

First Presbyterian Church

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9:00 a.m.

May 16, 2021



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

PRELUDE *Hail the Day that Sees Him Rise* R. Williams/Berry

LIFE OF THE CONGREGATION

SONG OF DEVOTION

Organ leads as we prepare our hearts for worship.

CALL TO WORSHIP

(Psalm 1)

Leader: Blessed is the one who does not walk in the counsel of the wicked or stand in the way of sinners or sit in the seat of mockers.

People: But his delight is in the law of the Lord, and on God's law he meditates day and night.

Leader: He is like a tree planted by streams of water, which yields its fruit in season and whose leaf does not wither. Whatever he does prospers.

People: The Lord watches over the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked will perish.

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

Holy God, your word is a lamp to our feet, a light to our path. And while we hear the promise that you watch over the righteous, we are aware that we believers have no immunity from the pain and injustices of the world. But we have the assurance that your presence goes with us and you work good in our circumstances. Help us now, in this special time together to soak in your glory and be renewed and energized. We are your people. By your grace, we are saved and kept safe. In Jesus' name, Amen.

- **HYMN OF PRAISE**

#43 *All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name*

CALL TO CONFESSION

Leader: We often fail to walk the path of consistency. We don't practice what we preach. But we can come home to our commitment by confessing our sins and we are made whole again.

SILENT PRAYER

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Unison: Holy God, forgive us for squandering opportunities. Rather than letting our challenges help us grow, we just complain. Rather than listening deeply to other's ideas, we lock ourselves more tightly into our prejudices. Rather than surrendering our failures to you with humility, we become more defensive about them. Rather than appreciating the sunshine, we grumble about the drabness of the overcast. We hear you call us onward, forward, but we don't see much change when we look in the mirror. Forgive us. Thank you for not giving up on us, holy God. In Jesus' name, Amen.

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

Leader: The Scripture declares, God has said, "Never will I leave you; never will I forsake you." So we say with confidence, "The Lord is my helper; I will not be afraid."

- **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

- **SONGS OF PRAISE**

#191 *Father I Adore You*
Behold Our God

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

OFFERING OUR GIFTS

The Call

Offertory *What A Friend We Have In Jesus*

C. Converse/arr. Patricia Cota

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

SCRIPTURE READING OT: Isaiah 43:1-7

SCRIPTURE READING NT: Luke 3:15-18; 21-22

SERMON: “Baptism of the Heart” Pastor Tom Bower

LET US LIVE IN THE POWER OF CHRIST

- **HYMN OF DEDICATION**
#501 *Now I Belong to Jesus*
- **BENEDICTION**
- **ORGAN RESPONSE**
- **POSTLUDE**

Announcements

Lay leader today is Mary Hemming.

Altar flowers today given by Orlyn & Doris Langenbau in celebration of their 22nd wedding anniversary.

The deacons today are Jackie Hughes & Bert Tice.

On the presbytery's prayer list for this week is **First Presbyterian Church, Greene**, and Rev. Joan Thomas.



There will be a Congregational Meeting on Sunday, May 23rd following worship at 10:15AM. The purpose will be to approve the call of the new pastor. Church members may participate in person or through Zoom.

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

Altar flower sign-up is ongoing. The first available Sunday is June 6, and most summer Sundays are still available.



You are invited to join us in celebrating Pastor Rich King's ministry at First Presbyterian Church and beyond on **Sunday, June 6th** at the church. The celebration will be from 1:00PM – 4:00PM with the first hour being drive thru greetings in the parking lot.

A receiving line in the church will begin at 2:00PM. The program will be at 3:30PM in the Sanctuary and will also be live streamed on the First Presbyterian Marshalltown Facebook page.

You can still contribute to our **video tribute to Pastor Rich**. Use your cell phone to record a tribute or memory. You may also write your memory or tribute. Send your video or written tribute to michelle@fpcmarshalltown.org no later than **Friday, May 28th**. The remembrances will be shared at our celebration of Pastor Rich's ministry. Due to time constraints, not all submissions will be shared during the celebration, but all will be given to him so he has a lasting keepsake of our love.



Joys and Concerns

- **Marvin Hawkins**, undergoing chemotherapy for liver cancer
- **Jan Stubbs**, health concerns
- **Sue Turbiville**, recovering from knee replacement at home
- **Sophie Attiobé**, hospitalized in Iowa City

Continuing Joys and Concerns

- **Raegan Buschbom**, recovering from a broken leg
- **Jim Avise**, taking radiation and chemotherapy treatments
- **Mavis Gray**, recovering at Oakview in Conrad
- **Marlene Snyder**, recovering at home from hip surgery
- **Nancy Diggins**, recovering at home
- **Hudson Boyd**, grandson of **Doug & Jinita Boyd**, is doing well. Let's continue to pray for him.
- **Pastor Rich King**, continuing recovery
- **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 May 16 – May 22, 2021

SUNDAY

9:00 AM Worship – In person & online
10:15 AM Sunday school - Zoom

MONDAY

Michelle out of office

TUESDAY

6:00 PM Deacons – Fellowship Hall
7:00 PM Session – Fellowship Hall

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

2:00 PM First Pres @ House of Compassion
7:30 PM Celebration Planning Committee

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

8:00 AM Men's Group – Zoom

NEXT SUNDAY

9:00 AM Worship – In person and online
10:15 AM Congregational Meeting – in person & on Zoom

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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