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9:00 a.m.

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*Learning to Follow
God Again*

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

PRELUDE *Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise* arr. M. Bober

CALL TO WORSHIP (From Psalm 1)

Leader: Happy are those who do not follow the advice of the wicked,

People: or take the path that sinners tread, or sit in the seat of scoffers;

Leader: but their delight is in the law of the LORD,

People: and on his law they meditate day and night.

Leader: They are like trees planted by streams of water, which yield their fruit in its season, and their leaves do not wither.

People: In all that they do, they prosper. For the LORD watches over the way of the righteous.

SONG OF DEVOTION

A moment to prepare our hearts for worship.

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

God of all faithfulness, you have opened the gate of mercy for your people and are always ready to welcome those who turn to you. Look on us in compassion, that we may gladly respond to your love and faithfully walk in your way through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

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

*A Thousand Generations
Jesus Strong and Kind*

CALL TO CONFESSION

God's Word assures us: If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he who is faithful and just will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all

unrighteousness. In humility and faith let us confess our sin to God.

SILENT PRAYER

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Unison: Eternal and merciful God, you have loved us with a love beyond our understanding, and you have set us on paths of righteousness for your name's sake. Yet we have strayed from your way; we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed. Grant us now, the grace to die daily to sin, and to rise daily to new life in Christ. Amen.

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS (Colossians 2:13-14)

When you were dead in your sins and in the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made you alive with Christ. He forgave us all our sins, having canceled the charge of our legal indebtedness, which stood against us and condemned us; he has taken it away, nailing it to the cross.

MORNING PRAYERS

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

HYMN

568 *May the Mind of Christ, My Savior* (v. 1 – 4)

CHILDREN'S SERMON

OFFERING OUR GIFTS

(Please pass the friendship registers at this time)

Offertory *All the Way My Savior Leads Me*

R. Lowry/A. Mason

- *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: Nehemiah 8 (p. 761)

SERMON: “Nehemiah: Learning to Follow God Again”
Pastor Bryan Kunz

LET US LIVE IN THE POWER OF CHRIST

- **SONG OF RESPONSE**
#542 *My Life is in You, Lord*
- **LIFE OF THE CONGREGATION**
- **BENEDICTION**
- **ORGAN RESPONSE**
- **POSTLUDE**

**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*.

Joys and Concerns

- **Marlene Snyder**, recovering from hip surgery
- **Doug Cooper**, recovering from hip replacement surgery
- **Bill Eilers**, having a stent placed Monday
- **Susan Lawyer**, as she recovers at home
- **Donna Smith**, who is recovering from a heart attack
- **Cathy Pearson**, who is recovering from congestive heart failure
- **Families who are watching loved ones decline rapidly**
- **Mercedes Love**, who is hospitalized with mental health concerns

Continuing Joys and Concerns

- **Mavis Gray, Frances Anderson, Christy - Carolyn Wilkinson's daughter, Deanna Adkins, Sophie Attiogbe** continued recovery
- **Anastasia King**, deployed on the USS Abraham Lincoln
- **All those affected in any way by the COVID-19 virus**
- **Missionaries** supported by First Presbyterian Church
- **Marshalltown Christian School**, its mission to provide Christ-centered education in the Marshalltown community.

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.

Worship Leader today: Terri Rottink
Next Sunday: Bethany Wirin
Greeters today: Garry & Terri Rottink
Next Sunday: Bill Eilers
Deacons today: Keith & Diane Oleson
Next Sunday: Tim & Deanna Bell
Fellowship Hosts: BREAKFAST
Next Sunday: Carole Permar
Nursery today: Deb Williams & Michelle Wilkinson
Next Sunday: Deb Williams & _____
Cup Washers today: BREAKFAST
Next Sunday: Roger Schoell
Donuts today: BREAKFAST
Next Sunday: Greg & Suzanne Brown
AV Tech: Diane Broshar
Next Sunday: Bill Lawyer

Announcements

Altar flowers today are sponsored by Greg & Suzanne Brown in celebration of God's gift of love.

On the presbytery's prayer list for this week is **First Presbyterian Church** – Fort Dodge, and Rev. Dr. Austin Hill and Rev. Sara Hill.



Join us for breakfast this morning in Fellowship Hall at 10:15 a.m. following the worship service. Sausage egg bake, plain eggs, and fruit are on the menu.



VBS is coming! Mark the evenings of July 18-21 on your calendar so you don't miss out!

Sarah Circle will meet next Tuesday, February 15 at 9:15 pm in the Lower Lounge. Jean Bower and Barb McBride will be our hostesses. Barb M. will also give the devotion. Carter Strand will update us on the CAR orphanage. Everyone is welcome.



Camp scholarships are available for attending any Christian summer camp. To apply contact the office. If you have questions, talk to Pastor Bryan.

Calendar for This Week Feb. 13 - 20, 2022

SUNDAY

9:00 AM Worship – In person and online
10:15 AM Breakfast

MONDAY

TUESDAY

9:15 AM Sarah Circle – Lower Lounge
7:00 PM Session – Fellowship Hall

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

8:30 AM Flapjacks
2:00 PM FPC serves @ House of Compassion

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

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

NEXT 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 – Lower Lounge

Members in mission, making a difference

Pastor
Secretary/Newsletter Editor
Organist
Pianist
Custodian
Nursery

Rev. Bryan Kunz
Michelle Wilkinson
Wynona Anderson
Marsha Bristley
Debbie Armstrong
Deb Williams

Session Elders

Steve Anderson
Terry Buzbee
Amy Drummer
Don Feld
Pat Hemming
Ashley Johnson

Greg Brown
Doug Cooper
Sarah Erikson
Dave Freel
Tedra Henze
Angie Pietig

Deacons

Tim & Deanna Bell
Jim Grimmus
Jackie Hughes
Barb McBride
Keith & Diane Oleson
Paul & Karin Podhajsky
Roberta Tice

Doug & Jinita Boyd
Ruth Feld
Pat & Nancy Kremer
Brenda Miller
Carole Permar
Terri Rottink

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