## LEADERS IN WORSHIP:

Preacher: Rev. Timothy Slemmons
Liturgist: Scott McCaw
Music Director & pianist: Kristen Eby
Special Music Director: Jill Klinebriel
Special Music: Kristen Eby, Jill Klinebriel, Linda Longfield
Musicians: John & Kristen Eby, Jill Klinebriel, Linda Longfield

# IN THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

- PASTOR ON STUDY LEAVE: Pastor Stephanie is on study leave through Monday, May 2. We welcome the Rev. Timothy Slemmons as our guest preacher today. In case of a pastoral emergency, contact the Rev. Stephanie Schlimm of St. Luke's UMC at (563) 581-5512.
- FOOD FOR THE 1ST IS TODAY. Please drop your donations to support the ministry of the Dubuque Food Pantry in the basket in the narthex. Thank you!
- 2 FELLOWSHIP OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK! Young at Heart: Wednesday, May 4 at 11:00am at Village Inn and Men's Breakfast: Saturday, May 6 at 8:00am at Papa Ozz.
- SUPPLIES FOR THE 2ND will be collected next Sunday, May 8th. This month's needs for the Domestic Violence Shelter are paper towels, window cleaner, and sippy cups/bottles.
- THANK YOU FOR GIVING! We have an updated total Of \$875 collected for One Great Hour of Sharing during this Lenten season.
- A HEARTFELT THANK YOU TO OUR STUDENT PASTOR, Dani Postma, for her contributions to the life and ministry of our congregation over this spring semester. Dani will join us again for a summer SPM term beginning May 23rd!
- PICNIC CELEBRATION: An all-church picnic Sunday honoring this year's Sunday School teachers, as well as, all graduates will be at Murphy Park after worship on Sunday, May 15, 2022. Please bring your own lunch, tableware, and drinks. The CE committee will provide a dessert.
- CELEBRATING 175 YEARS OF MINISTRY: The Session is coordinating several special events and activities in acknowledgment of our 175th year of sharing Christ in Dubuque. If you are interested in contributing to the celebration in a specific way; please reach out to Pastor Stephanie or a Session member ASAP.
- IT'S TIME TO SIGN UP FOR CREATOR'S CAMP! FPC is teaming up with St. Luke's, First Congregational, and Westminster to provide children ages 4-12 the opportunity to learn about God's creativity and how we can live into it! Attendees will learn new skills, hear Bible stories, meet new friends, and create new things. Register the children in your life for some or all Wednesdays between June 15-August 10 from 1pm-4pm by completing the form at <a href="https://forms.gle/rCX5KrcV3VCQtxxz8">https://forms.gle/rCX5KrcV3VCQtxxz8</a> This FREE summer camp at St. Luke's UMC is sure to be a hit!

# 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 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 9:00am during the school year, and worship at 10:15am. Nursery care is located in the basement and is provided during both the Sunday School and worship hour for children through age 5.

# THE WEEK IN BRIEF (events at FPC unless noted)

## Pastor on study leave thru 5/2

Sun. May 1 Food for the 1st	10:15am	Worship: Rev. Timothy Slemmons preaching Sacrament of Holy Communion
Mon. May 2	4:00pm	Mission
Tue. May 3	4:15pm	CE via Zoom
Wed. May 4	11:00am	Young at Heart @ Village Inn
Sat. May 7	8:00am	Men's Breakfast @ Papa Ozz
Sun. May 8 Supplies for the 2nd	10:15am	Worship: Rev. Stephanie Ells, preaching

# GIVING

To support the mission and ministry of our church, we need \$13,600 per month. Offerings received through April 24 totaled \$9,308.

- Offerings Year to Date through March \$34,985
- Expenses Year to Date through March \$38,209

# FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Deacons for the month of May: Jamie Dillman & Judy Sheridan

Pastor Stephanie's office hours are 9:00am-1:00pm on Monday and Wednesday. Contact her anytime with prayer requests or pastoral care needs at 507-227-8537 or <a href="mailto:fpcdbg.pastor@gmail.com">fpcdbg.pastor@gmail.com</a>

Admin Office Hours for Ginger Vander Broek are 9:30am-1:30pm Monday (home), Wednesday (home) and 9:30am-12:30pm Thursday (at FPC).

