

First Presbyterian Church
Lake Park, Iowa
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10:30am

August 26, 2018

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

Musical Prelude

Announcements - CWS Blanket Offering - Passing of the peace

Call to Worship (based on Psalm 84)

L/ Blessed are all who trust in God and have set their hearts on God in this pilgrimage life.

C/ Trust in God as you pass through the desert that you might find the Springs of Life.

L/ God is our shield and our strength all our days, only in God's favor do we have hope.

C/ Better is one day in God's courts than a thousand days elsewhere; better to be a slave in God's house than a dweller in the tents of the wicked!

L/ The Lord is a sun and a mighty shield and the Lord bestows goodness on all who trust in Him.

Hymn of Praise: # 435 God of Grace and God of Glory

Prayer of Confession

All/ Lord God, my hope is in you. I claim you as Lord. Yet I do not always follow you. I run away from helping because it's not my business I say. I judge others because it is easier than looking at my own faults. I spread rumors because it deflects people from looking at me. I seek power so that I do not suffer but do not use it to stop the suffering of others. Forgive me Lord. Make me to be quick to forgive and stop me from holding even deserved grudges against others. Make me into your follower!

-Reminder – P.W. Luncheon at Cap'n Ken's this Friday, August 31st at 11:00 a.m. Thanks for your response.

-We need donations of the following items at the Church for September: Clorox Wipes, toilet bowl cleaner, and glass cleaner. Items can be brought to the church entryway any day between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m.

-Our next Mobile Food Pantry will be Thursday, September 6th from 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. We will again need volunteers to unload the truck around Noon and then to help with packing and carrying during Food Pantry hours.

-Our First Presbyterian Church Choir will be starting again soon. Watch for details in your Sunday bulletins. EVERYONE is welcome to join in and sing praises!

-There is a fund set up at United Community Bank for Betty Kluver who lost her home in the flooding earlier this summer.

-Friday morning Bible Study continues every Friday at 10:00 a.m. We are studying the book of Acts. Everyone is welcome.

Put on the full armor of
God
that you will be able to stand firm
against the schemes of the devil.
Ephesians 6:11

L/ Hear these words of scripture: “Since we have these promises, dear friends, let us purify ourselves from everything that contaminates body or spirit for the glory of God.” (2 Corinthians 7: 1) In the name of Jesus I declare, our sins are forgiven and God’s love is proved on the cross!

Gloria Patri #812

Children’s Chat

Special Music

Reading of Scripture

Old Testament Lesson: Jeremiah 18: 1-11 *page 1203

Canticle: # 540 My Hope is in the Lord

New Testament Lesson: Ephesians 6: 10-20 *page 1824

Sermon

Affirmation of Faith: Apostles’ Creed (180 AD—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
Prayer of Dedication Deacons

Joys and Concerns

Lord’s Prayer (using Debts)

Prayer of Thanksgiving (from our Reformed Heritage)

L/The sun is golden in a pure blue sky, the grass in meadows ripples softly in the breeze, a bird pierces the air with a sweet song and in the hedgerows butterflies bask in the warmth. God thank you for the summer.

C/ Everything, from insects to birds to wind to stars, everything seems to be singing songs of praise to you, O Lord, the God of creation. God thank you for the summer. (Christopher Herbert, Pastor and Religious Educator, 1993, in book Prayers for Children)

Benediction

Sending Hymn: # 686 O God, Our Help in Ages Past (ver. 1, 2, & 6)

Ministry Leaders

Deacons: James Kessler & Dennis Vande Hoef

Greeters: Ron & Shelli Nissen with Jan Sathren

Worship Music: Denise Lev

Worship Leader: Rev. Michael Gewecke

Pastor: Rev. Tim Harmon

All members are ministers of Jesus Christ +

Attendance 8/19/18: 39

Offering 8/19/18: \$1,202.10

Back-to-School Offering: \$158.00

There are 55 paid per capitas: \$37 for 2018

-HAPPY BIRTHDAY to Brian Nebelsick on August 28th, and to Melanie Brons and Lynette Ohana on August 29th, and to Kortney Winters on August 30th.

-September Newsletters are ready and can be picked up at the Deacons’ table (for those of you who get a printed copy).