

First Presbyterian Church
Lake Park, Iowa
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10:30am

November 5, 2017

31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

Musical Prelude

Announcements

Passing of the peace

Call to Worship – (Based on Psalm 103)

L/ Bless the Lord, O my soul. Bless the Lord.

C/ God is in charge and God is King forever!

L/ As for us our days are grass; like a flower of the field, we flourish and then we die.

C/ But the steadfast love of God is from everlasting to everlasting, even to our children's children.

L/ The grass withers and the flower fades; But the word of the Lord stands forever.

C/ Bless the Lord, O my soul. God's dominion is forever.

Hymn of Praise: # 730 Stand up, Stand Up for Jesus

Prayer of Confession

All/ We know the way Lord—it is Jesus. But we so often stray, thinking of our own comfort or trying to hide and be safe.

Forgive us Lord for not standing up in faith especially when it was uncomfortable or required hardship. Forgive us when we have failed to act for fear that we would be next. Forgive us when we do not think of how others feel but assert our own desires instead. Remake us Lord Jesus, in your Spirit that we might be your sons and daughters!

L/ Hear these words of scripture: “We have this hope of salvation as an anchor for the soul, firm and secure, in Jesus!” (Hebrews 6: 19) I declare by the Name of Jesus that God has forgiven us and we are saved in Jesus' blood and remade by the Spirit!

Gloria Patri

#812

Children's Chat

Special Music

Reading of Scripture

Prayer of Illumination

Old Testament Lesson: Isaiah 32: 1-8 **page 1107*

Canticle: # 403 Christ is Made the Sure Foundation

New Testament Lesson: 1 Thessalonians 3: 7-13 **pages 1839-40*

Sermon

Affirmation of Faith (Apostles' Creed 180 AD —PCUSA Book of Confessions, 2.1-2.3)

All/ I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and buried; he descended into hell; on the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven and sits on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from there Jesus will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit; the holy catholic church, the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Offertory;

Doxology

#815

Joys and Concerns

Sacrament of the Lord's Table (BCW 387)

L/ The Lord be with you

C/ And Also with you

L/ Lift up your hearts

C/ We lift them to God

L/ Let us give thanks to the Lord

C/ It is right to give thanks and Praise!

L/ It is truly right and our greatest joy...therefore we praise you, joining our voices with angels and archangels, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with the faithful in every time and place who forever sing to the glory of your name:

C/ Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest!

L/ You are holy...our lives may proclaim the One crucified and Risen! Great is the mystery of our faith:

C/ Christ has died. Christ is Risen. Christ will come again!

L/ Gracious God, pour out your Holy Spirit upon us...Give us strength to serve you faithfully until the promised day of resurrection, when with the redeemed of all ages we will feast with you at your table in glory.

C/ Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor is yours, Almighty Father, forever and ever. Amen.

Lord's Prayer (using Debts)

Communion of the people. (sing Come to the Table of Grace in front of blue hymnals)

Prayer of Thanksgiving (from our Reformed Tradition)

L/ Who am I that I can make a claim on You? To despair and think myself unsavable is to deny your mercy, but to claim my way when you call me forward into the Way is to rebel and destroy myself.

C/ Therefore I bow to you and with all possible thankfulness I accept you as mine and give myself up to you as yours. You are my King and my God. I rest in you, O Lord, and you alone!

(Joseph Alleine, 1665, English Puritan Pastor)

Sending Hymn: # 23 The God of Abraham Praise

Ministry Leaders

Deacons: Terry Wiese & Roger Velishek
Greeters: Diana Jacobsen & Nancy Younie
Worship Music: Marian Tuinstra
Pastor: Rev. Tim Harmon
All members are ministers of Jesus Christ

Attendance 10/29/17: 40

Offering 10/29/17: \$827.81

10/29/17 Deacon's Offering: \$172.00

Reminder-- there are 70 unpaid per capita- \$33 for 2017

Commercial (Manse) Loan Balance: \$12,704.37

Furnace Loan: \$10,368.51

-Everyone is invited to stay and enjoy fellowship and delicious leftovers after worship today. ☺

-HAPPY BIRTHDAY to Rian Byers TODAY, and to Kortney Tuinstra on November 10th.

-THANK YOU to everyone who planned, donated, grew vegetables, prayed about, set up, decorated, cooked, baked, roasted, peeled, mashed, stuffed, stirred, carved, served, poured, cleaned, washed, dried, ate, and helped in any way to make our annual TURKEY SUPPER a wonderful event! ☺

SPECIAL THANKS to this year's co-chairpersons Bruce Hasara, Roger Velishek & Julie Ebel.

-THANK YOU to those of you who gave special above and beyond offerings in honor of our church's 125th anniversary. We have received six of these monetary gifts so far.

