

## IN THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

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**WE WELCOME** Elder Scott McCaw to the pulpit this Sunday morning. Thank you for sharing God's Word with us, Scott, while Pastor Stephanie is on vacation through tomorrow. Scott will also be sharing God's Word with the residents at Bethany Home this afternoon. In case of emergency pastoral needs, please contact Dani Postma on her cell: 563-235-9015.

**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](mailto:mwilfong62hr@hotmail.com).

**JOIN THE FPC-WPC FAMILY** at WPC on Saturday, June 8, 6:00-8:30 pm for a Family Game Night. All are welcome to come join in the fun to play all kinds of entertaining board games and get to know one another better. All the games are provided. After the games enjoy lots of snacks.

**JOIN US** in caring for our neighborhood in partnership with our Unitarian Universalist Fellowship friends across the street. Just walk across the street to the front door of UUFD after worship (11:30ish) to grab some gloves and trash bags as we clean up the Jackson Park area.

**FOOD FOR THE FIRST**—Don't forget to bring non-perishable food donations to support the ministry of the Dubuque Food Pantry next Sunday!

## WELCOME TO FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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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)

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<b>Sun. May 26</b> <i>Trinity Sunday</i>	10:15am	Worship: Elder Scott McCaw, preaching
	11:30am	FPC/UUFD Jackson Park clean-up
	1:30pm	Bethany Home Worship
<b>Sat. June 1</b>	8:00am	Men's Breakfast @ PapaOzz
<b>Sun. June 2</b> <i>2nd Sunday after Pentecost Food for the First</i>	9:30am	Shared Summer Worship @ FPC: Rev. Stephanie Ells, preaching

### GIVING

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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

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**Deacon of the Month of May:** DeDee Cosgrove  
**Nursery Attendants:** Florence Siefker, Brooklyn Neyen  
**Preacher:** Elder Scott McCaw  
**Music Director:** Kristen Eby

**Pastor's Office Hours:** 9:00am-1:00pm, Tuesday and Thursday  
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# May 26, 2024

## Trinity Sunday

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### ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### PRELUDE

“Meditation for Prayer”

Turner

#### OPENING PRAYER

#### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Open for me the gates of the righteous;  
I will enter and give thanks to the Lord.

**This is the gate of the Lord  
through which the righteous may enter.  
I will give you thanks, for you answered me;  
you have become my salvation.**

The stone the builders rejected  
has become the cornerstone;

**the Lord has done this,  
and it is marvelous in our eyes.  
The Lord has done it this very day;  
let us rejoice today and be glad.**

#### \*SONG OF PRAISE

“Wonderful, Merciful Savior”

Rodgers/Wyse

Wonderful, merciful Savior, precious Redeemer and Friend  
Who would have thought that a Lamb could rescue the souls of men  
Oh, you rescue the souls of men.

*Refrain:* You are the One that we praise, You are the One we adore  
You give the healing and grace, Our hearts always hunger for  
Oh, our hearts always hunger for.

Counselor, Comforter, Keeper, Spirit we long to embrace  
You offer hope when our hearts have hopelessly lost the way  
Oh, we hopelessly lost the way. *(refrain)*

Almighty, infinite Father, faithfully loving Your own  
Here in our weakness You find us falling before Your throne  
Oh, we're falling before Your throne. *(refrain)*

#### CALL TO CONFESSION

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O Lord our God, you call us to work for a world where all will be fed and have dignity, but we find ourselves distracted by our own desires. You call us to seek justice and peace, but we are satisfied with injustice and discord. You call us to bring liberty to the oppressed, but we do not insist on freedom for all. Forgive us, O Lord. Turn us to your will by the power of your Spirit, so that all may know your justice and peace; through Jesus Christ, your son, our Savior.

#### SILENT CONFESSION

#### DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

#### \*GLORIA PATRI #734

#### \*PASSING OF THE PEACE\*\*

The peace of Christ be with you.  
And also with you.

#### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

#### FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

Romans 8: 12-17

p. 1748

#### SECOND SCRIPTURE READING

John 15: 1-8

p. 1676

#### SERMON “Constant Gardening”

#### \*HYMN OF RESPONSE #426

“Blessed Assurance”

#### \*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

**This is the Good News which we have received, in which we stand, and by which we are saved if we hold it fast: that Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day, and that he appeared first to the women, then to Peter, and to the Twelve, and then to many faithful witnesses. We believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the living God. Jesus Christ is the first and the last, the beginning and the end; he is our Lord and our God. Amen.**

#### JOYS AND CONCERNS

#### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*Please respond with: We are yours, O God*

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER

#### THE OFFERING

#### OFFERTORY

“Near to the Heart of God”

Smith

#### \*DOXOLOGY #34

#### \*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

#### \*SENDING HYMN #521 vv. 1, 3, 4

“Abide with Me”

#### \*BENEDICTION

#### \*POSTLUDE

“When in Our Music God is Glorified”

Larsen

*\*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.*