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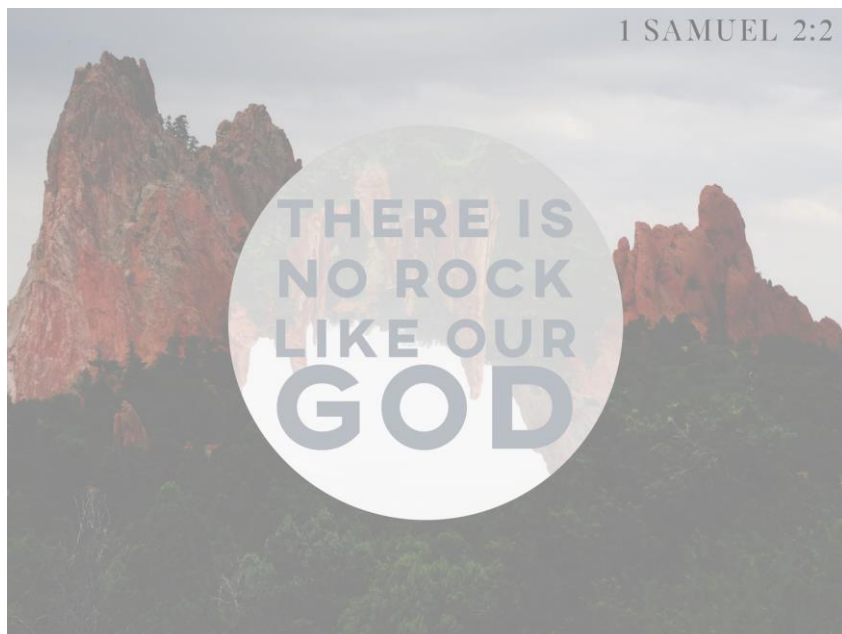
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Phone 641-753-5929

9:00 a.m.

March 3, 2024



**Did God Really Say
That?**



Those who are able are invited to stand.

PRELUDE

I Sing the Mighty Power of God

D. Paxton

CALL TO WORSHIP (Psalm 19:1-4)

Leader: The heavens declare the glory of God;

People: the skies proclaim the work of his hands.

Day after day they pour forth speech;

night after night they reveal knowledge.

They have no speech, they use no words;

no sound is heard from them.

Yet their voice goes out into all the earth,

their words to the ends of the world.

SONG OF DEVOTION

A moment to prepare our hearts for worship.

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

O Lord, our God, you are always more ready to give your good gifts to us than we are to seek them, and you are willing to give more than we desire or deserve. Help us so to seek that we may truly find, so to ask that we may joyfully receive, so to knock that the door of your mercy may be opened to us through Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.

- **GREETING**
- **SONGS OF PRAISE**

10,000 Reasons

We Fall Down

CALL TO CONFESSION

When we come into the holy presence of God, our own humanity is laid bare. When we stand in the living presence of truth, our own falsehood is revealed. People of God, let us acknowledge who we are and ask our ever-present God to forgive us.

SILENT PRAYER

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (based on Psalm 51:10-12)

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.

Unison: 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 through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS (1 John 1:5, 7)

This is the message we have heard from God and proclaim to you, that God is light and in God there is no darkness at all. If we walk in the light, as God is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin.

MORNING PRAYERS

Pastoral Prayer

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. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil for thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever, amen.

HYMN

#591 *Have Thine Own Way*

MINUTE FOR MISSIONS

Chad Hammar

OFFERING OUR GIFTS

Offertory *Jesus, Keep me Near the Cross*

Wm. Doane

- *Doxology*

- *And Blessing* (remain standing and hold hands)

SCRIPTURE READING: 1 Samuel 15:1-26 (p. 441)

SERMON: “Did God Really Say That?”

Pastor Bryan Kunz

- **COMMUNION HYMN**

#538 *You Are My All in All*

- **CONFESSION OF FAITH**

Nicene Creed

SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

LET US LIVE IN THE POWER OF CHRIST

SONG OF RESPONSE

#153 *Worthy of Worship*

LIFE OF THE CONGREGATION

- **BENEDICTION**
- **ORGAN RESPONSE**
- **POSTLUDE**

Joys and Concerns

- **Josh & Allison Grosvenor**, celebrating the birth of **Mabel** and for strength and healing as she is in the NICU
- **Jean Bower**, thankful for being on the road to recovery
- **The family of Dale Posusta**, Orlyn Langenbau's son-in-law, who died suddenly this week
- **The family of Fran Smith**, who died 2/19/2024

Continuing Joys and Concerns

- **LaVerne Paul, Carissa King, Marla Grossman, Linda Kauffman, Mike Sanderson, Reese Buschbom, Tedra Henze, Sue Pelong** – Bert Tice's sister, **Christy Hardacre** - Carolyn Wilkinson's daughter, **Mercedes Love, Yasuyo Smith, Reena Pearson, Sophie Attiogbe** continued recovery
- Peace in **Israel/Palestine, South Sudan, Ukraine**, and throughout the world
- **Missionaries** supported by First Presbyterian Church
- **Cobbie & Dessa Palm**, their ministry in the Philippines

Please pray for everyone on our list. Thank you for keeping us informed about joys and concerns. We'd rather get several calls than none. Phone the church at 753-5929 or e-mail Bryan@fpcmarshalltown.org
Please let us know if you'd like the **prayer chain** activated.

