

First Presbyterian Church
Lake Park, Iowa
www.fpclakepark.org
10:30am

January 13, 2019 Baptism of our Lord

Musical Prelude

Announcements Passing of the peace

Call to Worship (based on Psalm 29)

L/ Give to the Lord glory and strength and worship God in God's own holiness!

C/ The voice of God calls out over the waters and God's glory thunders forth!

L/ The voice of God is powerful and great, like flashes of lightning or the powerful earthquake.

C/ The Lord sits enthroned and gives strength to the people for God blesses us with peace!

Hymn of Praise: #428 In Christ There is no East or West

Prayer of Confession

All/ O Lord, you have adopted us in our Baptism and marked us as your own. Yet we confess that we are ungrateful, that we act as if we were in control of our own destiny, and as if we alone matter. Forgive our inattention to others, our failures to show your love, and our seeking our own power and glory. Teach us to be your sons and daughters and to live only for you!

L/ Hear these words of scripture: "In God's great mercy the lord has given us a new birth into a living hope and made us now part of the very household of God. This can never be spoiled or undone or fade but is instead kept by Heaven and shielded by faith." (1 Peter 1: 3-4)

In the name of Jesus I declare, our sins are forgiven and God's love is proved on the cross!

-There will be a Worship & Music Team meeting today after Church.

-PW@Night Circle meets tonight at 6:30 p.m. in the Fireside Room.

-Our First Presbyterian Church Choir meets every Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. Everyone is welcome to come sing with us!

-Please bring in postage stamps (that you receive on your mail) for the Bits & Pieces Mission Project. This helps them continue this helpful and wonderful work!

-Our Annual Congregational Meeting and Pot Luck will be next Sunday January 20th, 2019. Main entrée of ham will be provided, and everyone is asked to bring a salad or dessert.

-Our current Schwan's Cares fundraiser goes through January 27th.
_Deadline for February Newsletter items is coming right up – next Tuesday, January 22nd.

-Morning Circle meets next Wednesday, January 23rd at 9:30 a.m.

-We will have a Souper Bowl Luncheon on Sunday, February 3rd following morning Church service. Tasty hot potato soup and chili will be served along with crackers and a beverage. This will be Free Will donation fundraiser, and all proceeds will go to the General Fund. Watch your upcoming bulletins for more details.

-Commercial Loan Balance \$11,855.67

-Per Capita amount for 2019 is \$41.00.

-Everyone has difficulties. When life gets too challenging, trained counselors through NW IA Care Connections are here for YOU.

Their 24/7 phone number is: 844-345-4569.

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

Definition: A Congregation's Calling

- A Congregation's calling is to participate in God's mission to proclaim the Good News and to call all people to discipleship.

- There is a direct correspondence between the degree to which the congregation is engaged with people beyond themselves and the growth and health of the congregation.

Gloria Patri #812

Children's Chat

Special Music - CHOIR

Reading of Scripture

Old Testament Lesson: Isaiah 43: 1-7 *page 1126

Canticle: #293 Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness

New Testament Lesson: Luke 3: 15-17, 21-22 *page 1594

Sermon

Affirmation of Faith: Theological Declaration of Barmen (1933, PCUSA Book of Confessions, 8.17)

All/ The Christian Church is the fellowship of all the family of God throughout the world in which Jesus Christ acts as the Lord in Word and Sacrament through the Holy Spirit. As the Church of pardoned sinners, we all have to testify in the midst of a sinful world, with our faith and our obedience, with the message of the Gospel as our order, that we are solely Christ's property, and that we live and in fact only want to live from Christ's comfort and from Christ's direction in the expectation of Christ's appearance at the end days.

Offertory; Doxology #815
Prayer of Dedication Deacons

Prayers: Sharing of Joys and Concerns
Lord's Prayer (using Debts)

Prayer of Thanksgiving (from our Reformed Heritage)

L/ Glory to you O God—your voice is over the waters full of power and majesty and love. We give you thanks and praise for this new thing you have done in Christ, showing the world that Jesus is Your Son anointed as Savior and appointed as King.

C/ Thank you for claiming us as well in the waters of Baptism by the working of your Spirit. Continue to pour out the Spirit that we might love and serve you and live as your faithful people, bearing the Good News of Jesus Christ to all the world. Amen.
(Presbyterian Church (USA), 2018)

Benediction

Sending Hymn: # 411 (blue Hymnal) Arise Your Light Has Come
(based on Isaiah 61: 1-2)

Ministry Leaders

Deacons: Heather Harmon & Daniel Delaney
Greeters: Marsha McClain & Jean Delaney
Worship Music: Marian Tuinstra
Pastor: Rev. Tim Harmon
All members are ministers of Jesus Christ +

Attendance 1/6/19: 35
Offering 1/6/19: \$3,065.00
Offering envelopes initial gift (tan envelope): \$17.00
There are 8 paid per capitas: \$41 for 2019

-HAPPY BIRTHDAY to Jamie Petersen on January 15th, and to Luis Ohana on January 16th, and to Loretta McClain on January 19th.
-THANK YOU to everyone who volunteered and helped with our monthly Mobile Food Bank on January 3rd.
-A message from Mary Byers: "May the Lord bless all of you! I am doing quite well...thank you for all your prayers."
-The Annual Congregational Meeting books can be picked up today for those of you who would like to have them ahead of time. If you choose to pick up yours today, PLEASE bring it back next Sunday when we have our Annual Congregational Meeting. Or you may leave it here with the Deacons. New 2019 Directories will be ready to pick up next Sunday. If you do not receive an Annual Congregational Meeting book or a Directory and would like one, please call the Church office, and Lynette will gladly make you one.