

First Presbyterian Church

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9:00 a.m.

June 13, 2021



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

PRELUDE *I Will Sing of My Redeemer*

J. McGranaham

LIFE OF THE CONGREGATION

SONG OF DEVOTION

Organ leads as we prepare our hearts for worship.

CALL TO WORSHIP

(Psalm 92)

Leader: It is good to praise the Lord and make music to your name, O Most High, to proclaim your love in the morning and your faithfulness at night.

People: For you make me glad by your deeds, O Lord. I sing for joy at the work of your hands.

Leader: How great are your works, O Lord, how profound your thoughts! You, O Lord, are exalted forever.

People: The Lord is upright. God is my Rock, and there is no wickedness in him.

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

Lord, we will sing your praises, we worship you. We will declare your glory to all who will hear and tell of your wondrous deeds. You made the heavens and earth, you reign above all, you are bigger than anything in this world. We know that you are more than the problems we're facing. We know you are with us through all our circumstances. You are our king and our salvation. Fill our hearts with your strength and peace. Amen.

- **HYMN OF PRAISE**

#147 *How Great Thou Art*

CALL TO CONFESSION

Leader: We often fail to walk the path of consistency. We don't practice what we preach. But we can come home to our commitment by confessing our sins and we are made whole again.

SILENT PRAYER

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Unison: Holy God, it's easy for us to say we praise you. We even go through the motions of worship. But our hearts can be far off. Draw us back to yourself as that is the place of safety and peace. Forgive our strange wanderings, our shallow thinking, and hurtful actions. Where we have broken trust with someone or with you, bring healing. Where we have ignored your word, bring us to our senses to do, say and think things that are noble and right. Thank you for your promise to forgive and give a new start. In Jesus' name, Amen.

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

Leader: The Scripture declares, God has said, "Never will I leave you; never will I forsake you." So we say with confidence, "The Lord is my helper; I will not be afraid."

- **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**

Forever
Refiner's Fire

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

OFFERING OUR GIFTS

The Call

Offertory *Take Time to Be Holy* G. Stebbins/L. Larson

- *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: Ecclesiastes 3:1-15 (p. 1037)

SERMON: “The Seasons of Our Lives”

Pastor Tom Bower

LET US LIVE IN THE POWER OF CHRIST

- **HYMN OF DEDICATION**

#786 *Count Your Blessings* (v. 1, 2, & 4)

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

Announcements

Lay leader today is Jon Rottink.

Altar flowers today given by Lee & Michelle Wilkinson in loving memory of Michelle's brother, Mark Wubben.

The deacons today are Paul & Karin Podhajsky.

On the presbytery's prayer list for this week the **honorably retired pastors** in the Presbytery of North Central Iowa (not currently serving churches).

We will begin passing the offering plate today. A collection plate will remain in the narthex at this time. You may still send your tithes and offerings to the church office at 101 S. Center Street, Marshalltown, IA 50158.

Newsletter articles are due June 20. Please send material to nancy@fpcmarshalltown.org.



VBS registration is now open! VBS is for children in preschool – through 4th grade (completed) and will be held Friday, July 23rd at Grimes Farm from 9:00 AM – 3:30 PM. Older children and youth who would like to help should also register at: <https://reg.planetreg.com/E6113263373500>



Volunteers are needed to help with VBS by leading groups and activities, making and serving lunch, and helping in the nursery. Some of our usual helpers are unable to help this year. Please consider what you can do and see Michelle or contact her at the church office.



Donations are needed for our all-original *God is Great* VBS. Everything is being created in-house this summer, with *Indescribable* and *God is Great* devotional books for kids by Louie Giglio as our guide. We need donations for t-shirts, craft kits, and journals. We are also collecting paper towel tubes. As we get closer to VBS we may have more specific items to borrow. Be watching the board!

Joys and Concerns

- **Jan Stubbs**, at Iowa River Hospice House
- **Marlene Snyder**, recovering from hip surgery at home

Continuing Joys and Concerns

- **Sophie Attiogbe**, in continued need of prayer
- **Nancy Diggins**, recovering at home
- **Hudson Boyd**, grandson of **Doug & Jinita Boyd**, is doing well. Let's continue to pray for him.
- **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 June 13 – June 20, 2021

SUNDAY

9:00 AM Worship – In person & online

MONDAY

TUESDAY

7:00 PM Session – Fellowship Hall

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

8:30 AM Flapjacks – Lower Lounge

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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