Worship Leader today: Valerie King

Next Sunday: Lee Wilkinson

Greeters today: Bill Eilers

Next Sunday: Steve & Doris Strand

Doorman & Greeter: Dave Freel

Deacons today: Paul & Karin Podhajsky

Next Sunday: Jim Grimmus & Ruth Feld

Fellowship Hosts: Greg & Suzanne Brown

Next Sunday: Jinita & Doug Boyd

Nursery today: Madi Stull & Terri Rottink

Next Sunday: Madi Stull & Bethany & Betsy Wirin

Cup Washers today: Jacob Jorgensen

Next Sunday: Valerie King

Donuts today: Josh & Allison Grosvenor

Next Sunday: Jacob Jorgensen

AV today: Diane Broshar

Next Sunday: Steve Anderson

Announcements

Altar flowers today are sponsored by Craig & Tedra Henze in celebration of their anniversary.

On the presbytery's prayer list for this week is First Presbyterian Church – State Center, and CRE Carol Tripp and CRE David Tripp.

Shawn & Nancy Paul will be here today for adult Sunday school.

'Guess Who's Coming to Dinner' is starting soon. Today is the last day to sign up. You can sign up to be an alternate also!

Wednesday Club is underway! People are still needed to provide snack. See Michelle or sign up on the clipboard if you are able to do so.



Quilting will start tomorrow, March 4th @ 9:00 a.m. in the Lower Lounge. It will continue each Monday in March. Bring a sack lunch and join us for fun and fellowship while we make baby quilts for Jonathan's House. No sewing skills required. Call Bonnie Bradbury at 752-3410 with questions.



Easter Extravaganza will be Tuesday, March 19 from 4:00 - 5:30 p.m. We would love for adult helpers to come and join the children in this event to help them experience the joy of the resurrection!

Mark your calendar! Scuba VBS will be here June 10-13th.



We would like to say **thank you** to everyone who steps forward when we need additional food items to make a gathering at our church a success. Be it a request for soups, desserts, or cookies you are always there for us. Thank you!

---M & I Committee

Calendar for This Week March 3 - 10, 2024

SUNDAY

3rd Sunday of Lent

- 8:40 AM Prayer – Conference Room
- 9:00 AM Worship
- 10:15 AM Sunday School – all ages
- 5:30 PM Youth Night

MONDAY

- 9:00 AM Quilters – Lower Lounge
- 6:00 PM M & I Committee – Fellowship Hall
- 6:00 PM Worship & Music – Conference Room
- 7:00 PM Missions & Evangelism – Lower Lounge

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

- 6:30 PM Bell Choir - Narthex
- 7:30 PM Choir
- 8:30 PM Praise Team

THURSDAY

- 8:30 AM Flapjacks – Lower Lounge

FRIDAY

Office Closed

SATURDAY

- 7:30 AM Men's Group – Fellowship Hall

NEXT SUNDAY

4th Sunday of Lent

- 8:40 AM Prayer – Conference Room
- 9:00 AM Worship
- 10:15 AM Sunday School – all ages

Members in mission, making a difference

Pastor
Interim Director of Youth & Discipleship
Secretary/Newsletter Editor
Organist
Pianist
Custodian
Nursery

Rev. Bryan Kunz
Carissa King
Michelle Wilkinson
Wynona Anderson
Marsha Bristley
Debbie Armstrong
Madi Stull

Session Elders

Steve Anderson
Tedra Henze
Valerie King
Anna Randall
Roger Schoell
Ross Turbiville

Greg Brown
Ashley Johnson
Tracy Ostrem
Michelle Ritter
John Simpson
Lee Wilkinson

Deacons

Wynona Anderson
Larry & Judy Erion
Jim Grimmius
Pat & Nancy Kremer
Paul & Karin Podhajsky
Karen Schoell
Marlene Snyder

Doug & Jinita Boyd
Ruth Feld
Pat & Mary Hemming
Barb McBride
Terri Rottink
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Church activities may be video recorded and livestreamed online.





Once again, we will dress the chancel for Easter. You may sponsor one or more of the Easter Lilies wrapped in gold foil that will be on display. The cost of each plant is **\$13.50**. You may pick up your plant any time after the 9:00 worship service Easter morning. **Please return this form with your check by Sunday, March 24, 2024.**

Check one:

_____ in memory of

_____ in honor of

_____ in celebration of

Given by: _____
