega, Alicia Newcombe, and Renee Stauffer

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