

# First Presbyterian Church - Lake Park, Iowa

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Jan. 8, 2023 - Baptism of the Lord

Musical Prelude – Time to prepare your heart for Worship

Announcements

Christmas Candle

Call to Worship: "Psalm 29" Pages 866-867 (*read responsively, stand if able*)

Hymn of Praise: "Hark the Harold Angels Sing" #277 (*remain standing*)

Call to Confession: (*read responsively, remain standing if able*)

**God of grace and glory,  
you call us with your voice of flame  
to be your people, faithful and courageous.  
As your beloved Son  
embraced his mission in the waters of baptism,  
inspire us with the fire of your Spirit  
to join in his transforming work.  
We ask this in the name of our Savior Jesus Christ,  
who lives and reigns for ever and ever.  
Amen.**

Prayer of Confession (*read responsively, remain standing if able*)

**Lord God,  
you revealed your Son in the waters of the Jordan  
and anointed him with the power of the Holy Spirit  
to proclaim good news to all people.  
Sanctify us by the same Spirit,  
that we may proclaim the healing power of the gospel  
by acts of love in your name.  
Amen**

Assurance of Pardon: "The Word Became Flesh" Page 276 (*read responsively*)

Gloria Patri # 812

Special Music

Prayer for Illumination "Jesus Christ is Born" # 257 (*read responsively*)

Reading of Scriptures

New Testament: Acts 10: 34-43 Page # 1710

Old Testament: Isaiah 42: 1-9 Page # 1124

Hymn: "Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart" # 390

Gospel Lesson:

Matthew 3: 1-7 Page #1499

Sermon: "Jesus' Baptism"

Affirmation of Faith: "By His Spirit" # 388 (*read responsively*)

Offertory;

Doxology #815

Prayer for Tithes and Offering

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

Prayers of Thanksgiving: "Rejoice with Exceeding Great Joy!" # 268

Benediction

Closing Hymn: "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee" # 271 (*stand if able*)

## MINISTRY LEADERS

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

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1/1/23 - Attendance: 21    Regular Offering: \$649

**\*Reminder: Per Capita for 2023 is \$48.35** 2023 Paid: 1



**From our Presbytery:** Pray for First, Carroll – Ref Rikki Sorensen

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

**Office Hours:** Tuesday – Friday 8:00 – 11:00 am  
For urgent matters outside of office hours contact Church Secretary Marcy Troendle (712) 320-3508



**DATES TO REMEMBER:**

- **Tue Jan. 10, 2023: Session Meeting**  
First Presbyterian Church – 6:30 pm
- **Wed Jan. 11, 2023: PW Meeting**  
First Presbyterian Church – 2:00 pm
- **Sun Jan. 15, 2023: Sunday Worship Service**  
SUNDAY WORSHIP 10:30 am Worship Leader – Karen Schwaller
- **Wed Jan. 18, 2023 – Wed Jan. 25, 2023: Week of Prayer**  
Week of Prayer for Christian Unity – see further details in bulletin
- **Sun Jan. 22, 2023: Sunday Worship Service**  
SUNDAY WORSHIP 10:30 am Worship Leader – Rev Mark Volkers  
ANNUAL MEETING immediately following worship

**Birthdays to Remember this week:**

Keith Byers – January 12<sup>th</sup>  
Jamie Peterson – January 14<sup>th</sup>

**ATTENTION:**

**Annual Meeting** – Will be held on Sunday, January 22<sup>nd</sup>, immediately following church service to review the past year’s activities, look ahead to the New Year, elect new Elders and Deacons, and install the newly elected leaders.

Annual reports and new church directories are available today to give everyone time to look over the reports. No reports will be mailed out, if you would like a copy and don’t get one at church service, they will be available this week at the office during office hours.

**Walkers Welcome** – The church is available for walking weekly Tues thru Fri from 8:00 – 10:00 AM thru March.

**Want to honor a special event or loved one thru sponsorship?**

Reserve your special events for 2023. Sponsor a Newsletter: \$50.00 or a Sunday Worship Bulletin: \$25.00. Currently **most dates are available** to sponsor a bulletin or newsletter. Please contact the Church Office to be put on the calendar, or drop your payment in the offering plate in a separate envelope with the details we’ll need. Thank you for helping our church with our weekly and monthly expenses!

**5 THINGS TO PRAY FOR DURING THE WEEK OF PRAYER 1/18-1/25**

Further reading will be provided in next week’s bulletin

**1) SALVATION and GOSPEL BOLDNESS**

For I am not ashamed of the gospel, because it is the power of God that brings salvation to everyone who believes: first to the Jew, then to the Gentile. **Romans 1:16**

**2) LIGHT IN THE DARKNESS**

To open their eyes and turn them from darkness to light, from the power of Satan to God, so that they may receive forgiveness of sins and a place among those who are sanctified by faith in me **Acts 26:18**

**3) PROTECTION**

Whoever dwells in the shelter of the Most High will rest in the shadow of the Almighty. I will say of the Lord, “He is my refuge and my fortress, my God, in whom I trust.” **Psalms 91:1-2**

**4) REVIVAL**

Seek the Lord while he may be found; call upon him while he is near; let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts; let him return to the Lord, that he may have compassion on him, and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon. **Isaiah 55:6-7**

**5) UNSPEAKABLE JOY**

Though you have not seen him, you love him. Though you do not now see him, you believe in him and rejoice with joy that is inexpressible and filled with glory. **1 Peter 1:8**

**Sunday thought to Ponder**

*Through it all..... That’s the ticket. Through the victories and all the failures..... Through the brilliant days of accomplishment and the broken days..... Through the heady days of laughter and success and those nameless intervals of setback and blank despair. Through it all, God is with us, leading us, teaching us, humbling us, preparing us!*

*Bedside Blessings – Charles Swindoll*