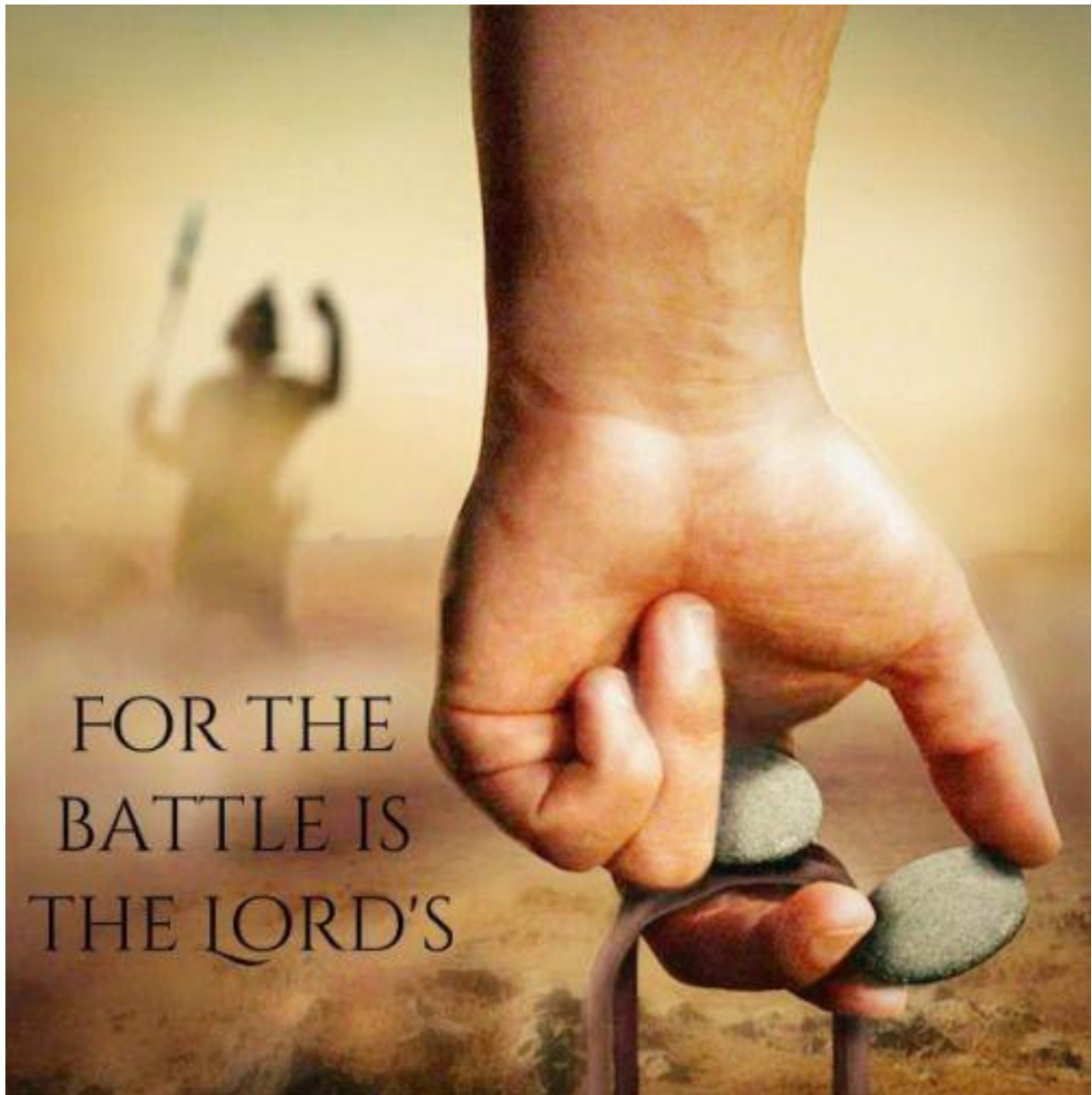


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United Presbyterian Church

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Welcome The Reverend Carol Barrett
Announcements Elder Allen Pease
Prelude Patrick Tervo

Call to Worship (Psalm 9) Deacon Vera Heitink, liturgist

Leader: The Lord is a stronghold for the oppressed, a fortress in times of trouble.

