

# First Presbyterian Church - Lake Park, Iowa

www.fpclakepark.org    Worship Service 10:30 am  
March 12, 2023            3rd Sunday in Lent

Musical Prelude – Time to prepare your heart for Worship

## Announcements

Call to Worship: "Psalm 95 1-11" (*read responsively*)

L: Come, let us sing for joy to the Lord; Let us shout aloud to the Rock of our salvation.

**C: Let us come before him with thanksgiving and extol him with music and song.**

L: For the Lord is the great God, the great King above all gods. In his hand are the depths of the earth, and the mountain peaks belong to him. The sea is his, for he made it, and his hands formed the dry land.

**C: Come let us bow down in worship, let us kneel before the Lord our Maker; for he is our God and we are the people of his pasture, the flock under his care.**

L: Today, if you hear his voice, do not harden your hearts as you did at Meribah, as you did that day at Massah in the desert, where your fathers tested and tried me, though they had seen what I did.

**C: For forty years I was angry with that generation; I said, "They are a people whose hearts go astray, and they have not known my ways."**

L: So I declared on oath in my anger, "They shall never enter my rest."

Hymn of Praise: "Blessed Assurance " #572 (*stand if able*)

Prayer of Confession:

**ALL: Gracious God, as we wander through the wilderness this Lent, we are more aware of our thirst for your presence, your love, your guidance on life's journey. Forgive us for turning away from you. Forgive our doubt and uncertainty that led us to place our faith in worldly comforts that don't run deep enough and don't last. We come to your well today desperate and thirsty for Christ's living water. Quench our thirst, we pray. Grant us your forgiveness and your grace. Amen.**

Gloria Patri: # 812

## Special Music

Reading of Scriptures

Old Testament Reading: Exodus 17: 1-7 (Page #114)

New Testament Reading: Romans 5: 1-11 (Page #1752-1753)

Hymn: "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing" #11

Gospel Lesson: John 4: 5-42 (Pages #1651-1653)

Sermon: "Thirst for Jesus"

Affirmation of Faith:

**ALL: 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, then 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**

Offertory:

Doxology #815

Prayer for Tithes and Offering

Prayers: Sharing of Joys and Concerns; Lord's Prayer

Prayer of Thanksgiving

L: Who am I that I can make a claim on You? To despair and think myself unsaveable 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!**

Benediction

Closing Hymn: "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross" #324 (*stand if able*)

**MINISTRY LEADERS**

**Worship Music:** Denise Lev    **Worship Leader:** Al Grigg  
+ All members are ministers of Jesus Christ +

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3/05/2023 - Attendance: 18    Regular Offering: \$655

**\*Reminder: Per Capita for 2023 is \$48.00** 2023 Paid: 13



**From our Presbytery:** Please pray for all our area churches and their leaders.

**If you have Pastoral Needs,** please call the Office 712-832-3401

**Office Hours:** Monday, Wednesday, Friday 8:00 – 11:00 am  
Church Secretary Jeanie Hawn (712) 330-7454

**NOTICE:**

**Tuesday, March 14-**

6:00-Finance Meeting

6:30-Session Meeting

**Birthdays to Remember this week:**

March 13-Maxwell Ray

March 14-Ashley Delaney

March 15-Lona Hedquist

March 16-Carol Jensen

March 17-Kevin Winter

Jasmine Marki

**Anniversaries this Week:**

March 17-Lee & Jasmine Marki

March 18-Wes & Tina McClure



"CELEBRATING SABBATH" Bible study to begin Sunday, March 26 immediately following the church service.

Spring cleaning is already starting in the church office. If you have some free time and need something to do, we could use your help in shredding old church financial records.....Call or stop in the office and we will gladly put you to work!



**OPEN HOUSE**

A joint celebration for Dean & Cheryl Ramsey in honor of their 50<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary and their 70<sup>th</sup> Birthdays.

Saturday, March 18<sup>th</sup> 4:00-8:00

Lake Park Community Building.