

First Presbyterian Church - Lake Park, Iowa

www.fpclakepark.org Worship Service 10:30 am
April 16, 2023 Second Sunday of Easter

Musical Prelude – Time to prepare your heart for Worship

Announcements

Call to Worship: *(read responsively, stand if able)*

L: Christ is risen! He greets us with a word of peace.

C: We welcome the risen Christ! We worship and adore him!

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L: Christ is risen! He has come to bless us with the gift of the Holy Spirit!

C: We welcome the risen Christ! We worship and adore him!

Hymn of Praise: "To God Be The Glory" #56 *(remain standing)*

Call to Confession:

Christ is risen. Yet we often act as if he is still in the tomb. Let us confess all that turns us toward death, so we can know the grace of new life through Christ.

Prayer of Confession:

ALL: Savior God, forgive our doubts and disbelief. You show up in our lives, yet we fail to notice you and demand more proof. We expect more when you have already given us enough. Forgive our lack of faith. Forgive our lack of gratitude. Redeem us. Restore us. Resurrect us for life in Christ. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon:

L: "Jesus came and stood among the disciples and said, "Peace be with you" (John 20:19)

Know that you are forgiven and receive Christ's peace. Alleluia. Amen.

Gloria Patri: # 812

Special Music

Reading of Scriptures

John 6:37 (Page #1657)

1 John 5:13 (Page #1903)

Hymn: "A Child of the King" #574

Sermon: "THE ROAD TO HEAVEN"

Affirmation of Faith: (Apostles' Creed) *(read responsively)*

ALL: I believe in God, the Father almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and Jesus Christ his only son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; 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 he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; 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 for Tithes and Offering

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

Communion:

Invitation to the Table`

L: This table is for all of us, near and far, high, and low, east and west and north and south. This table is for all of us, but it is not our table. It's not a Presbyterian table. It's not an American table. It's God's table, for all of us, and it's a table of grace. So come and take your place at the table. You are welcome, you are invited, you are called; come, let us share this meal together.

Thanksgiving:

L: The Lord be with you.

C: And also, with you.

L: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

L: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Blessing and Sharing of the Elements

L: For I received from the Lord, what I also passed on to you: The Lord Jesus, on the night he was betrayed, took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, "This is my body, which is for you; do this in remembrance of me." In the same way, after supper he took the cup, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood; do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me." For whenever you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

L:" Pour out your Holy Spirit, O God, on your people gathered here, and on these gifts of bread and wine. By your Spirit make us one body in Christ, one in mission and ministry to the world. Nourish us in faith, hope, and love, and strengthen us for service, until we feast with you in glory."

Hymn: "Come to the Table of Grace" *(to be sung as the Elders serve the bread and wine)*

Prayer after Communion:

All: All praise and honor and glory are yours, Father, Son, and Spirit, One God, now and forever. Amen.

Prayer of Thanksgiving:

L: We give you thanks, Lord Christ, for the gifts of grace we have received from your hand at this table.

C: Now send us forth to reflect your light, proclaiming your saving death and resurrection until you come again in glory. Amen

Benediction

Closing Hymn: "Until Then" # 780 *(stand if able)*

MINISTRY LEADERS

Worship Music: Denise Lev **Worship Leader:** Rev. Mark Volkers
+ All members are ministers of Jesus Christ +

4/09/23 - Attendance: 33 Regular Offering: \$922

4/06/23 Maundy Thursday Attendance: 17

4/07/23 Good Friday Attendance: 33

***Reminder: Per Capita for 2023 is \$48.00** 2023 Paid: 16



From our Presbytery: Pray for Wheatland Presbyterian Church, Breda, Iowa.

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

THIS WEEK:

Birthdays:

Today-Lyle Heuer, Mike Ehret

April 19-Ted Doeden

April 21-Krystal Doeden, Pat Forbes, Jamie Kelly

Monday, April 17

Newsletter Deadline

"Celebrating Sabbath" Bible Study to begin at 12:30 p.m. in the Fireside Room. All are welcome.

A Dickinson County Crisis Navigation Guide is available in the office. It is developed with the Dickinson County Hunger Coalition, Dickinson County Behavioral Health Coalition and ISU Service Learning students. The goal of the Crisis Navigation Guide is to provide additional content to the Dickinson County Resource Guide which pertains to Food Insecurity, Housing and Homelessness, Mental Health, Substance Abuse, and Transportation.

From the Synod of Lakes and Prairies....2023 Synod School will be held at BVU in Storm Lake July 23-28. Contact Deb DeMeester (ddemeester@lakesandprairies.org) or Gretchen Milloy (for a catalog) (gmilloy@lakesandprairies.org)

BAKED POTATO BAR

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You may start bringing your items now. Please leave them in classroom E.

Electronics: Small appliances, radios, lamps, etc., are acceptable as long they are in good working order.

Clothing: We welcome gently used coats. Please make sure they are clean, free of tears, and no missing buttons.

Books: Books are always a big item at garage sales. If you are donating books please be sure they are not out dated...such as computer operating manuals, baby care, etc. Books should also be in good condition, covers intact and no mildew.

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