People: **Those who know Your name, put their trust in You, for You, O Lord, have not forsaken those who seek You.**

Leader: Sing praises to the Lord, who dwells in Zion. Declare God's deeds among the peoples.

People: **For God does not forget the cry of the afflicted. Be gracious to me, O Lord. See my sufferings, hear my plea.**

Leader: God's righteousness and judgement are known throughout all the world. The wicked are snared in the work of their own hands.

People: **For the needy shall not always be forgotten, nor the hope of the poor perish forever.**

Leader: Rise up, O Lord! Do not let mortals prevail. Let the nations be judged before You.

All: **Give Your people strength and wisdom, O Lord, that all may see their good works and glorify You!**

***Opening Hymn** *A Mighty Fortress Is Our God* #260

Prayer of Confession (in unison with Liturgist)

God, we confess that we do not always trust you to go into battle with us. We depend upon ourselves and we know we are too weak to stand against Your enemies. So we back out of our commitments to Your work.

Open our hearts to Your presence, Lord. Transform us from doubters into brave followers of Your way. Hear now our silent confessions Amen.

Declaration of Forgiveness

***Gloria Patri** #579



Passing of the Peace

Liturgist: God sends this message of joy to all people, preaching peace by Jesus Christ, the Lord of all. Let us share this holy peace with one another. The peace of Christ be with you.

People: **And also, with you.**

Music for Meditation

Patrick Tervo

Prayer for Illumination (Liturgist)

Gracious and Holy God: give us Diligence to seek Thee, Wisdom to perceive Thee, Eyes to behold Thee, a Heart to meditate upon Thee, and a Life to proclaim Thee; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Old Testament Reading 1 Samuel 17:32-49 – Liturgist

New Testament Reading Mark 12:28-34 – Pastor

Pastor: The word of the Lord **People: Thanks be to God**

Sermon

Fighting our Goliath

Reverend Carol Barrett

***Sermon Hymn:** *Great Is Thy Faithfulness* #276

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH—Apostle's Creed (traditional) led by Rev. Barrett

I Believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Call for the Offering – Elder Alejandra Haddad

Offertory

**Doxology* #592

Prayer of Dedication

***Closing Hymn:** *Blest Be the Tie That Binds* #438

Charge and Benediction Reverend Carol Barrett

Postlude **Patrick Tervo**

*Please stand if you are able

UPC Prayer List - Email requests to: upcbloomington@gmail.com.

Bob Hammel Kevin Jones Roby Lorimer Virginia McCartney

Kathleen Olds Anita Steverson Benjamin Watkins

His Eyes Mission in Honduras Nyaka Global in Uganda

The people of Georgia, Lebanon, Nigeria, Middle East, Sudan, Syria and Ukraine

Retired Ministers living in the POV. A number of retired Presbyterian pastors live within or near the bounds of POV. While officially retired, many of them remain active in the presbytery by participating in assemblies, serving on committees and commissions, moderating sessions,

providing pulpit supply and supporting colleagues. We're grateful for pre- and postretirement service and ask that you pray for their health and well-being.



47th Annual Bloomfield First Presbyterian Women's Association's Tasting Luncheon



Friday, June 27th.

Sue Lorimer has attended every one of the first 46.

Let's Help Sue Rack Up #47!

Road Trip to Bloomfield!

Attendees get a tablespoon of each of twelve dishes selected and prepared by the Women's Association. And it adds up to a hearty lunch.

Sue's husband, the late Reverend Robert Lorimer, served First Presbyterian for many years as pastor. Just over 47 years ago, Sue was among the women who founded the fundraiser which is now an annual tradition in Bloomfield.

It's a great time lunching, fellowshiping and meeting Sue's friends.



➤ Susan Isenogle, Bloomfield First Presbyterians' secretary and longtime friend of Sue at last year's Tasting Luncheon.

\$10 a person. \$2 Recipe booklet (optional).

Carpool from UPC parking lot about 10:30 – leaving about 10:45 a.m.

To Sign Up – See Allen Pease

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