

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 struggling 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 dealing with the effects of gun violence, especially those in Texas

Those suffering from the negative effects of natural disasters, especially those dealing with too much or too little rain

We offer prayers of joy and thanksgiving for:

Kristen Eby (birthday)

Building improvements in the manse!

THE WEEK IN BRIEF
(events at FPC unless noted)

Sun., October 6
Food for the 1st 9:00am Sunday School for all ages
10:15am Worship:
Rev. Bradley Longfield, preaching
Sacrament of Holy Communion
11:30am Deacons meeting
12:00pm CROP Walk lunch @ Holy Trinity
12:30pm CROP Walk registration @ Holy Trinity
1:00pm CROP Walk departs from Holy Trinity

Sat., October 12 8:30am Congregational Life
9:30am Session

Sun., October 13
Supplies for the 2nd 9:00am Sunday School for all ages
10:15am Worship:
Rev. John Armstrong, preaching

Banners Currently Hanging in the Sanctuary

South Wall - Pentecost - *(in memory of Rev. Duncan Brockway)*
West Wall - Isaiah 43:1 *(in memory of Barb Stant)*
North Wall - I John 4:19 *(in honor of Rev. Katherine Achtemeier)*

Communion Servers: John Dillman, Hannah Eby, Tom Boelk, Beth Foxen, Linda Longfield, Jamie Dillman

Deacons for the month of October: Jamie Dillman and Hannah Eby

For pastoral emergencies, please contact the Rev. John Armstrong at 605-354-3891 or 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 October 13th:

Jeremiah 29:1, 4-7; Psalm 66:1-12
2 Timothy 2:8-15; Luke 17:11-19

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10:15am Founded 1847
World Communion Sunday October 6, 2019

Announcements Rev. John Armstrong

Minute for Mission Rev. Isaac Mukendi

Prelude "Christians, We Have Met to Worship" arr. Hayes

For Prayer and Reflection: John Calvin
Remember to lift up your eyes to that everlasting kingdom of Jesus Christ, and to think of whose cause it is in which you fight; for that glance will not only make you overcome all temptations which may spring from the infirmity of your flesh, but will also render you invincible by all the wiles of Satan, whatever he may devise to darken God's truth.

Call to Worship Psalm 100:1, 2, 5
Cry out with joy to the Lord, all the earth.
Worship the Lord with gladness.
Come into God's presence with singing!
**For the Lord is a gracious God, whose mercy is everlasting;
and whose faithfulness endures to all generations.**

Opening Prayer

***Songs of Praise**
"U ya-i mose" Gondo/Donaldson
U ya-i mose ti-na ma-te Mwa-ri (3x)
U ya-i mose svi-no.
Come all God's people! Come as one to worship! (3x)
Come now and worship the Lord!
Bring joy and gladness! Bring your prayers and praises!
Bring tears and sadness! Bring your prayers and praises!
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Come now and worship the Lord!
U ya-i mose ti-na ma-te Mwa-ri (3x)
U ya-i mose svi-no.

"Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)" Tomlin
Amazing grace, how sweet the sound, that saved a wretch like me.
I once was lost, but now I'm found, was blind, but now I see.
'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear and grace my fears relieved;
How precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed.

My chains are gone. I've been set free;
My God, my Savior has ransomed me.
And like a flood His mercy reigns,
Unending love, amazing grace.

The Lord has promised good to me, His word my hope secures;
He will my shield and portion be as long as life endures.

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Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, you pardon all who truly repent and turn to you. We humbly confess our sins and ask your mercy. We have not loved you with a pure heart, nor have we loved our neighbor as ourselves. We have not done justice, loved kindness, or walked humbly with you, our God. Have mercy on us, O God, in your loving-kindness. In your great compassion, cleanse us from our sin. Create in us a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within us. Do not cast us from your presence, or take your Holy Spirit from us. Restore to us the joy of your salvation and sustain us with your bountiful Spirit.

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

Declaration of Forgiveness

*Gloria Patri #734

Prayer for Illumination

First Reading 2 Timothy 1:1-14 p. 1852

Choral Anthem “Oh, Lord, Your Table Now Is Spread” *Williams/Nix*

Second Reading Luke 17:5-10 p. 1627

Sermon “Prisoner for the Lord”

***Hymn of Response**
Hymn #96 “O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing” *Azman*

***Affirmation of Faith** “The Apostles’ Creed” (*Back cover of hymnal*)

The Offering
Offertory “Let Us Ever Walk With Jesus” *arr. Osman*
***Doxology #34**
***Prayer of Dedication**

Joys and Concerns

Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper

Invitation

Communion Hymn

Hymn #689 “One Bread, One Body” *arr. Smith*

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 (Back cover of hymnal)

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 #366 “And Can It Be” *Sagina*

*Charge & Benediction

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

Leaders in Worship:

Kristen Eby, *Music Director*

Jill Klinebriel, *Choir Director*

Joe Klinebriel, *liturgist*

Rev. Bradley Longfield, *preacher*

Welcoming you to First Presbyterian Church today:

Annalee Ward, *greeter*

The Wards, *Coffee Fellowship hosts*

Florence Siefker & Courtney Schnoor, *nursery attendants*

Who We Are

“We love because God first loved us.” *1 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 WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY: Join us as we celebrate the Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper with those around the globe.

Rev. Isaac Mukendi of Congo is assisting with Communion today. Rev. Mukendi is General Secretary of the Presbyterian Community of Kinshasa (CPK). He has served in the position since Sept. 2017. Married and the father of seven children, the Rev. Mukendi is also a high school English teacher. He has studied African cultures.

PLEDGE SUNDAY IS 3 WEEKS AWAY. Please pick up your stewardship packet from the back of the sanctuary as you leave worship today.

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, and Leon Thompson and the memory of Henry Fawcett’s work among us.

OCTOBER IS A 5 THURSDAY MONTH, that means it’s Café Ministry time again. The sign up sheet in the Coffee Hour room. Thank you for supporting this important ministry.

THANK YOU for your gifts to the Dubuque Food Pantry. The need is great, and your donations help restock the shelves.

NEXT WEEK IS SUPPLIES FOR THE SECOND. Please bring paper towels, Windex, and/or disinfectant wipes for the residents at the domestic violence shelter.

THIS CROP HUNGER WALK IS TODAY. Walkers gather at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church on Delhi to enjoy a free lunch at noon, register at 12:30pm, and begin the walk at 1:00pm. FPC’s team goal is \$1,000. You can still donate to the team either in person or online at www.crophungerwalk.org/dubuqueia or talk to Jean Holdener.

TRANSITION NEWS: The PNC continues to pray for God’s guidance as they discern who is to lead this congregation into the future.

Please take a moment to look at the big bulletin board in the Coffee Hour Room. It is filled with helpful information and events happening locally and abroad.

PREACHING SCHEDULE FOR THE NEXT FEW WEEKS:

Oct. 13 - Rev. John Armstrong

Oct. 20 - Rev. Timothy Slemmons

Oct. 27 - Rev. Daniel Emmert

To support the mission and ministry of our church, we need \$13,564 per month. Offerings received through September 29th totaled \$12,614.85.