

First
Presbyterian
Church

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Phone 641-753-5929

9:00 a.m.

October 11, 2020

**BEWARE
OF
SELF-PITY**

“O Lord...we will exalt You, we will praise Your Name”
(Isaiah 25:1, NRSV). Welcome, friends, as we gather to
exalt and praise God.

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

PRELUDE *Praise Him! Praise Him!* C. Allen/McDonald

LIFE OF THE CONGREGATION

Moment of silence to prepare your hearts for worship

LET US WORSHIP GOD TOGETHER

- **CALL TO WORSHIP** (from Psalm 106)

Leader: Give thanks to the Lord, for the Lord is good. God's love endures forever. Who can proclaim the mighty acts of the Lord or fully declare His praise?

People: Blessed are they who maintain justice, who constantly do what is right.

Leader: Remember me, O Lord, when You show favor to Your people, come to my aid when You save them.

People: Save us, O Lord our God, that we may give thanks for Your Holy Name. Praise be to the Lord, the God of Israel, from everlasting to everlasting. Let all the people say, "Amen. Praise the Lord."

- **INVOCATION**

Leader: Dear Lord, thank you for Your grace and strength that have seen us through this past week. Thank you for being our refuge and fortress in times of trouble. Thank you for being the One we can always turn to and rely on. You are always so faithful to fulfill Your promises. We are thankful and grateful for all You do. And, Lord, we want You to know that. You do that. But we need to say it. And now we invite Your presence into our worship experience. In Jesus' name, Amen.

- **SONG OF PRAISE** (screen)

Let the Redeemed

You Are My King (Amazing Love)

CALL TO CONFESSION

Leader: Let us come before the Lord and humbly confess our sins.

SILENT PRAYER

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Unison: Merciful God, You forgive all who confess and turn to You. We humbly ask Your mercy. We have not loved You with a pure heart, nor have we loved our neighbor as ourselves. We have not loved kindness or walked humbly with You. Have mercy on us, O God. In Your great compassion, cleanse us from our sins. Create in us a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within us. Restore to us the joy of Your salvation and sustain us with Your bountiful Spirit. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: The Bible declares, “If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.” Believe this good news!

- **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)

#436 *Freely, Freely*

CHILDREN’S SERMON

OFFERING OUR GIFTS

The Call

Offertory *O Love the Will Not Let Me Go* Albert Peace

- ***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: I Kings 19:3-5

OT pg. 559

SCRIPTURE READING: Matthew 18:21-35

NT pg. 1527

SERMON: “Beware of Self-Pity”

Rev. Jean Bower

LET US LIVE IN THE POWER OF CHRIST

- **HYMN OF DEDICATION** (hymnal & screen)
#551 O to Be like Thee!
- **CHARGE & BENEDICTION**
- **ORGAN RESPONSE**
- **POSTLUDE**

Announcements October 11, 2020

With God, genuine living means loosening our grip on what we have and giving freely.

--Stewardship Committee

Welcome Jean Bower as she brings the message at **First Presbyterian Church** this morning.

The **altar flowers** were sponsored by **Betty Jacobs** and **Loren Vogt** in loving memory of John Jacobs and Sharon Vogt.

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

Operation Christmas Child



It is time to consider filling shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child through mid-November. Boxes are available in the church foyer. They can be picked up at the church any weekday from 8-4 (please wear a mask when entering the church). The church will be closed during the noon hour (12-1p.m.). **Barb McBride will be in the church each Sunday from October 4, to November 15, from 11am – 12pm to hand out or receive boxes.** Donations may be made for a box by making the **check out to Samaritans Purse.**

See more information in the Sept./Oct. newsletter. If you would like to pick up a hard copy of the newsletter at the church, please contact the church office.

Joys and Concerns

Continuing Joys and Concerns

- **Pastor Rich King**, at home recuperating from several strokes; doing therapy three times a week at On with Life
- **Carissa King**, having problems with her eye
- **Jon Rottink**, recuperating from surgery Sept. 24, to make repairs to the surgery he had in January
- **Char McGrew**, recuperating from sepsis as a result of a serious UTI
- **Ralph Ward**, at Glenwood recuperating from two fractures of his pelvis:
- **Hudson Boyd**, grandson of **Doug & Jinita Boyd**, heart issues
- **Mavis Gray**, recuperating at Accura from heart issues
- **Barb Boeyink**, recuperating at Accura with health issues
- **Edith Rankin**, at home recuperating from a broken hip
- **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

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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

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

Rev. Dr. Richard A. King
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 Oct. 11, - Oct. 18, 2020

SUNDAY

9:00 a.m.

Jean Bower Preaching Today

Worship – On-Line

MONDAY

Pray for Pastor Rich as he recuperates from several strokes

TUESDAY

10:00 a.m.

5:30 p.m.

Thank God for the beauty of nature around us

Staff meeting

A & P Committee Meeting - Zoom

WEDNESDAY

4:30-5:30 p.m.

7:00 p.m.

Pray for the leaders and volunteers here at First Presbyterian Church

Wednesday Club Grab & Go

Church reopening Zoom meeting

THURSDAY

Pray for safety for all those who are harvesting the crops

FRIDAY

Thank God for the beautiful, warm, fall weather

SATURDAY

Pray for guidance for the committee working to reopen the church safely

NEXT SUNDAY

9:00 a.m.

Rev. Tom Bower Preaches

Worship – On-Line

