

## WELCOME TO FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Grace and peace to each of you in the name of Jesus Christ. We welcome you to this worship service. If you are a guest, please sign the guest book in the back of the sanctuary or fill out a visitor's card in the pew rack and place it in the offering plate. We would love to greet you by name. We invite you to join us every Sunday morning for Sunday School at 9:00 a.m. during the school year, and worship at 10:15 a.m.

### *A Time of Fellowship*

You are warmly invited to join us for a time of fellowship and treats in the Coffee Room next to the sanctuary immediately following the service.

## † TO KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS †

*Those grieving following the death of someone special*

*Those recovering from illness, injury, or surgery*

*Those facing chronic health issues*

*Those facing difficult medical decisions*

*Those battling cancer*

*Those in transition*

*Those struggling with depression, grief, or sorrow*

*The Pastor Nominating Committee (PNC)*

*Missionaries*

*Those suffering from the negative effects of natural disasters, especially those facing fires in California*

### We offer prayers of joy and thanksgiving for:

*Lynn Sutter and Carlie Boelk* (birthdays) and *Bill & Karen Stant* (anniversary)

*An extra hour of sleep this morning!*

## THE WEEK IN BRIEF

(events at FPC unless noted)

Sun., November 3	9:00am	Sunday School for all ages
<i>Daylight Savings ends</i>	10:15am	Worship: Rev. John Armstrong, preaching Sacrament of Holy Communion
<i>Food for the 1st</i>	11:30am	Deacons meeting
Tue., November 5	11:30am	Young at Heart @ Village Inn
Wed., November 6	6:30pm	Choir
Sat., November 9	8:30am	Congregational Life
Sun., November 10	9:00am	Sunday School for all ages
<i>Supplies for the 2nd</i>	10:15am	Worship: Rev. John Armstrong, preaching
	11:30am	Christmas play practice

### Banners Currently Hanging in the Sanctuary

South Wall - Thankfulness - Psalm 92:1 (*in memory of Ruth Muir*)

West Wall - Praise - Psalm 96:1 (*in memory of Betty Gronau*)

North Wall - Discipleship - Matthew 28:19 (*in memory of Lydia Sturman*)

**Communion Servers:** Alex Jack, Steve Foxen, Beth Foxen, Tom Boelk, Tracy Wildermuth, Judy Sheridan

**Deacons for the month of November:** Steve & Beth Foxen

**For pastoral emergencies,** please contact the Rev. John Armstrong at 605-354-3891 or [Armstrongfpcdbq@gmail.com](mailto:Armstrongfpcdbq@gmail.com). Office hours are Wednesday and Thursday from 9:00am-12:00pm or by appointment.

**Prayer Chain Change:** You may now email, text, or call prayer requests to Rev. John Armstrong (see contact information above).

**Admin Office Hours** for Ginger Vander Broek are Monday, Wednesday & Thursday 9:00-1:00pm.

### Lectionary Readings for November 10th:

Haggai 65:17-25; Isaiah 12

2 Thessalonians 3:6-13; Luke 21:5-19

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# FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

10:15am      Founded 1847  
21st Sunday after Pentecost      November 3, 2019

### Announcements

Rev. John Armstrong

### Prelude

### For Prayer and Reflection:

Psalm 84:10-11

*We gather in worship to remember: "Better is one day in your courts than a thousand elsewhere; I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God than dwell in the tents of the wicked. For the Lord God is a sun and shield; the Lord bestows favor and honor; no good thing does he withhold from those whose walk is blameless."*

### Call to Worship

Psalm 100:1, 2, 5

Let us worship God, the source of love and life.

**Let us worship Jesus Christ, the risen one,  
who lives among us.**

Let us worship the Spirit, the holy one, who renews us.

**To the one true God be praise in all times and places,  
through the grace of Jesus Christ.**

### Opening Prayer

### \*Hymn of Praise

Hymn #111      "When Morning Gilds the Skies"      *Laudes Domini*

### Call to Confession

### Prayer of Confession

**Gracious God, our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide, and too deep to undo. Forgive what our lips tremble to name; what our hearts can no longer bear; and what has become for us a consuming fire of judgment. Set us free from a past that we cannot change; open to us a future in which we can be change; and grant us grace to grow more in your likeness and image.**

*Silent Confession (Here let each worshiper offer silent, personal prayers of confession.)*

