

First Presbyterian Church

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Phone 641-753-5929

9:00 a.m.

April 29, 2018



Confirmation Sunday

Jesus says He is the vine and we are the branches. Sometimes branches grow neatly together; other times they get tangled up! However you feel about the “branches” next to you, greet one another in peace as we prepare to worship our True Vine.

Large print bulletins are available, and **children’s bulletins** are available on the table in the Narthex.

A nursery is available for infants up to 5 years-of-age.

- **Those who are able are invited to stand.**

PRELUDE *The Family of God*

William Gaither

LIFE OF THE CONGREGATION

Moment of silence to prepare your hearts for worship

SONG OF DEVOTION (screen) (please remain seated)

#189 *Alleluia* (vs. 1-4)

LET US WORSHIP GOD TOGETHER

- **CALL TO WORSHIP** (Psalm 100:1-5)

Leader: Shout for joy to the Lord, all the earth.

People: Worship the Lord with gladness; come before Him with joyful songs.

Leader: Know that the Lord is God. It is He who made us, and we are His; we are His people, the sheep of His pasture.

People: Enter His gates with thanksgiving and His courts with praise; give thanks to Him and praise His Name. For the Lord is good and His love endures forever; His faithfulness continues through all generations.

- **INVOCATION**

Leader: Resurrected Lord, You are the giver of new life and the Head of the Church. Your call draws us into fellowship with You and Your people. Come to us as we gather to worship You and encourage us with Your Spirit so that we might live faithful lives. Guard us from the evil one so that the promises we make this day may be fulfilled through Your grace. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

- **SONGS OF PRAISE** (hymnal & screen)

589 *Here I Am, Lord*
In Christ Alone

CALL TO CONFESSION (Hebrews 3:12-14)

Leader: See to it, brothers and sisters, that none of you has a sinful, unbelieving heart that turns away from the living God. But encourage one another daily, as long as it is called "Today," so that none of you may be hardened by sin's deceitfulness. We have come to share in Christ, if indeed we hold our original conviction firmly to the very end.

Let us confess our sin to God and put our trust in His grace to save us. Please join me in silent prayer.

SILENT PRAYER

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Unison: Gracious God, we are people with wayward feet. We commit ourselves to You and then turn and walk away. Help us to stay on the path of Christ. Do not let us be deceived and led astray. Let Your grace guide us through this journey of life so that we might arrive safely in Your Kingdom. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON (Psalm 10:12-18)

Leader: Arise, Lord! Lift up Your hand, O God. Do not forget the helpless. Why does the wicked man revile God? Why does he say to himself, "He won't call me to account?" But You, God, see the trouble of the afflicted; You consider their grief and take it in hand. The victims commit themselves to You; You are the helper of the fatherless. Break the arm of the wicked man; call the evildoer to account for his wickedness that would not otherwise be found out. The Lord is King for ever and ever; the nations will perish from His land. You, Lord, hear the desire of the afflicted; you encourage them, and you listen to their cry, defending the fatherless and the oppressed.

Sisters and brothers in Christ, believe the good news: through faith in Christ we are forgiven.

• AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: *The Apostles' Creed*

Unison: I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and in 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 sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence 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.

• GLORIA PATRI

MORNING PRAYERS

Pastoral Prayer
Prayers for the People
The Lord's Prayer

- **HYMN OF REFLECTION** (hymnal & screen)

#602 *I Have Decided to Follow Jesus*

Children may come down during the last verse of the hymn for the children's sermon.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

OFFERING OUR GIFTS

The Call

Offertory *O Lord, You're Beautiful/More Precious than Silver*
Keith Green/Lynn DeShazo

- *Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him, all creatures here below. Praise Him above, ye heavenly host. Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen*

And Blessing (remain standing and join hands)

Blest Be the Tie That Binds (vs. 1)

*Blest be the tie that binds, our hearts in Christian love;
The fellowship of kindred minds, is like to that above.*

INTRODUCTION & RECEPTION OF CONFIRMANDS

Nolan Bartlett

Owen Bovenmyer

Abby Hala

Derek Peng

Haley Jo Reed

Kevin Strand

SCRIPTURE READING: Acts 11:19-26 NT pg. 1711

SPECIAL MUSIC

SCRIPTURE READING: I Thessalonians 5:1-11 NT pg. 1840

SERMON "Encourage One Another"

Rev. Dr. Richard A. King

LET US LIVE IN THE POWER OF THE RISEN CHRIST

- **SONG OF DEDICATION** (screen)

Build My Life

Jon Rottink

- **CHARGE & BENEDECTION**

- **ORGAN RESPONSE**

- **POSTLUDE**

Joys and Concerns

- **Anna & Andy Randall**, birth of son, Owen Andrew Randall who was born Thursday, 4-26 -2018; **Terry & Rhonda Buzbee** are the proud grandparents
- **Marla Grossman**, back pain

Continuing Joys and Concerns

- **Piper Pietig**, recuperating from Influenza B
- **The Missionaries**, supported by First Presbyterian Church
- **Rev. David Githii**, his ministry
- **Jeanne Brennecke**, in Room 115 at Accura Health Care
- **Mary Lovig**, at Bickford Assisted Living in Room 122
- **Bette Etter**, at Accura Health Care
- **LaVone Lee**, at Grandview in Room 201
- **Connie Montover**, at Grandview Nursing Home
- **Karen Weiny**, Jeff Drummer's mother, at Southridge with MSA, a degenerative disease

Please pray for everyone on our list! Thank you for keeping us informed about joys and concerns. Remember, hospitalized members and friends don't always get on the list at the hospital. We'd rather get several calls than none!
Phone the church at 753-5929
or e-mail church@fpcmarshalltown.org
Please let us know if you'd like the **prayer chain** activated.