-Wednesday evening Bible Study meets at the church every Wednesday from 6 to 7 p.m. Everyone is welcome. The Friday morning Bible Study continues every Friday at 10:00 a.m. We are studying the book of Matthew.

-CHOIR will meet this Wednesday at 7:00 p.m

-Harris United Methodist Church will be having their Soup & Pie Supper this Thursday, November 9th from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

-There will be a Finance Team Meeting this Thursday, November 9th, at 5:30 p.m. in the Fireside Room

-The Lake Park American Legion will be conducting two Veterans' Day programs on Friday, November 10th...

Guest Speaker will be Jackie Westover of Correctionville. Her program is titled "The Green Lady." The first program will be held at the Harris-Lake Park Elementary Gym at 10:00 AM. The second program will be held in the H-LP HS Auditorium at 12:55 PM.

The public is invited to these programs and everyone is encouraged to attend and help honor our Veterans.

-There will be a Baby Shower for Lindsey Reese, daughter of Doug and Julie Stahly, next Saturday, November 11th from 9:00 a.m. to 11 a.m. at United Methodist Church of Lake Park. A detailed flier is on the bulletin board.

-There will be a P.W. Executive Meeting next Sunday, November 12th, at 9:30 a.m. in the Fireside Room. This will be to plan the P.W. program for 2018.

-We will be having a COOKIE WALK on Saturday, November 18th from 8 to 11 a.m. here at the church.

We are asking for donations of cookies. Every donation is appreciated, and it is suggested to bring a minimum of 36 cookies of the same variety. If you will be donating cookies, please call Jeanie Hawn at (712) 330-7454 or the church office at (712) 832-3401 before Sunday, November 12th. The cookies should be dropped off at the church by Friday (Nov. 17th) evening at 7:00 p.m. or Saturday morning by 7 a.m. Also, we are asking for volunteers to help that day for a minimum of 1 hour. Money from this delicious fundraiser will go to the General Fund. --

-Concordia Lutheran Church of Lake Park will be hosting the annual fall pork feed dinner on **Sunday, November 19th** from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Lake Park Community Center. The benefit is going towards the Jones family.

Supplemented by the Thrivent Action Team

-This year's Joint Thanksgiving Service will be Sunday, November 19th at **5:00 p.m.** at Harris United Methodist Church.

-We will be collecting non-perishable food items and monetary donations for Local Food Ministries during this service...

We will also accept these donations at our regular Sunday Worship Service. This is November's Mission Focus.

-Looking ahead...Please think about saving ahead for Operation Shoebox. We have some shoeboxes here at the church. Please contact Loretta McClain if you want one.

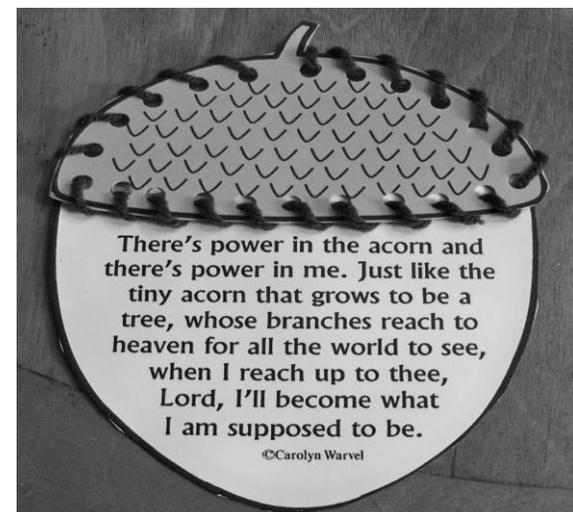
-The "**Planning of the Greening**" meeting will be Sunday, November 26th after morning worship. We will gather in the basement. Anyone who plans to help with the greening of the church and/or has ideas or thoughts about our holiday decorations is encouraged to attend this meeting. The Greening of the Church will be on Saturday, December 2nd.

-ALL TEAMS NEED TO HAVE THEIR BUDGET REPORTS AND END OF YEAR REPORTS IN TO THE OFFICE BY FRIDAY, DECEMBER 1st. THANK YOU.

-We are looking for families or groups to light the ADVENT CANDLES for us on Sundays beginning December 3rd. Please call the church if you would like to do this.

-It is that time of year again for the Nominating Team to be looking for leaders in our church. The search will be for Team Members, Elders, Deacons, and a Church Treasurer.

-You can still give to Presbyterian Disaster Assistance. Simply put your donation in an envelope marked "Presbyterian Disaster Relief" and place it in our Sunday collection plate.



There's power in the acorn and
there's power in me. Just like the
tiny acorn that grows to be a
tree, whose branches reach to
heaven for all the world to see,
when I reach up to thee,
Lord, I'll become what
I am supposed to be.

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