

# First Presbyterian Church - Lake Park, Iowa

www.fpclakepark.org      Worship Service 10:30 am  
February 26, 2023      1<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Lent

Musical Prelude – Time to prepare your heart for Worship

## Announcements

Call to Worship: "Psalm 32 1-11" (*read responsively, stand if able*)

L: Blessed is he whose transgressions are forgiven, whose sins are covered.

**C: Blessed is the man whose sin the Lord does not count against him and in whose spirit is no deceit.**

L: When I kept silent, my bones wasted away though my groaning all day long.

**C: For day and night your hand was heavy upon me; my strength was sapped as in the heat of summer.**

L: Then I acknowledged my sin to you and did not cover up my iniquity. I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the lord"—and you forgave the guilt of my sin.

**C: Therefore, let everyone who is godly pray to you while you may be found; surely when the mighty water rise, they will not reach him.**

L: You are my hiding place; you will protect me from trouble and surround me with songs of deliverance.

**C: I will instruct you and teach you in the way you should go; I will counsel you and watch over you.**

L: Do not be like the horse or the mule, which have no understanding but must be controlled by bit and bridle or they will not come to you.

**C: Many are the woes of the wicked, but the Lord's unfailing love surrounds the man who trusts in him.**

L: Rejoice in the Lord and be glad, you righteous; sing, all you who are upright in heart!

Hymn of Praise: "Take Time to Be Holy" #656 (*remain standing*)

Prayer of Confession:

**ALL: Have mercy on me, O God, according to your loving-kindness. In your great compassion, blot out my offenses. Wash**

**me through and through from my wickedness and cleanse me from my sins. For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me. Against you only have I sinned, and done what is evil in your sight. Purge me from my sin, and I shall be pure. Wash me, and I shall be clean indeed. Create in me a clean heart, O god, and renew a right spirit within me.**

L: Hear these words of scripture: "The very One who calls light from darkness now shines in our hearts to reveal the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ. In the name of Jesus I declare, our sins are forgiven and God's love is proved on the cross!

Gloria Patri: # 812

## Special Music

Reading of Scriptures

Old Testament Reading: Genesis 2 15-17, 3: 1-7 (Page #4 & 5)

New Testament Reading: Romans 5: 12-19 (Page #1753)

Hymn: "Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart" #169

Sermon: "Temptation"

Affirmation of Faith: Westminster Confession (*read responsively*)

**ALL: Repentance unto life is an evangelical grace, given by God to the elect, and is the doctrine that should be preached by every minister of the Gospel as well as that of faith in Christ.**

**Repentance happens when the grace of God illumines the sinner to one's own odious deeds and all that is contrary to the holy nature and righteous law of God. And in this light of the weight of sin and the freedom of God's mercy, the believer turns from the ways of sin unto the Way of Christ, walking in the commandments of love and grace. This repentance does not atone for sin, only Christ can do that, but it does connect and change the sinner with the Spirit. Just as there is no sin so small as to escape damnation, there is no sin so big as to evade God's grace and our repentance. Because of God's grace in the light of this knowledge of sin and the salvation given in Jesus's blood and the Spirit's regeneration, all people should be willing to publically repent, turning from scandalous behavior big or small in proper**

**apology and admitting of wrong to all parties offended or harmed, and by Christ's love and grace be reconciled to Him and all the brothers and sisters in the church forever. Amen.**

Offertory: Doxology #815

Prayer for Tithes and Offering

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

Prayer of Thanksgiving

L: Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless God's holy name.

**C: Bless the Lord, O my soul, and do not forget all the benefits God bestows on God's people: Forgiveness, healing, redemption and Life.**

L: God crowns us all with His steadfast love and mercy.

**C: Praise the Lord, O my soul.**

Benediction

Closing Hymn: "Great Is Thy Faithfulness" #139 (*stand if able*)

### **MINISTRY LEADERS**

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

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2/19/23 - Attendance: 21 Regular Offering: \$545.00

**\*Reminder: Per Capita for 2023 is \$48.00** 2023 Paid: 9



**From our Presbytery:** Pray for 1<sup>st</sup> Prebyterian  
Armstrong, Rev. Lori Shannon

**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:**

**Thursday March 2-**Mobile Food Pantry 4:30-6:30

**Sunday March 5-**Congregation Meeting following regular service.

### **Birthdays to Remember this week:**

Julie Christensen-March 1

Emily Hiveley-March 2

Carter Ray-March

### **DO YOU WANT TO FAST THIS LENT?**

Fast from hurting words and say kind words.

Fast from sadness and be filled with gratitude.

Fast from anger and be filled with patience.

Fast from pessimism and be filled with hope.

Fast from worries and trust in God.

Fast from complaints and contemplate simplicity.

Fast from pressures and be prayerful.

Fast from bitterness and fill you heart with joy.

Fast from selfishness and be compassionate to others.

Fast from grudges and be reconciled.

Fast from words and be silent so you can listen.

"CELEBRATING SABBATH" Bible study  
to begin in March.

Contact the office if  
you are interested in joining us.



