



First Presbyterian Church

"We love because God first loved us."

1 John 4:19

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July 14, 2024 | Morning Worship 9:30 am

Welcome! 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.

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

Take the Name of Jesus

arr. Alexander

FOR PRAYER AND REFLECTION

Great Triune God, we have gathered here in your name as an act of faith, believing that you are not only among us, but that you love us. Help us today in our worship, to recognize your kindness, see your mercy, and feel your presence as you reveal yourself to each one of us. Amen.

OPENING PRAYER

*CALL TO WORSHIP

In deep gratitude we come to worship God.

We recognize God as the source of all kindness.

All good gifts come from the Spirit of God:

love, peace, joy, patience, kindness are all of God.

God is good, God is above all things

God's love endures forever!

We come with grateful hearts, not for things, but for who God is.

We gather to show our gratitude in song and prayer.

*SONGS OF PRAISE

Forever

by Chris Tomlin

Give thanks to the Lord
Our God and King
His love endures forever
For He is good He is above all things
His love endures forever
Sing praise sing praise

With a mighty hand
And an outstretched arm

His love endures forever
For the life that's been reborn
His love endures forever
Sing praise sing praise
Sing praise sing praise

Refrain:

Forever God is faithful
Forever God is strong
Forever God is with us
Forever forever

From the rising to the setting sun
His love endures forever
And by the grace of God
We will carry on
His love endures forever
Sing praise sing praise
Sing praise sing praise

Refrain

#4 *Bless His Holy Name*

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of mercy and patience, you have taught us our lives are meant to be gifts to others, for healing, hope, comfort, peace and love. Forgive us when we get so caught up in the details of living and when we become so overwhelmed by our current woes that we neglect to help others. Caring and sharing are the hallmarks of discipleship with Jesus Christ; so enlighten us with your spirit and your words of healing love; that we may be reflections of your loving-kindness at all times and in all places.

SILENT CONFESSION

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

Thanks be to God.

***GLORIA PATRI #734**

****PASSING OF THE PEACE**

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

** 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.

TIME WITH YOUNGER DISCIPLES

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING Ephesians 2:1-10
The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

SERMON The Fruit of the Spirit: *Kindness*

***HYMN OF RESPONSE #571** *Christ, You Call Us All to Service*

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH:** from “A Brief Statement Of Faith Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)”

We trust in God the Holy Spirit everywhere the giver and renewer of life.

The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith, sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor, and binds us together with all believers in the one body of Christ, the Church. The same Spirit who inspired the prophets and apostles rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture, engages us through the Word proclaimed, claims us in the waters of baptism, feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation, and calls women and men to all ministries of the Church. In a broken and fearful world the Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing, to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior, to unmask idolatries in Church and culture, to hear the voices of peoples long silenced, and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace. In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives, even as we watch for God’s new heaven and new earth, praying, “Come, Lord Jesus!”

JOYS AND CONCERNS+

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD’S PRAYER (inside hymnal cover)

THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY *Come Thou My Soul* by Haydn/arr. Rodriguez

***DOXOLOGY #34**

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

***SENDING HYMN #574** *I’m Gonna Live So God Can Use Me*

***BENEDICTION**

***POSTLUDE** *Built on a Rock* by Lindeman/arr. Giamanco

* You are welcome to stand in body or spirit.

+ Each Sunday we take the opportunity to speak our joys and concerns in a communal setting, so that we may pray for one another throughout the week. You are welcome to share during this time, or simply to listen. Please be mindful we are streaming our worship service, so sharing is public.

CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

WE ARE GLAD YOU ARE HERE TODAY! Interested in what the Presbyterian Church (USA) is all about? Wondering how to get connected on a deeper level? Thinking about what becoming a member of a church may look like? Pastor Stephanie would love to talk with you. Simply contact her at fpcdbq.pastor@gmail.com or (507) 227-8537.

THE POURING OF THE WATER INTO THE FONT at the beginning of worship engages our physical senses in worship of God. Hearing the water and seeing it poured connects us to the sacrament of Baptism, a sign & seal of our being marked as Christ's own forever. By carrying in the water during the prelude, children are offered an opportunity to participate in worship leadership.

PLEASE FEEL FREE TO UTILIZE THE PILLOW CUSHIONS placed above the coat racks at the back of the church if it is difficult for you to sit in our hard pews. You also are welcome to bring your own cushion along, if you so choose.

TITHES AND OFFERINGS collected in today's service will be contributed to the general fund of First Presbyterian Church. As a faithful pledger, you are encouraged to continue your giving patterns to either WPC or FPC. This can be done via electronic giving, mail, or simply holding your pledge until worship is hosted at the church of your pledge commitment.

ST. LUKE'S UMC is hosting a **POOL PARTY** for our congregations again this summer! This is open to all ages. Bring yourself, your family and friends for a **FREE** swim on **Sunday, July 28th from 5-7PM** at *Sutton Pool*. There will be a food truck there if you would like to purchase dinner as well.

FPC COLLECTS "Food on the First" and "Supplies on the Second." You can bring **non-perishable food items** to worship and place them in the basket at the entrance labeled "*Food on the First,*" and **hygiene items** and place them in the basket at the entrance labeled "*Supplies on the Second.*" FPC Deacons will pack the food items and deliver them to the Dubuque Food Pantry after worship on the first Sunday of the month, and the hygiene items will be delivered to Opening Doors.

