

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 recovering

For those grieving

Those facing health issues

Those battling cancer

For a healthy pregnancy

For a family to be united in the US

Missionaries

For those surrounded by violence and religious persecution

For those affected by the immigrant/asylum issues on our southern border

Those dealing with hurricanes, earthquakes, flooding, wildfires, & other natural disasters in the United States and around the world

We offer prayers of joy and thanksgiving for:

Those celebrating birthdays and anniversaries

For a cancer-free diagnosis

For family and friends of FPC who have completed the Pacific Crest Trail

THE WEEK IN BRIEF

(events at FPC unless noted)

Sun., September 30

9:00am

Sunday School for all ages

10:15am

Worship:

Rev. Lyle Vander Broek, preaching

11:30am

PNC in manse choir practice room

11:30am

FPC Nominating Committee (Linda’s

Sunday School room)

1:30pm

Bethany Home:

Lyle Vander Broek & Jill Klinebriel

Tue., October 2

11:30pm

Young at Heart @ Village Inn

Wed., October 3

2:00pm

Bible Study @ Bethany Home

6:30pm

Choir

Fri., October 5

1:30pm

Manor Care: Tom Jack

Sat., October 6

8:00am

Men’s Breakfast @ Sunshine

Sun., October 7

9:00am

Sunday School for all ages

Food for the First

10:15am

Worship:

Rev. Beth McCaw, preaching

Sacrament of Holy Communion

1:00pm

CROP Walk @ Holy Trinity Lutheran

Banners Currently Hanging in the Sanctuary

South Wall - Giving Thanks (in memory of Ruth Muir)

West Wall - Making Disciples (in memory of Lydia Sturman)

North Wall - Sing to the Lord (in memory of Betty Gronau)

Deacons for the month of September:

Jamie Dillman & Mark Stant

October:

Terri Gronau & Suzanne Heber

For pastoral emergencies

this week, please contact Lyle Vander Broek at

lylevanderbroek@gmail.com or Bradley Longfield at bl.longfield@gmail.com

Prayer Chain

requests may be emailed or called to the church (582-4494), or

emailed to Linda at fpcdbqlongfield@gmail.com

Office Hours

for Ginger Vander Broek are Mon., Wed., Thu. 9:00am-1:00pm.

Lectionary Readings for October 7th:

Job 1:1; 2:1-10; Psalm 26

Hebrews 1:1-4; 2:5-12; Mark 10:2-16

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Founded 1847

10:15am

19th Sunday after Pentecost

September 30, 2018

Announcements

Lyle Vander Broek

Prelude

“All for Jesus”

arr. Bock

For Prayer and Reflection:

John Calvin

“For all benefits that God bestows for the spiritual life, as Paul teaches, flow from this one source: namely, that God has chosen whom he has willed, and before their birth has laid up for them individually the grace that he has willed for them.”

Call to Worship

Psalm 9

I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart;

I will tell of all your wonderful deeds.

I will be glad and exult in you;

I will sing praise to your name, O Most High.

Opening Prayer

*Songs of Praise

“He Came Down” (also Hymn #402)

Cameroon

He came down that we may have love; (3x)

Hallelujah forevermore.

He came down that we may have peace; (3x)

Hallelujah forevermore.

He came down that we may have joy; (3x)

Hallelujah forevermore

He came down that we may have life; (3x)

Hallelujah forevermore.

“O Lord, You’re Beautiful”

Keith Green

O Lord, You’re beautiful

Your face is all I seek.

For when Your eyes are on this child,

Your grace abounds to me.

O Lord, please light the fire

That once burned bright and clear.

Replace the lamp of my first love

That burns with holy fear.

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession Psalm 51
Have mercy upon me, O God, according to your steadfast love; according to your abundant mercies, blot out my transgressions. Against you, and you alone, have I sinned, and done what is evil in your sight. Indeed, I was born guilty, a sinner when my mother conceived me. Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean. Wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow. Create in me a clean heart, O God, and put a new and right spirit within me. Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and sustain in me a willing spirit. The sacrifice acceptable to God is a broken spirit; a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise.

