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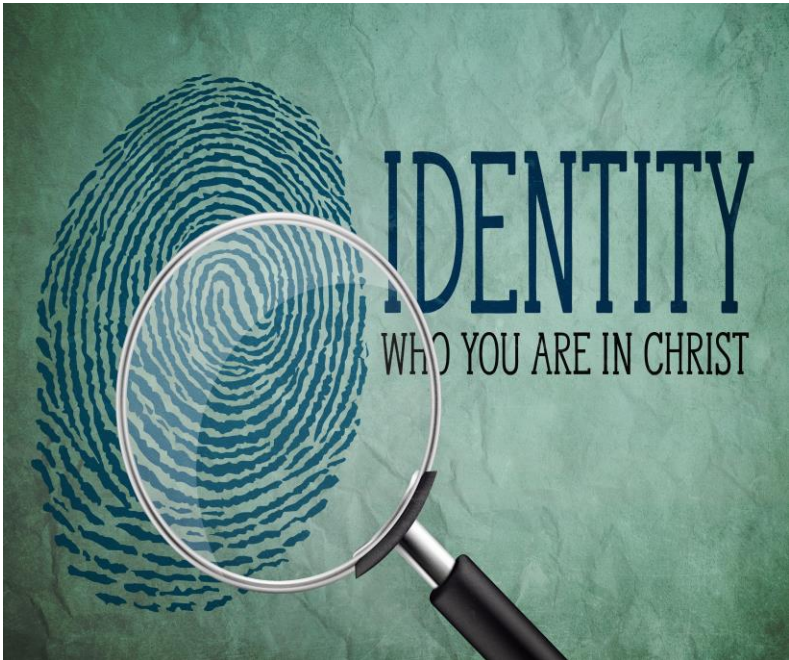
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Psalm 90 begins: “Lord, You have been our dwelling place in all generations.” A beloved hymn echoes: “O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come.” Welcome, as we worship God, our eternal home and shelter.

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

PRELUDE *Take My Life and Let It Be* H. Malan/Labenske

LIFE OF THE CONGREGATION

Moment of silence to prepare your hearts for worship

LET US WORSHIP GOD TOGETHER

- **CALL TO WORSHIP** (from Psalm 62)

Leader: My soul finds rest in God alone; my salvation comes from Him.

People: He alone is my rock and salvation; He is my fortress; I will never be shaken.

Leader: My salvation and honor depend on God; He is my mighty rock and refuge.

People: Trust in Him at all times, people; pour out your hearts to Him. For God is our refuge.

- **INVOCATION**

Leader: Almighty God, we are in awe of Your magnificent power displayed through the enter universe, for through You all things were made and have their being. We come before You with grateful hearts that long to worship only You, Lord, may we know the presence of the Holy Spirit here with us today. May we be open to Your leading, sensitive to Your speaking and alert to Your loving presence in our lives. In Jesus' name, Amen.

- **SONGS OF PRAISE** (screen)

Shine, Jesus, Shine

Holy Spirit (Living Breath of God)

CALL TO CONFESSION

Leader: We get so busy in our daily lives that we stumble and fail to walk in our Lord's steps. Let us come before Him and confess our sins, to be cleansed and set free again.

SILENT PRAYER

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Unison: Gracious God, we confess that we can be petty and irritable. We confess that we demand our own way a lot of the time. We confess that we put You on the shelf and try to do things in our own strength. You want us to receive Your strength. You want to give us Your wisdom. But we need to stop and listen. We need to surrender our will to Yours. So, we ask again for Your forgiveness. Again, and again!
Continue to work in our lives and grow us up to be more like Jesus. Thanks for Your patience. Thanks for Your love. In Jesus' name, Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: The Lord forgives those who humbly confess and truly believe the gospel. Since Jesus died for us, we have peace with God, to whom be praise and honor for ever. **Amen.**

- **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

- **HYMN OF REFLECTION** (hymnal & screen)
#654 *Change My Heart, O God*

CHILDREN'S SERMON

OFFERING OUR GIFTS

The Call
Offertory *Jesus, Lover of My Soul* J. Parry/Shackley

- *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 (vs. 1)
*Blest be the tie that binds, our hearts in Christian love;
The fellowship of kindred minds, is like to that above.*

SCRIPTURE READING: Ezekiel 11:17-20 OT pg. 1298

SCRIPTURE READING: II Corinthians 5:17-21 NT pg. 1799

SERMON: “Our Identity in Christ” Rev. Tom Bower

LET US LIVE IN THE POWER OF CHRIST

- **HYMN OF DEDICATION** (hymnal & screen)
#653 Whiter Than Snow
- **CHARGE & BENEDICTION**
- **ORGAN RESPONSE**
- **POSTLUDE**

Announcements November 15, 2020

Just as you excel in everything - in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in complete earnestness and in your love - see that you also excel in the grace of giving. 2 Corinthians 8:7

--Stewardship Committee

Welcome Rev. Tom Bower as he brings the message at **First Presbyterian Church** this morning.