### Declaration of Forgiveness

\*Gloria Patri #734

### Prayer for Illumination

**First Reading** Habakkuk 1:1-4, 2:1-4 p. 1456

**Choral Anthem** “Oh, Lord, Your Table Now Is Spread” Nix  
*Oh, Lord, Your table now is spread, your cup with love overflows; and those who worship in this hour all your tender mercies know. From north and south, and east and west, have come Your grateful, joyful guests, and all who gather in this place are those who journeyed here by faith. Drawn by your quick’ning grace, oh, Lord, four countless ages they have come to take the cup and lift it up and celebrate the Living One, Jesus Christ, Your Son! Oh, Lord, we gather in this hour to remember the broken bread and cup. Oh, Lord, Your table here is spread, and Jesus Christ is lifted up. Oh, Lord, Your table here is spread, and Jesus Christ is lifted up.*

**Second Reading** Luke 19:1-10 p. 1630

**Sermon** “Jesus Finds Us First”

**\*Hymn of Response**  
Hymn #345 “Jesus Calls Us o’er the Tumult” Galilee

**\*Affirmation of Faith** “The Apostles’ Creed”  
**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.**

**The Offering**  
**Offertory**  
**\*Doxology #34**  
**\*Prayer of Dedication**

**Joys and Concerns**

**Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper**

**Invitation**

**Communion Hymn**

Hymn #699 “Let Us Break Bread Together” Let Us Break Bread

**Great Prayer of Thanksgiving**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks & praise.**

...we lift our hearts in joyful praise, for you alone are holy:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest...**

**The Lord’s Prayer**

*Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.*

**Words of Institution**

**Communion of the People** *(Please hold the elements until all have been served. Gluten-free bread is in the center of the plate. Grape juice is served in place of wine.)*

**Prayer after Communion**

**\*Sending Hymn**

Hymn #66 “To God Be the Glory” To God Be The Glory

**\*Charge & Benediction**

**\*Postlude**

*\*Those who are able, please stand.* “Joy in the Morning” Birchwood

**Leaders in Worship:**

Meegan Harkey, *pianist*

Jill Klinebriel, *Choir Director*

Sam Morales, *liturgist*

Rev. John Armstrong, *preacher*

**Welcoming you to First Presbyterian Church today:**

Sandy Spencer, *greeter*

The Holdeners, *Coffee Fellowship hosts*

Florence Siefker & Courtney Schnoor, *nursery attendants*

**Who We Are**

“We love because God first loved us.” I John 4:19

*First Presbyterian is a community of people who are experiencing the Father’s love in Jesus Christ through the Holy Spirit. We are called through the Scriptures to know Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior. In thankful response for all God has done for us, we serve our church, neighborhood, and world through ministries of worship, nurture, education and outreach.*

## IN THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

THIS MORNING we have the joy and blessings to participate in the Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper.

LAST SUNDAY WAS PLEDGE SUNDAY. There is still time to turn in your pledge cards. If you missed last Sunday’s deadline, we are still accepting your cards.

NEXT SUNDAY IS SUPPLIES FOR THE SECOND. Please bring packs of new toothbrushes and/or disinfecting wipes or sprays to help those living at the Domestic Violence Shelter.

TODAY IS FOOD FOR THE FIRST. It is our opportunity to support the Dubuque Food Pantry by filling the basket in the narthex with food!

JULIEN CHAMBER CHOIR, under the direction of of Kristen Eby and accompanied by Jill Klinebriel, presents a special anniversary concert, “Songs of Celebration: 20 Years of JCC!” on Sunday, November 10 a 3 pm at Sinsinawa Mound Chapel.

THANK YOU! to everyone who brought food items or helped to serve at the Café Ministry this past Thursday.

TRANSITION NEWS: The PNC continues to pray for God’s guidance as they discern who is to lead this congregation into the future. Please continue to hold our church family and the PNC in your prayers.

MISSION OPPORTUNITIES ABOUND. Please take a moment to look at the signup sheets in the Coffee Hour room. They are filled with helpful information and mission opportunities.

For more information on opportunities to connect with our neighborhood or learn about “Renewable Energy for Faith Communities,” please see the brochure’s in the Fellowship Room.

PREACHING SCHEDULE FOR THE NEXT FEW WEEKS:

Nov. 10 - Rev. Bradley Longfield

Nov. 17 - Rev. Beth McCaw

Nov. 24 - Rev. Timothy Slemmons

To support the mission and ministry of our church, we need \$13,564 per month. Offerings received through October 27th totaled \$11,078.48.