PASTOR ELLS ON VACATION: Pastor Stephanie will be on vacation in Ireland July 15-24 and Chicago July 27-29. For emergency pastoral needs, while she is in Ireland, please contact Rev. Stephanie Schlimm (563) 581-5512. While in Chicago, please contact Rev. Marsha Wilfong, 563-583-6571.

WPC CHANCEL FLOWERS - Please consider providing Chancel Flowers in memory of or honor of a loved one, special event or just to brighten up the altar. This is a perfect time of year to share your garden flowers. Call Mary Kay in the church office to sign up 563-583-1729.

CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Westminster + First Pres

Many Gifts - One Spirit

Sign up by July 14th

Let's come together to celebrate our many gifts! Please join us on Sunday, July 21st from 11am-1pm for food, fellowship, and fun! From 11am-12pm we'll have an opportunity to meet and greet people who share our interests, and from 12pm – 1pm we'll share a picnic lunch...and maybe entertainment???? Highlights include:

- Meeting people with similar interests
- Displaying your favorite projects
- Sharing a picnic lunch – sandwich fixings will be provided, please bring a salad or side to share
- Entering the dessert contest – our special required ingredient is FRUIT!
- **DOOR PRIZES!!!!**

Please RSVP by Sunday, July 14th. **Please fill out a new survey for each person attending.** copy this web address to sign up on the survey

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0848ACAF22A3F9C43-50097861-many?useFullSite=true#/>

OR scan this QR Code



Thank you! Thank you to all who contributed paper goods, time and service to Creator's Camp "Summer Sounds." Over 40 kiddos enjoyed a fabulous week of learning about the arts and put on a performance to top the week off -- full of music and drama. What a joyful noise we offered to God through this joint ministry!

HAVE A PRAYER CONCERN OR JOY TO SHARE? Folks on the FPC Prayer Chain would be honored to pray for you. Simply email Pastor Stephanie at fpcdbq.pastor@gmail.com, and she will distribute your request. You may also join the FPC Prayer Chain this way!

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER LIST FOR WESTMINSTER

- For both **Doug & Lois Pearce** who are dealing with multiple health issues.
- For the family of **Berniece Trevallee** who passed away on 7/4.
- For **Kassandra Powell's** family dealing with the tragic death of her great nephew in Milwaukee.
- For **Lisa McMahan** recovering from hip surgery.
- For **Gary Scoggin** as he prepares for another heart procedure on 7/23.
- For all those on the **Deacons Care List**.

CHURCH CALENDAR

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN

Sunday, July 14

9:30am – **Collaborative Worship at FPC**
Rev. Stephanie Ells preaching with **coffee, treats and fellowship following worship.**

10:30am- WPC-FPC Taskforce Mtg.

July 15-24 Pastor Stephanie on vacation;
Emergency Coverage: Rev. Steph Schlimm, (563)581-5512

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Tuesday, July 16

9am – Tai Chi, FH

6pm - Session, BR

Wednesday, July 17

3:30pm – WPC Book Club, Ntx

5:30pm – Mission Team, WR

Thursday, July 18

Mom's on Fire Event, FH

2pm – Green Team, BR

6 p.m. - Adult Formation Team, BR

Saturday, July 20

2pm – Tompkins Senior Recital, SA

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1:30pm – **Worship at Bethany Home**

OFFICE HOURS at WPC are Mon.-Thurs. 9 am-2 pm. Please call the **pastoral care # 563-279-4545** with your pastoral needs or call the office at 563-583-1729.

CHURCH STAFF

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Deacon of the Month: DeDee Cosgrove

Preacher: Rev. Stephanie Ells

Liturgist: Mark Stant

Musicians: The Eby's

Greeter of the Month: Alex Jack

Coffee Hour Hosts: The Eby's and Paula McNally

Streaming Team: Blair

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WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Care Coordinator: Sam Wu #563-279-4545

Director of Music: Dr. Luke Tyler

Choir Director: Steve Peake

Timbrel & Lyre Director: Dr. Luke Tyler

Band Director: Sally Stulken

Organist/Pianist: Dr. Luke Tyler

Church Administrator: Mary Kay Pancratz

Financial Secretary: Becky Jenkins

Custodian: Josh Henry

Worship Tech: Emily Delamora

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with **FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH** and
WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

THE FRUIT OF THE SPIRIT

June 2	First	<i>To Live By the Spirit</i>
June 9	Westminster	<i>Knowledge of the Holy Spirit</i>
June 16	First	<i>Love</i>
June 23	Westminster	<i>Joy</i>
June 30	First	<i>Peace</i>
July 7	Westminster	<i>Patience</i>
July 14	First	<i>Kindness</i>
July 21	Westminster	<i>Goodness</i>
July 28	First	<i>Faithfulness</i>
August 4	Westminster	<i>Gentleness</i>
August 11	First	<i>Self Control</i>
August 18	Dbq. Arboretum	Annual Multi-Church Service with St. Luke's UMC
August 25	First	<i>Giving Thanks</i>

9:30 AM

