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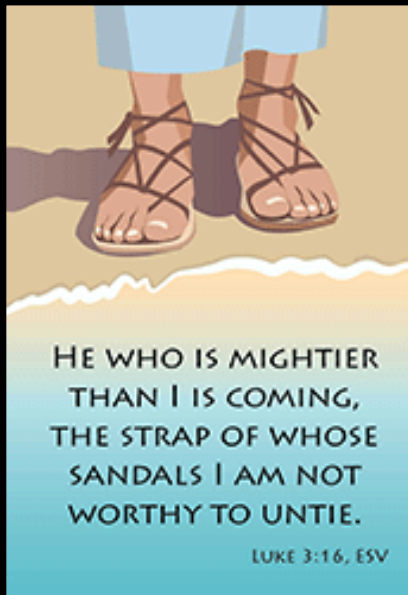
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9:00 a.m.

January 9, 2022



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

PRELUDE *Overture from Cantata No. 147*

J.S. Bach

CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 29)

Leader: The voice of the Lord is over the waters;

People: the God of glory thunders,

Leader: the Lord thunders over the mighty waters.

People: The voice of the Lord is powerful;

Leader: The voice of the Lord is majestic.

People: The voice of the Lord strikes with flashes of lightning.

Leader: The voice of the Lord shakes the desert; the Lord shakes the Desert of Kadesh.

People: The voice of the Lord twists the oaks and strips the forests bare.

Leader: And in his temple all cry, "Glory!" The Lord sits enthroned over the flood;

People: the Lord is enthroned as King forever.

Leader: The Lord gives strength to his people;

People: the Lord blesses his people with peace.

SONG OF DEVOTION

A moment to prepare our hearts for worship.

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

Lord, open us to the sea of your mercy, and water us with the full streams from the riches of your grace and the springs of your kindness. Make us children of quietness and heirs of peace; kindle in us the fire of your love and strengthen our weakness by your power as we become close to you and to each other. Amen.

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

*Our God
Goodness of God*

CALL TO CONFESSION

We cannot come before God unless we are first honest with ourselves about who we are, about the mistakes we make, and about how well or poorly we care for others. In this spirit, let us offer our prayers to God.

SILENT PRAYER

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Unison: Most gracious God, we confess to you and to one another that time after time we have entered your presence with countless prayers but with hearts that have been closed to your grace. Grant us the healing that comes from your presence through Jesus Christ, amen.

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS (Ezekiel 36:25-26)

I will sprinkle clean water upon you, and you shall be clean from your impurities and from all your idols. I will give you a new heart and put a new spirit in you; I will remove from you your heart of stone and give you a heart of flesh.

MORNING PRAYERS

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

HYMN

#633

Open Our Eyes, Lord

CHILDREN'S SERMON

OFFERING OUR GIFTS

(Please pass the friendship registers at this time)

Offertory

Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing

J. Wyeth/Labenske

- *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 and hold hands)

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

SCRIPTURE READING: Luke 3:1-22 (p.1593)

SERMON: “Preparing the way for the Lord”

Pastor Bryan Kunz

LET US LIVE IN THE POWER OF CHRIST

SONG OF RESPONSE

#596 *I Surrender All* (v. 1, 3, & 4)

- **LIFE OF THE CONGREGATION**
- **BENEDICTION**
- **ORGAN RESPONSE**
- **POSTLUDE**

Joys and Concerns

- **Frances Anderson**, Wynona Anderson's mother, recovering from surgery
- **The family of Dorothy Hillis**, who died December 26, 2021
- **Carolyn Wilkinson's daughter, Christy**, who has Parkinson's

Continuing Joys and Concerns

- **Linda Allen, Mavis Gray, Marlene Snyder, Deanna Adkins, Sophie Attiogbe** continued recovery
- **All those affected in any way by the COVID-19 virus**
- **Missionaries** supported by First Presbyterian Church
- **House of Compassion** and their ministries in Marshalltown

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

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

Worship Leader today: Mick DuBois

Next Sunday: _____

Greeters today: Bill Eilers

Next Sunday: _____

Deacons today: Jackie Hughes & Bert Tice

Next Sunday: Doug & Jinita Boyd & Ruth Feld

Fellowship Hosts: _____

Next Sunday: CHILI COOK-OFF

Nursery today: Deb Williams & Barb Hawkins

Next Sunday: Deb Williams & Bethany & Betsy Wirin

Cup Washers today: _____

Next Sunday: CHILI COOK-OFF

Donuts today: Don & Ruth Feld

Next Sunday: CHILI COOK-OFF

AV Tech: Diane Broshar

Next Sunday: Bill Lawyer

Announcements

Altar flowers today are sponsored by Matt & Diane Broshar in honor of Diane's father, Robert Bowlin.

On the presbytery's prayer list for this week is the **First Presbyterian Church – Maxwell**, and CRE Adrian McMullen.



The 2021 Annual Meeting of the First Presbyterian Church of Marshalltown is scheduled for Sunday, **January 16, 2021**, at 10:00 a.m. in-person and via Zoom. Sunday school will start when the meeting ends, with the Chili Cook-off to follow.



Annual reports for 2021 are due in the office **TODAY**. The Stated Annual Meeting of the Congregation will be next Sunday, January 16, 2022.



Get out your favorite chili recipe and enter it in the Chili Cook-off for some fun competition. You might get to go home with the prized trophy! Donations will be taken that day for our youth mission trip to Honduras this summer. Please join us in a tasting of some of the best chilis around and stay for a lunch of chili, a vegetable chili, chicken noodle soup, and desserts. There is a sign-up sheet in the narthex for entering your chili in the cook-off and for food donations needed.



This summer we will be sending a mission team to Honduras to support the ministry of Shawn and Nancy Paul. While this trip is an opportunity for our high school students to experience missions in a different culture, we are hoping for some adults to join them to make up a group of 10-12 people. Those who go on the trip will help determine the calendar, but the plan is to go for 7-9 days in July or August. If you are interested, you can sign up on the sheet in the back of the church. If you have any questions, talk to Amy Drummer, Dave Freel, or Case Hegeman.

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 Jan. 9 - 16, 2022

SUNDAY

9:00 AM Worship – In person and online
10:15 AM Sunday school – all ages
5:30 PM Youth Night – Gathering Place
HS Youth

MONDAY

TUESDAY

5:30 PM Property Committee

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

8:30 AM Flapjacks

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

7:30 AM Men's Group – Fellowship Hall & Zoom

NEXT SUNDAY

9:00 AM Worship – In person and online
10:00 AM Annual Meeting of the Congregation
10:30 AM Sunday school
11:30 AM Chili Cook-off

Members in mission, making a difference

Pastor
Secretary/Newsletter Editor
Organist
Assistant Organist
Custodian
Nursery

Rev. Bryan Kunz
Michelle Wilkinson
Wynona Anderson
Marla Grossman
Debbie Armstrong
Deb Williams

Session Elders

Wynona Anderson
Jenny Buschbom
Doug Cooper
Sarah Erikson
Dave Freel
Pat Hemming
Ashley Johnson
Angie Pietig

Lynne Bovenmyer
Terry Buzbee
Amy Drummer
Don Feld
Case Hegeman
Tedra Henze
Ron Kauffman

Deacons

Tim & Deanna Bell
Jim Grimmus
Jackie Hughes
Barb McBride (two-year)
Keith & Diane Oleson
Paul & Karin Podhajsky
Marge Wolfe (two-year)

Doug & Jinita Boyd
Ruth Feld
Pat & Nancy Kremer
Brenda Miller
Carole Permar
Roberta Tice (two-year)

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