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

Declaration of Forgiveness

**Gloria Patri #734*

Prayer for Illumination

First Reading Mark 10:17-27 p. 1570

Choral Anthem “Always By Our Side” *Burrows*
Father, hear the prayer we offer: not for ease our prayer shall be, but for strength that we may ever live our lives courageously. Be our strength in times of weakness, in our wand’rings, be our guide; through each danger and endeavor, be always by our side. Not forever in green pastures do we ask our way to be, but the steep and rugged pathway, may we walk rejoicingly. Be our strength in times of weakness, in our wand’rings, be our guide; through each danger and endeavor, be always by our side. Not forever by still waters would we idly rest and stay, but would draw the living fountains from the rocks along our way. Be our strength in times of weakness, in our wand’rings, be our guide; through each danger and endeavor, be always by our side.

Children’s Message (Children through age 5 are invited to the nursery)

Second Reading Philippians 3:1b-11 p. 1828

Sermon “Righteousness Through Christ Alone”

**Hymn of Response*
Hymn #349 “Seek Ye First” *Lafferty*

**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
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

The Offering
Offertory “Softly and Tenderly” *arr. Forrest*
**Doxology*
**Prayer of Dedication*

**Sending Hymn*
Hymn #670 “O Word of God Incarnate” *Munich*

**Charge & Benediction*

**Postlude* “Christ the Redeemer” *Birchwood*
**Those who are able, please stand.*

Leaders in Worship:
Kristen Eby, *Music Director*
Jill Klinebriel, *Choir Director*
Lupe Morales, *liturgist*
Rev. Lyle Vander Broek, *preacher*

Welcoming you to First Presbyterian Church today:
Suzanne Heber, *greeter*
The Jacks, *Coffee Fellowship hosts*
Elissa Smith and Florence Siefker, *nursery*

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

TRANSITION NEWS: The Pastor Nominating Committee (PNC) will meet today after worship to work on the Ministry Information Form (MIF). When completed, this complex form will answer questions that will describe our congregation and list the qualifications we would like our next pastor to possess. Please keep the PNC in your prayers: Jamie Dillman & Mark Ward (co-chairs), Lesley Sheridan, Scott McCaw, Carlie Boelk, Harold Daniels and Linda Longfield.

THANKS TO THE CONGREGATIONAL LIFE COMMITTEE for hosting a wonderful church picnic at Murphy Park! Over 45 people shared laughter, food, and fellowship. Hats off to Terri Gronau, Steve Foxen, Deb Stant, and Tracy Wildermuth for a job well done!

WE WALK BECAUSE THEY WALK!!! Next Sunday is the CROP Walk where we raise money to combat hunger in Dubuque and around the world. First Presbyterian's team goal is to raise \$1,000. Please walk or sponsor a walker. You can give your donation directly to a walker or donate online by going to <https://www.crophungerwalk.org/dubuqueia> and searching for "First Presbyterian." A free lunch for walkers will be held at noon at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church and the CROP Walk will begin at 1:00 PM. Please talk to Lesley Sheridan to join the team or to donate.

NEXT SUNDAY is FOOD FOR THE FIRST. Please bring your non-perishable food items for the Dubuque Food Pantry and help us fill the basket with food!

WANT TO INVITE A FRIEND TO FPC? Try handing them one of the little FPC invite cards that you can find in the narthex and Coffee Hour room. These colorful cards have lots of important information useful for anyone who might like to visit us. Take some cards and invite a friend or acquaintance or stranger.

WE CAN ALWAYS USE YOUR HELP! There are openings on the sign up sheets for Greeters and Coffee Fellowship hosts. This means that there are opportunities for you to serve in these important ministries. Check the sign up sheets in the Coffee Hour room to claim your spot!

PREACHING SCHEDULE THE NEXT FEW WEEKS:
Oct. 7 - Beth McCaw World Communion Sunday
Oct. 14 - Bradley Longfield
Oct. 21 - Timothy Slemmons

THESE DAYS devotional booklets for October, November and December are available in the Narthex. Take one to use during your devotional time.

To support the mission and ministry of our church, we need \$12,892 per month. Offerings received through September 23rd totaled \$10,799.30.