#### 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 Hour 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 safe delivery

For a family hoping to united in the United States

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 successful CROP Walk

#### THE WEEK IN BRIEF

(events at FPC unless noted)

Sun., October 21 9:00am Sunday School for all ages 10:15am Worship: Rev. Timothy Slemmons, preaching Wed., October 24 Bible Study @ Bethany Home 2:00pm 6:30pm Choir Sun., October 28 9:00am Sunday School for all ages 10:15am Worship: Rev. Lyle Vander Broek, preaching 1:30pm Bethany Home: Tom Jack & Jill Klinebriel

#### 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 October: Terri Gronau & Suzanne Heber

For pastoral emergencies this week, please contact Rev. Timothy Slemmons at TSlemmons@dbq.edu

**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 28th:

Job 42:1-6, 10-17

Psalm 34:1-8 (19-22)

Hebrews 7:23-28

Mark 10:46-52

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# FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Founded 1847

10:15am 22nd Sunday after Pentecost October 21, 2018

**Announcements** Timothy Slemmons

Moment for Stewardship Mark Ward

Prelude "Homage"

#### For Prayer and Reflection:

When Heaven Stands Open

Elgar

Compassionate Father, you know our weakness. Suffering Spirit, you hear our lament. Crucified Christ, you share your nature with us through your death and our brokenness. We struggle toward you, O God, you who are the one and only answer to the world's endless questions.

### Call to Worship

Who has the wisdom to number the clouds, or to summon the lightning?

Bless the Lord, O my soul!

For you, O God, are clothed with majesty!

Who has put wisdom in the inner being?

Bless the Lord, O my soul! For you, O God, are wrapped in light!

Who determined the dimensions of the earth, or laid the cornerstone for its foundation?

How manifold are your works, O God! In wisdom you have made them all!

#### Opening Prayer

#### \*Songs of Praise

"Blessed Be Your Name"

Redman

Blessed be Your Name in the land that is plentiful Where Your streams of abundance flow, blessed be Your Name.

Blessed be Your Name when I'm found in the desert place

Though I walk through the wilderness, blessed be Your Name.

(*Pre-Chorus*) Every blessing You pour out I'll turn back to praise When the darkness closes in, Lord, still I will say,

(Chorus)Blessed be the Name of the Lord, blessed be Your Name Blessed be the Name of the Lord, blessed be Your Glorious Name.

Blessed be Your Name when the sun's shining down on me, When the world's all as it should be, blessed be Your Name. Blessed be your name on the road marked with suffering, Though there's pain in the offering, blessed be Your Name. You give and take away, You give and take away, My heart will choose to say, Lord Blessed be Your Name. (repeat  $2^{nd}$  time to chorus)

"Still" Morgan

Hide me now, under your wings, Cover me within Your mighty hand.

Refrain: When the oceans rise and thunders roar,

I will soar with You above the storm. Father, You are King over the flood. I will be still and know you are God.

Find rest my soul, in Christ alone, Know His pow'r in quietness and trust. (*refrain*)

## Call to Confession

#### **Prayer of Confession**

Merciful God, with tears and cries you offered yourself for our release, yet our pettiness perpetuates grief and suffering. Forgive us, O Christ, for failing to recognize you in those we hurt or tear apart. Forgive us for holding ourselves and each other hostage in judgment, anger, contempt, and criticism. May your Spirit flow through us once again.

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

Declaration of Forgiveness

\*Gloria Patri #734

**Prayer for Illumination** 

First Reading

Job 38:1–7, 12-24

p. 835

Choral Anthem "We Sing Glory to God!" Williams/Drennan

The heavens are telling the glory of God, declaring His majesty. Without a sound they praise the Lord, their silence abundantly speaks. From the rising of the sun to the going down of the same, the heavens are telling the glory of God, His majesty they proclaim. The heavens are telling the glory of God, declaring His majesty. The sun and moon and galaxies to us a mystery. The Creator of all things; by His will they are sustained. The heavens are telling the glory of God, His majesty they proclaim. Wise are those who trust Him, for He restores the soul. His judgments are right, worth more than silver or gold. He makes the heart rejoice; He is God, Creator, Lord, and all who trust in Him, great is their reward. Glory, glory, glory to God! Glory, glory to God! The heavens are telling the glory of God, declaring His majesty. Without a sound they praise the Lord, their silence abundantly speaks. From the rising of the sun to the going down of the same, the heavens are telling the glory of God; His majesty they proclaim. We sing glory, glory, glory, glory, glory to God.

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

Second Reading Hebrews 5:1-10 p. 1866

Sermon "Job, Meet Jesus"

\*Hymn of Response

Hymn #473 "What a Friend We Have in Jesus"

Converse

\*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

"Lyric Echoes"

"Day by Day"

S. Scott

\*Doxology

\*Prayer of Dedication

\*Sending Hymn

Hymn #449

Blott En Dag

\*Charge & Benediction

\*Postlude "The Awakening"

Broughton

\*Those who are able, please stand.

#### Leaders in Worship:

Kristen Eby, Music Director Jill Klinebriel, Choir Director Sara Blair, liturgist Rev. Timothy Slemmons, preacher

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

Terri Gronau, *greeter*Hannah & Amanda Eby, *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) met and finalized the Ministry Information Form (MIF) and sent it to the Session. On Tuesday night, the Session approved their work, so the form will now go to the Committee on Ministry of the John Knox Presbytery. Please keep all involved in this process in your prayers.

The Session has called a CONGREGATIONAL MEETING following worship on Nov. 4<sup>th</sup> for the purpose of electing new officers - elders and deacons - and the at-large members to the 2019 Nominating Committee. Please plan to stay after worship for this very important meeting.

THANKS TO ALL WHO WALKED OR SPONSORED A WALKER IN THIS YEAR'S CROP WALK!!! FPC had 14 walkers and 2 dogs and raised \$1,090 to surpass our goal!!! Thanks be to God! A special thanks to Lesley Sheridan for coordinating our efforts this year.

STEWARDSHIP LETTERS and pledge cards are available in the back of the sanctuary. Please prayerfully consider how God is calling you to support the mission of the church in the coming year. We will receive pledge cards on Nov. 4 during worship.

WE NEED YOUR HELP! Coffee Hour Fellowship hosts are needed for dates after November 4<sup>th</sup>. Check the sign-up sheets in the Coffee Hour room to claim your spot!

REMINDER: Clocks fall back on Nov. 4, giving you an extra hour of sleep.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES abound! FPC needs representatives to two downtown groups: Downtown Dubuque Mission Outreach (DDCO) and Dubuque Area Congregations United (DACU). DACU will meet Oct. 23 at 7:00 at Immanuel Congregational UCC. Please let Annalee know if you are interested in attending.

#### PREACHING SCHEDULE THE NEXT FEW WEEKS:

Oct. 28 - Lyle Vander Broek

Nov. 4 - Bradley Longfield

Nov. 11 - Timothy Slemmons

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.

To support the mission and ministry of our church, we need \$12,892 per month. Offerings received through October 14th totaled \$8,469.25.