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# MAY 1, 2022 - Communion Sunday 3rd Sunday of Easter

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

PRELUDE "Every Day, I Will Bless You"

Blake

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## FOR PRAYER AND REFLECTION

God of the Resurrection, give us minds to believe where we cannot yet see your promises fulfilled, and hearts to trust what cannot be held; refresh us now with the great gifts of repentance, and faith, and your Holy Spirit, that our lives may be conformed to your holy will.

#### CALL TO WORSHIP

Christ our paschal lamb has been sacrificed.

Let us therefore keep the feast

with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.

Christ the bread of life has risen from the dead!

Let us celebrate the festival

in the presence of our risen Lord.

Christ the Lord has risen indeed!

Let us attend anew to the living Word.

Let us open the Scriptures and listen to the Lord.

#### **OPENING PRAYER**

#### \*SONG OF PRAISE

"Christ Is Risen He Is Risen Indeed" How can it be, the One who died, Has borne our sin through sacrifice To conquer every sting of death? Sing, sing hallelujah.

For joy awakes as dawning light When Christ's disciples lift their eyes. Alive He stands, their Friend and King; Christ, Christ He is risen.

CHORUS Christ is risen. He is risen indeed! Oh, sing hallelujah. Join the chorus, sing with the redeemed; Christ is risen. He is risen indeed.

Where doubt and darkness once had been. They saw Him and their hearts believed. But blessed are those who have not seen, Yet, sing hallelujah.

Once bound by fear now bold in faith, They preached the truth and power of grace. And pouring out their lives they gained Life, life everlasting. (Chorus)

The power that raised Him from the grave Now works in us to powerfully save. He frees our hearts to live His grace; Go tell of His goodness. (Chorus)

## CALL TO CONFESSION

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of the Resurrection, we cannot save ourselves by our good works, initiative, or cleverness. You alone have power to conquer sin and raise the dead. We confess we have doubted your willingness to heal us, forgotten how faithfully you have cleansed us in the past, and failed to develop the mighty gifts you have given us and charged us to use on behalf of others. Forgive us, O God, and renew our lives that we might stir others to seek new life in you.

#### SILENT CONFESSION

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

#### **DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS**

\*GLORIA PATRI #734

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

#### FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

Isaiah 61:1-11

p. 1157

SPECIAL MUSIC

"Across the Lands" Getty/Townend

## SECOND SCRIPTURE READING

John 21:1-25

p. 1687

**SERMON** "Supper's Ready"

#### \*HYMN OF RESPONSE #315

"This Is the Feast of Victory" vv. 1,2,5

Festival Canticle

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH Second Helvetic Confession, art. 5.175 L: Let us profess our faith regarding the "substance or chief thing in the sacraments":

P: The principle thing which God promises in all sacraments and to which all the godly in all ages direct their attention (some call it the substance and matter of the sacraments) is Christ the Savior—that only sacrifice, and the Lamb of God slain from the foundation of the world; that rock, also, from which all our [ancestors] drank, by whom all the elect are circumcised without hands through the Holy Spirit, and are washed from all their sins, and are nourished with the very body and blood of Christ unto eternal life.

THE OFFFRING

**OFFERTORY** "He Leadeth Me" arr. Shacklev

\*DOXOLOGY #34

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

## JOYS AND CONCERNS SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER INVITATION

#### **COMMUNION HYMN #695**

"As We Gather at Your Table" vv. 1,3 THE 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 and praise.

... who forever sing to the glory of your name:

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 available in the tray insert.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

#### \*SENDING HYMN #347

"Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore" vv. 1,2,4 Pescadore

Beach Spring

#### \*BENEDICTION

\*POSTLUDE "I Love Thy Kingdom Lord"

arr. Long

# A TIME OF FELLOWSHIP

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

## WELCOMING YOU TO WORSHIP:

Greeters: Mark & Deb Stant Communion servers: John Dillman, Tom Boelk, Mark Stant, Deb Stant, Jamie Dillman, Judy Sheridan Coffee Fellowship hosts: Mark & Annalee Ward Nursery Attendants: Lisa Reed & Florence Siefker (Children through age 5 are invited to the nursery for any or all of the service)

<sup>\*</sup>Those who are able, please stand.

<sup>\*\*</sup>The Second Helvetic Confession The word "Helvetic" is Latin for "Swiss." The setting of the Second Helvetic Confession is Swiss-German Reformed Protestantism and it was written by Heinrich Bullinger in 1531. It is part of the PC(USA) Book of Confessions and emphasizes the church and its life and affirms the authority of the Scriptures for the church's government and reformation.