



Speak, O Lord, and renew our minds;  
Help us grasp the heights of Your plans for us,  
Truths unchanged from the dawn of time  
That will echo down through eternity.  
And by grace we'll stand on Your promises,  
And by faith we'll walk as You walk with us.  
Speak, O Lord, till Your church is built  
And the earth is filled with Your glory.

### Call to Confession

#### Prayer of Confession

Leader: *Almighty God, Maker of all things,*

People: **have mercy on us.**

Leader: *Jesus Christ, Redeemer of the world,*

People: **have mercy on us.**

Unison: ***Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. In your mercy forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways to the glory of your holy name. Amen.***

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

### Declaration of Forgiveness

#### \*Gloria Patri #734

#### Prayer for Illumination

**First Reading**                      Isaiah 6:1-8                      p. 1068

**Choral Anthem**                      “Be Thou My Vision”                      Parker

*Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart; naught be all else to me, save that thou art.  
Thou my best thought, by day or by night, waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.  
Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true word; I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord;  
thou my great Father, I thy true son; thou in me dwelling, and I with thee one. Riches  
I heed not, nor vain empty praise. Thou mine inheritance, now and always; thou and  
thou only, first in my heart, High King of heaven, my treasure thou art. High king of  
heaven, my victory won, may I reach heav'ns joys, O bright heaven's Sun! Heart of my  
own heart, whatever befall. Still be my vision, O Ruler of all.*

**Children's Message** (*Children through age 5 are invited to the nursery.*)

**Gospel Reading**                      Luke 18:9-14                      p. 1628

**Sermon**                      “Repentance”

#### \*Hymn of Response

Hymn #649

“Gather Us In” (vs. 1-2)

*Gather Us In*

#### \*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.**

#### Joys and Concerns

**Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer** (*Back cover of hymnal*)

#### The Offering

Offertory

“Andante”

*Mendelssohn*

\*Doxology #34

\*Prayer of Dedication

#### \*Sending Hymn

Hymn #710

“The Trees of the Field”

*Rubin/Dauermann*

#### \*Charge & Benediction

#### \*Postlude

“Postlude”

*Rinck*

*\*Those who are able, please stand.*

#### Leaders in Worship:

Kristen Eby, *Music Director*

Jill Klinebriel, *Choir Director*

Jean Holdener, *liturgist*

Rev. Daniel Emmert, *preacher*

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

Annalee Ward, *greeter*

Terri Gronau, *Coffee Fellowship host*

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

TODAY IS PLEDGE SUNDAY. We will receive pledge cards during worship. If you have misplaced your pledge card, extras are available in the back of the sanctuary.

THE ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING to elect officers and members of the 2020 Nominating Committee is TODAY immediately following worship.

NEXT SUNDAY IS FOOD FOR THE FIRST. Please bring your non-perishable food items to support the Dubuque Food Pantry by filling the basket in the narthex with food!

REMINDER: CLOCKS FALL BACK one hour next Sunday, Nov. 3, giving you an extra hour of sleep. Come to Sunday school and worship refreshed and eager to praise God!

OCTOBER IS A 5 THURSDAY MONTH, that means this Thursday we have the privilege of sharing in God's mission by serving at Café Ministry. Please check the sign up sheet in the Coffee Hour room. We are still in need of hot dog buns and pans of cookies or bars. Thank you for supporting this important ministry!

OCTOBER IS PASTOR APPRECIATION MONTH. Thank you to our Pastors in residence who are faithfully ministering among us and/or have had faithful ministries: John Armstrong, Bradley Longfield, Beth McCaw, Timothy Slemmons, Leon Thompson, and the memory of Henry Fawcett's work among us.

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.

#### PREACHING SCHEDULE FOR THE NEXT FEW WEEKS:

Nov. 3 - Rev. John Armstrong

Nov. 10 - Rev. Bradley Longfield

Nov. 17 - Rev. Beth McCaw

To support the mission and ministry of our church, we need \$13,564 per month. Offerings received through October 13th totaled \$9,757.88.