

First Presbyterian Church

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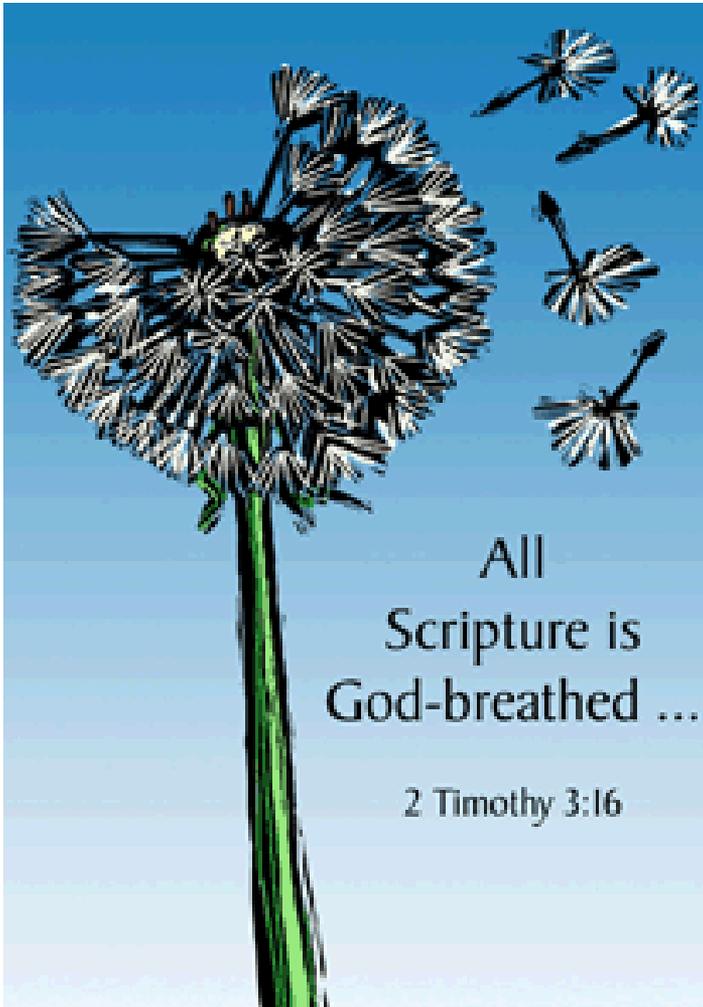
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Phone 641-753-5929

9:00 a.m.

April 11, 2021



- **Those who are able are invited to stand.**

PRELUDE *Easter Fantasy on “Palestrina” The Strife Is O’er, the Battle Done”*
Giovanni Palestrina

LIFE OF THE CONGREGATION

SONG OF DEVOTION

Organ leads as we prepare our hearts for worship.

CALL TO WORSHIP (Psalm 71)

Leader: In you, O Lord, I have taken refuge. Be my rock of refuge, to which I can always go.

People: For you have been my hope, O Sovereign Lord, my confidence since my youth. From birth I relied on you. I will ever praise you.

Leader: Do not cast me away when I am old. Do not forsake me when my strength is gone.

People: I will always have hope. I will praise you more and more. My mouth will tell of your salvation all day long!

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

Father, we come to you with quiet awe and humble adoration. Your loving and watchful care surrounds us. We have nothing to fear and no need to worry because you are with us. You go before us on the paths you have prepared for us and you follow us and protect us from behind. By your grace, I have everything I need to live this day without the baggage of yesterday or the burdens of tomorrow. With your grace and with your help, may my life be an act of praise and worship to you!

- **HYMN OF PRAISE**

#56 *To God Be the Glory*

CALL TO CONFESSION

Leader: We never grow tired of the promise that “If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.”

SILENT PRAYER

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Unison: Heavenly Father, we often cry, “Help!” Sometimes we’re in a panic. Sometimes we’re discouraged. Sometimes we’re angry. And we know that we need you to confront us. You take us as we are! If we need calming, you do that. If we need motivation, you move us forward. And most of all, if we need forgiveness and cleansing, you come to our need. We confess our failings and our impatience. Thank you for being our rock of refuge. In Jesus’ name, Amen.

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

Leader: Because he forgives us, we can again be filled with praise. We can declare his splendor all day long!

- **GLORIA PATRI**

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost, as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen.

MORNING PRAYERS

Pastoral Prayer
Prayers for the People
The Lord’s Prayer

- **SONGS OF PRAISE**

#146 *I Worship You, Almighty God*
Christ Our Hope in Life and Death

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

OFFERING OUR GIFTS

The Call

Offertory *Because He Lives*

- *Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him, all creatures here below. Praise Him above, ye heavenly host. Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen*

And Blessing (remain standing)

- *Blest be the tie that binds, our hearts in Christian love;
The fellowship of kindred minds, is like to that above.*

SCRIPTURE READING: Jonah 1 and 2

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SERMON: “Jonah, Still Teaching After 3,000 Years”

Jean Bower

LET US LIVE IN THE POWER OF CHRIST

- **HYMN OF DEDICATION**
#597 *Take My Life* (v. 1, 5, & 6)
- **BENEDICTION**
- **ORGAN RESPONSE**
- **POSTLUDE**

Announcements

Welcome Jean Bower, Lay Pastor, as she brings the message to First Presbyterian Church this morning.