Altar flowers were sponsored by **Ed Jackson** in loving memory of Mary Lou Jackson.

Stewardship Sunday will be next **Sunday, November 22**. **Please send in or bring your faith pledge card to the church office.**

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

Medicare Open Enrollment: Now through Dec. 7, is your time to see if you can find lower premiums and extra benefits. Look at all your health plan choices for 2021—including prescription drug plans and Medicare Advantage plans from private insurers. This year due to the COVID-19 pandemic, all counseling sessions will be done by phone—simply Call SHIIP for help comparing your options—641-754-5399 or e-mail shiip@iid.iowa.gov.

Operation Christmas Child boxes are due today. Barb McBride will be in the church today, Nov. 15, from 11am – 12pm to receive boxes. Donations may be made for a box by making the **check out to Samaritans Purse.**

Boxes need to be returned to the church by noon, Sunday, November 15.



Joys and Concerns

- **Josh & Allison Grosvenor**, proud parents of a baby girl, Vera Mae, born 11-11-2020
- **Rick Matney**, brother-in-law of **Jeff & Amy Drummer**, dealing with terminal cancer
- **Case Hegeman**, having an angiogram on his left leg for blocked arteries in Des Moines 11-19-2020
- **Bill Eilers**, foot surgery postponed for a few weeks

Continuing Joys and Concerns

- **Pastor Rich King**, at home recuperating from several strokes; doing therapy three times a week at On with Life
- **Jon Rottink**, recuperating from surgery
- **Ralph Ward**, at Glenwood recuperating from two fractures of his pelvis:
- **Hudson Boyd**, grandson of **Doug & Jinita Boyd**, had a stent inserted in his heart
- **Mavis Gray**, has gone to her daughter's home in Farmington, Iowa for a while
- **Barb Boeyink**, at Accura with health issues
- **John Bailey** treatments for cancer
- **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*.

Members in mission, making a difference

Transitional Pastor
Youth & Young Families Director
Office Manager/Newsletter Editor
CE Coordinator
Choir Director
Organist
Assistant Organist
Custodian
Assistant Custodian

Rev. Tom Bower
Jon Rottink
Nancy Diggins
Michelle Wilkinson
Valerie King
Wynona Anderson
Marla Grossman
Debbie Armstrong
Jan Faber

Session Elders

Wynona Anderson
Abra Banissan
Lynne Bovenmyer
Amy Drummer
Dave Freel
Pat Hemming
Angie Pietig
Heather Rottink

Doug Bacon
Gail Boliver (one-year)
Jenny Buschbom
Don Feld
Case Hegeman
Ron Kauffman
Richie Ritter

Deacons

Roger & Donita Anders
Doug & Jinita Boyd
Rhonda Buzbee (one-year)
Jackie Hughes
Barb McBride (two-year)
Carole Permar
Roberta Tice (two-year)

Tim & Deanna Bell
Sue Bryant
Ruth Feld
Susan Lawyer
Brenda Miller (one-year)
Barb Schrum (one-year)
Marge Wolfe (two-year)

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Calendar for This Week Nov. 15 – Nov. 22, 2020

SUNDAY

9:00 a.m.

Rev. Tom Bower Preaching Today

Worship – On-Line

MONDAY

5:00 p.m.

Pray for Pastor Rich as he recuperates from several strokes and having more tests

Finance Committee Meeting - Zoom

TUESDAY

10:00 a.m.

6:00 p.m.

7:00 p.m.

Nancy on Vacation during the day – Michelle out of the office today

Staff meeting

Deacons Meeting - Zoom

Session - Zoom

WEDNESDAY

4:30-5:30 p.m.

6:15 p.m.

7:00 p.m.

Nancy on Vacation – Michelle out of the office today

Wednesday Club Grab & Go

Family Night – Live Streamed

Church reopening Zoom meeting

THURSDAY

Pray for all Veterans

FRIDAY

Pray for the Nominations Committee as they look for new Elders & Deacons

Newsletter articles are due

SATURDAY

Pray for those who are affected by COVID-19 and their caregivers

NEXT SUNDAY

9:00 a.m.

Jon Rottink Preaching

Stewardship Sunday

Worship – On-Line

