IN THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

FOLLOWING THE SERVICE this morning, please join us for a brief "church chat" featuring the shared worship with WPC this summer. Come with questions, concerns, suggestions, and feedback. Pastor Stephanie and church leadership look forward to chatting with you!

SHARED SUMMER WORSHIP - The Sessions of First and Westminster are excited to be coming together for a summer of shared worship. The two churches will worship together Sundays at 9:30am alternating locations each week. We look forward to being hosts for worship and communion for the first week, Sunday, June 2. A schedule of worship locations will be emailed weekly with bulletins. Printed copies are available at the back of the sanctuary.

ADDITIONAL SUMMER PARKING has been gracious shared with us by our neighbors at Behr Funeral Home, located at the corner of 15th and Main Streets. Enjoy a peaceful walk across Jackson Park before and after worship, and help make room for additional worship attendees throughout the summer.

CALLING ALL GARDENERS! Lend a hand to the Mission Gardens at WPC. They have a garden on the church campus plus 3 other plots at the homes of members. Each year the gardens harvest around 1,500 lbs. of vegetables which are donated to the Dubuque Food Pantry. Volunteers are needed all summer long for planting, weeding, watering and harvesting. A weekly email goes out listing the volunteer needs for the week. To get on the list contact Marsha Wilfong at mwilfong62hr@hotmail.com.

CREATOR'S CAMP IS BACK! This time with a 3-day church music camp called "Summer Sounds." Kids will spend time doing theater, playing music, singing, playing games, and putting together a show! It is open to kids in Kindergarten - 6th grade (Fall of 2024) and will be held at St. Luke's UMC from July 1st-3rd, 9 AM – 2 PM, with a performance on Wednesday, July 3rd at 3 PM. Sign-up is REQUIRED. There is a recommended donation of \$25 per child (for families with more than 2 kids, there is a cap amount of \$50 per family). Sign up at stlukesdbq.org/kids.

PASTOR STEPHANIE will be on vacation Thursday, May 23rd through Monday, May 26th. In case of emergency pastoral needs, please contact Dani Postma on her cell: 563-235-9015.

HAVE NEWS TO SHARE? A summer newsletter is being prepared and will be sent out before the end of May. Send announcements, stories, calendar items, etc. to firstpresdbq@gmail.com by Monday, May 20 for inclusion in the newsletter.

WELCOME TO FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

We welcome you to this worship service. If you are a guest, please fill out a visitor's card in the pew rack and place it in the offering plate. We would love to greet you by name. Nursery care is located in the basement, provided for children through age five.

THE WEEK IN BRIEF

(events at FPC unless noted)

Sun. May 19
Pentecost Sunday

10:15am Worship:
Rev. Stephanie Ells, preaching
11:15am "Church Chat" following worship

Newsletter deadline, send to
firstpresdbq@gmail.com

Sun. May 26
Trinity Sunday

10:15am Worship:
Elder Scott McCaw, preaching
1:30pm Bethany Home Worship

GIVING

To support the mission and ministry of our church, we need \$14,930 per month. Offerings received this month through April 28 totaled \$8,763.

- Offerings Year to Date through April 28 \$35,755
- Expenses Year to Date through April 28 \$52,722

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Deacon of the Month of May: DeDee Cosgrove
Nursery Attendants: Florence Siefker, Brooklyn Neyen
Preacher: Rev. Stephanie Ells
Liturgist: Mark Ward

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Pastor's Office Hours: 9:00am-1:00pm, Tuesday and Thursday **Pastor's Contact:** 507-227-8537 or fpcdbq.pastor@gmail.com

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May 19, 2024 Pentecost

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

"O For a Thousand Tongues to Speak"

Pethel

FOR PRAYER AND REFLECTION

Dear God, what a day of festivity, when dreams and visions became real, when inspiration and transformation became real, when language was no barrier, and your welcome extended to all. So we say: Come, Holy Spirit.

OPENING PRAYER

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Come, Holy Spirit. Inspire our hearts with your fiery presence! Let your flame burn within us, stirring us to action.

Come, Holy Spirit. Energize our lives to work for God.

Let your wind of hope swirl around us, lifting and moving us from complacency.

Come, Holy Spirit. Pour your blessing on us.

Let your presence challenge us to proclaim God's presence and love in everything we say and do.

Amen.

*HYMN OF PRAISE #332

"Let Every Christian Pray"

Laudes Domini

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Forgive our hesitant witness and our complacent spirits. Heal our fears and our wounds. Help us to be agents of healing and hope for others. Challenge and inspire us to overcome our feelings of inadequacy, and remind us that you have called us beloved and have given us what we need to proclaim your Good News. Flame up our hearts! Make us so joyful that we find it difficult to sit back and watch. In Jesus' Name, we pray. Amen.

SILENT CONFESSION

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

*GLORIA PATRI #734

*PASSING OF THE PEACE**

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

CHOIR ANTHEM

"With All My Heart" Joel Raney

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Joel 2:23-32 p. 1416

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Acts 1:14, 2:1-8, 14-18 p. 1691

Townsend and Getty

SERMON "Pentecost: Your Children Will Prophesy"

***SONG OF RESPONSE**

"Holy Spirit"
Holy Spirit living Breath of God
Breathe new life into my willing soul
Let the presence of the risen Lord
Come renew my heart and make me whole

Cause Your word to come alive in me Give me faith for what I cannot see Give me passion for Your purity Holy Spirit breathe new life in me

Holy Spirit come abide within
May Your joy be seen in all I do
Love enough to cover ev'ry sin
In each thought and deed and attitude

Kindness to the greatest and the least Gentleness that sows the path of peace Turn my strivings into works of grace Breath of God show Christ in all I do

Holy Spirit from creation's birth
Giving life to all that God has made
Show Your power once again on earth
Cause Your church to hunger for Your ways

Let the fragrance of our pray'rs arise Lead us on the road of sacrifice That in unity the face of Christ May be clear for all the world to see

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

from +Our World Belongs to God, Article 31 & 33

Jesus stays with us in the Spirit, who renews our hearts, moves us to faith.

leads us in the truth, stands by us in our need,

and makes our obedience fresh and vibrant.

The Spirit's gifts are here to stay

in rich variety—fitting responses to timely needs.

We thankfully see each other

as gifted members of the fellowship

which delights in the creative Spirit's work.

He gives more than enough to each believer

for God's praise and our neighbor's welfare.

JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

You are invited to observe a moment of silence between each petition that is read.

THE LORD'S PRAYER (Back cover of the hymnal)

THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY

"Veni Creator Spiritus"

Traditional chant/Lani Smith

*DOXOLOGY #34

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*SENDING HYMN #333

"Wind Who Makes All Winds that Blow"

Aberystwyth

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

"Spirit of the Living God"

Jordan

^{*}Please stand in spirit or in body

^{**}Please take a moment to extend the peace of Christ to one another by greeting those around you. Say "hello," wave, learn each other's names - whatever feels most comfortable to you.

⁺This second edition of Our World Belongs to God was approved by Synod 2008 of the Christian Reformed Church in North America. (The first edition was adopted in 1986.) While not having confessional status, it is meant to give a hymn-like expression of faith within the heritage of the Reformed confessions, especially addressing issues that confront the church today.