Lay leader today is Terri Rottink.

Altar flowers today given in memory of John, Jr., John, Sr., and Ruth Bailey by Audrey Bailey.

The deacons today are Barb McBride and Marge Wolfe.

On the presbytery's prayer list for this week is **First Presbyterian Church**, Algona, IA, **First Presbyterian Church**, Irvington, IA, and Rev. Stephen Nofel.



The One Great Hour of Sharing fish bank return event has been rescheduled to **Sunday, April 25th** at 1:00 p.m. in the church parking lot.

Please send your tithes and offerings to the church office at 101 S. Center Street, Marshalltown, IA 50158.



Marshalltown Christian School Kindergarten & Begindergarten Round-up will take place Monday, April 19, from 9:00 – 11:30 am at the school. A mid-morning snack will be served. Begindergarten is for students who need more than preschool but aren't quite ready for kindergarten. These students still need to turn five by September 15, 2021, and they will complete Begindergarten before moving on to kindergarten. Please text or call Bethany at 641-691-5509 or email mcs@marshalltownchristianschool.com by Friday, April 16, to register your student.

Joys and Concerns

- **Nancy Diggins**, hospitalized at Mary Greeley in Ames
- **The family of Dorothy Wilson** who died 4/3/2021
- **Sophie Attiogbé**, hospitalized in Iowa City

Continuing Joys and Concerns

- **Hudson Boyd**, grandson of **Doug & Jinita Boyd**, is doing well. Let's continue to pray for him.
- **Mary Baker** recovering back at Glenwood Place
- **Mavis Gray**, recovering at Oakview in Conrad
- **Lyle Fox**, recovering at home
- **Bonnie Sievers**, at Grandview to continue recovery
- **Irene Sheeler**, recovering in a care facility in Indiana
- **Pastor Rich King**, continuing recovery
- **All those affected in any way by the COVID-19 virus**
- **Missionaries** supported by First Presbyterian Church
- **Rev. David Githii**, his ministry in Kenya

Please pray for everyone on our list! Thank you for keeping us informed about joys and concerns. Remember, hospitalized members and friends don't always get on the list at the hospital. We'd rather get several calls than none! Phone the church at 753-5929 or e-mail church@fpcmarshalltown.org

Please let us know if you'd like the **prayer chain** activated.

The Purpose Statement for First Presbyterian Church of Marshalltown

- G Growing in Christ through *worship*.
- R Reaching out in *fellowship*
- A Affirming faith through *discipleship*
- C Caring for the lost through *evangelism*.
- E Embracing others in mission and *ministry*.

Calendar for This Week April 11 – April 17, 2021

SUNDAY

9:00 AM Worship – In person & online
10:15 AM Sunday school Zoom meeting

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

5:00 PM Wednesday Club to Go

THURSDAY

2:00 PM First Pres. @ House of Compassion

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

8:00 AM Men's Group – Zoom

NEXT SUNDAY

9:00 AM Worship – In person and online

Members in mission, making a difference

Transitional Pastor	Rev. Tom Bower
Youth & Young Families Director	Jon Rottink
Office Manager/Newsletter Editor	Nancy Diggins
CE Coordinator	Michelle Wilkinson
Choir Director	Valerie King
Organist	Wynona Anderson
Assistant Organist	Marla Grossman
Custodian	Debbie Armstrong

Session Elders

Wynona Anderson	Lynne Bovenmyer
Jenny Buschbom	Terry Buzbee
Doug Cooper	Amy Drummer
Sarah Erikson	Don Feld
Dave Freel	Case Hegeman
Pat Hemming	Tedra Henze
Ashley Johnson	Ron Kauffman
Angie Pietig	

Deacons

Tim & Deanna Bell	Doug & Jinita Boyd
Jim Grimmus	Ruth Feld
Jackie Hughes	Pat & Nancy Kremer
Barb McBride (two-year)	Brenda Miller
Keith & Diane Oleson	Carole Permar
Paul & Karin Podhajsky	Roberta Tice (two-year)
Marge Wolfe (two-year)	



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First Presbyterian COVID-19 Safety Measures

Please use these practices to reduce the risk of COVID-19 infection for you and others.

- If you have been exposed to COVID-19 or have had a temperature in the last 10 days, please do not enter the church.
- Worship via the stream if you have any additional risk factors for COVID-19.
- A facemask over the nose and mouth is required in the church building.
- Social Distance (6 feet) is required from those not in your household.
- Avoid shaking hands and other close contact. Keep your coat with you.
- Singing - Do not sing or talk in a loud voice. Mouth the words or say them quietly.
- Offering - Place your offering in the plate in the narthex.
- Children - Please keep children with your family and help them to practice these safety measures.
- Restrooms
 - One person at a time in restrooms unless you are assisting family members.
 - Wash hands thoroughly
 - Use hand sanitizer if you must touch the door.
- Fellowship
 - The best practice is to visit outside in the parking lot.
 - If inside, practice social distancing and wear your mask.
- If you get sick with COVID-19 within 10 days of attending church, please contact the church office so we can advise others to watch for symptoms.
- These safety measures apply even if you have received a vaccination.

LEAVE ROOM FOR JESUS



Please sit 6 ft. apart

**WE'RE
IN THIS
TOGETHER!**



**FACE MASK
REQUIRED**

