

# First Presbyterian Church

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**9:00 a.m.**

**February 14, 2021**



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

PRELUDE     *Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Sky*             *Johann Werner*

## LIFE OF THE CONGREGATION

**Organ leads as we prepare our hearts for worship.**

- **CALL TO WORSHIP** (from Psalm 25)

Leader: To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul; in you I trust, O my God.

**People: Show me your ways, O Lord, teach me your paths.**

**Guide me in your truth and teach me, for you are God my Savior, and my hope is in you all day long.**

Leader: All the ways of the Lord are loving and faithful. My eyes are ever on the Lord, for only he will release my feet from the snare.

**People: Turn to me and be gracious to me; guard my life for I take refuge in you. May integrity and uprightness protect me, because my hope is in you.**

## INVOCATION

Leader: Holy God, with mountains of ideas and opinions bombarding us, and lists of great concerns occupying our minds, and various emotions tugging at our hearts, we come to you. We come to worship and bow down. We need the “time out” from the swirl of life – the privilege of being in your presence. Thank you for inviting us and receiving us. May we be encouraged and strengthened as we are surrounded by your love and your Word. In Jesus’ name, Amen.

## SONGS OF PRAISE

*Sing Hallelujah to the Lord (sing twice)*

*Shine Jesus, Shine*

## CALL TO CONFESSION

Leader: Our need for cleansing and forgiveness never ends. And so we are privileged to come again humbly before the Lord and confess our sins.

## **SILENT PRAYER**

### **PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**Unison: Gracious God, we so often stumble and fall off the pathway of following you. And we may never have intended to do that – but it happens. So human we are! And you know us. And you love us. And you don't give up on us. Forgive our sins and grant a new start. It's a new day, a new moment – and with your cleansing power, we are re-energized to be light in darkness, gentle but strong in a mixed up and violent world. It is an honor to be called your children – even your friend. Help us to walk in your ways and show your life through our lives. In Jesus' name, Amen.**

### **DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS**

Leader: “God did not send his son to condemn the world, but that the world through him might be saved.”

(John 3: 17) Believe the good news of the gospel and rejoice in your salvation.

- **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**

#43 *All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name* (v. 1, 3, & 4)



## Announcements

**Lay leader** today is Amy Drummer.

**Altar flowers** are given by Meg Sponseller in loving memory of Lou Sponseller.

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



**Pictures needed!** Thank you to everyone who has sent in pictures. It's not too late to help us celebrate Pastor Rich King's 20 years of ministry at First Pres by sending pictures of him to [michelle@fpcmarshalltown.org](mailto:michelle@fpcmarshalltown.org). Pictures taken before 2014 are especially needed. Call the church office and talk to Michelle if you have questions or need help. Photos are needed by February 15<sup>th</sup>.



If you have any of the church's flower vases that you have been holding onto since the pandemic began, please call church to arrange a time to return them. We are running short of the smaller diameter ones.

You may sign up to give altar flowers in 2021 by calling the church office or emailing [michelle@fpcmarshalltown.org](mailto:michelle@fpcmarshalltown.org). March and April dates are still available.



Pray for **First Presbyterian Church**, Fort Dodge, IA, and Rev. Dr. Austin Hill, Rev. Sara Hill, and Rev. Rebecca Dix.

**Deacons today** are Paul & Karin Podhajsky.

## Joys and Concerns

- **Bonnie Sievers**, recuperating from a broken pelvis at Grandview
- **Irene Sheeler**, in the hospital in Indiana following surgery
- **Audrey Bailey and family**, grieving the death of John, 1/28/2021
- **Barb Dittmer**, Valerie King's mother, recovering from surgery & complications
- **Sophie Attiobgé**, hospitalized in Iowa City

## Continuing Joys and Concerns

- **Mercedes Love**, at home with mental health struggles
- **Gary**, Wynona Anderson's brother, recovering from covid-19
- **Nancy Diggins**, at home with walking pneumonia & recovering from covid-19
- **Pastor Rich King**, doing therapy following several strokes
- **Hudson Boyd**, grandson of **Doug & Jinita Boyd**, health issues
- **Carolyn Bell**, at Glenwood recovering from a broken pelvis
- **Barb Boeyink**, at Accura with health issues
- **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*.

## **Calendar for This Week Feb. 14 - Feb. 20, 2021**

### **SUNDAY**

9:00 AM Worship – On-Line

### **MONDAY**

6:00 PM Finance Committee

### **TUESDAY**

10:00 AM Staff meeting

7:00 PM Session

### **WEDNESDAY**

### **THURSDAY**

2:00 PM FPC serves at House of Compassion

7:00 PM PNC – Fellowship Hall

### **FRIDAY**

### **SATURDAY**

8:00 AM Men's Group -Zoom

### **NEXT SUNDAY**

9:00 AM Worship – On-Line

## *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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# **When we return to in-person worship, you will need to follow these guidelines:**

## **First Presbyterian COVID Safety Measures**

Please use these practices to reduce the risk of COVID-19 infection for you and others.

- If you have been exposed to COVID-19 or have had a temperature in the last 10 days, please do not enter the church.
- Worship via the stream if you have any additional risk factors for COVID-19.
- **Facemask** over the nose and mouth is required in the church building.
- **Social Distance** (6 feet) is required from those not in your household. Avoid shaking hands and other close contact.
- **Singing** - Do not sing or talk in a loud voice. Mouth the words or say them quietly.
- **Offering** - Place your offering in the plate in the narthex.
- **Children** - Please keep children with your family and help them to practice these safety measures.
- **Restrooms**
  - One person at a time in restrooms unless you are assisting family members.
  - Wash hands thoroughly
  - Use hand sanitizer if you must touch the door.
- **Fellowship**
  - The best practice is to visit outside in the parking lot.
  - If inside, practice social distancing and wear your mask.
- **If you get sick** with COVID-19 within 10 days of attending church, please contact the church office so we can advise others to watch for symptoms.