The Purpose Statement for First Presbyterian Church of Marshalltown

- G Growing in Christ through *worship*.
- R Reaching out in *fellowship*
- A Affirming faith through *discipleship*
- C Caring for the lost through *evangelism*.
- E Embracing others in mission and *ministry*.

Announcements April 29, 2018

Share with the Lord's people who are in need. Practice hospitality (Romans 12:13).

To whom do I need to be "God with skin on" today?

---Stewardship Committee



April is the month First Presbyterian Church is responsible to bring items for the **House of Compassion Supply Closet**. Grocery bags with the list of needed items will be available during the month of April for your convenience. Some items that are currently in great need of is dish soap, shampoo & laundry soap.

You are invited to attend a **program sponsored by the PWC** on Thursday, May 3, at 1:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. Tom Bower will present the program on his ministry to Lithuania.

Everyone is welcome to attend.

You are invited to "The Return," a mini-musical directed by Deborah Nuss and presented by **Marshalltown Christian School** students at First Presbyterian Church on Saturday, May 5, at 6:00 p.m.

Reservations are \$30 per person for a delicious German dinner, dessert, and the musical. Tickets for the show only will be available at the door for \$5 per person. RSVP by April 25, to MCS office: 641-753-8824.

Bryce King is headed to both Costa Rica (April 29-May 6) and Honduras (May 15-July 2) to do Mission work with Church Plants in Costa Rica at a local university and work with an orphanage, medical clinic, and university ESL classes in Honduras. Bryce would appreciate your prayers, first and foremost, as well as financial support as the two trips in total cost \$5,900. If interested in giving visit <https://h2ocincinnati.cloverdonations.com/bryce-king/>. Feel free to reach out to Bryce via email or phone call if you would like more information. king2b6@mail.uc.edu 641-751-1705.

Pray for **United Presbyterian Church, Garner, Iowa** – CP
Justin Asche.

*The whole world lives in Your love, holy God, and we are Your people.
Send us out in faith to tell Your story and to demonstrate Your truth to
every race and nation, so that, won by Your powerful Word, the world may
join together giving You praise, and living to serve You in Jesus Christ the
Lord. Amen.*

Altar Flowers: were given by **Dean & Mary Baker.**

Worship Leader today: Bethany Wirin

Next Sunday: Lee Wilkinson

Greeters today: Garry & Terri Rottink

Next Sunday: Cathy Peason & Reena

Deacons today: Greg & Suzanne Brown

Next Sunday: Roger & Donita Anders

Fellowship Hosts: Chuck & Jackie Hughes

Next Sunday: Diane Broshar

Nursery today: Deb Williams & _____

Next Sunday: Barb Hawkins & Abra Banissan

Cup Washers today: Natalia Peng

Next Sunday: Diane Broshar

Donuts today: Rich & Arlene Lange

Next Sunday: Roger & Karen Schoell

AV Tech: 9:00 a.m.: Steve Anderson

Next Sunday: 9:00 a.m.: Craig Henze

**If you need a ride to worship or church activities,
contact any Deacon. The list is on the back of the bulletin.**



Members in mission, making a difference

Pastor
Pastoral Care Minister
Youth & Families Director
Office Manager
CE Coordinator
Choir Director
Organist
Assistant Organist
Pianist
Custodian
Assistant Custodian

Rev. Dr. Richard A. King
Rev. Tom Bower
Jon Rottink
Nancy Diggins
Michelle Wilkinson
Valerie King
Wynona Anderson
Marla Grossman
Cindy Butler
Debbie Armstrong
Jan Faber

Elders

Doug Bacon
Gail Boliver
Doug Butler (Clerk)
Mike Gerbo
Pat Kremer
Darrell Meyer
Richie Ritter
Kyle Young

Abra Banissan
Matt Broshar
Don Feld
Lucas Johnson
Julie Lynch
Ed Peng
Heather Rottink

Deacons

Joyce Anderegg
Greg & Suzanne Brown
Margaret Fehrle
Jackie Hughes
Susan Lawyer
Jerry & Lyn Rakowicz

Roger & Donita Anders
Sue Bryant
Bonnie Grimmus
Linda Kauffman
Harlan & Marcia Quick
Barb Vovos

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Calendar for This Week April 29 – May 6

SUNDAY

Confirmation Sunday

8:00 a.m.

Brunch for Confirmands w/Parents & Session - LL

9:00 a.m.

Worship

10:15 a.m.

Gathering/Fellowship Time

10:30 a.m.

Sunday school – All Ages

9:00 - 11:15 a.m.

Child care provided

MONDAY

11:30 a.m.

Sr. Pastor's Cohort - Ackley

TUESDAY

9:00 a.m.

Staff Meeting

6:30 p.m.

M & I Committee Meeting

WEDNESDAY

6:30 p.m.

Youth 101

6:30 p.m.

Bells

7:30 p.m.

Choir

8:30 p.m.

Praise Team Practice

THURSDAY

8:30 a.m.

Flapjacks

12:00 p.m.

Oasis

12:00 p.m.

National Day of Prayer – Courthouse Lawn

1:00 p.m.

PWC Spring Gathering – Fellowship Hall

5:00 p.m.

Boy Scout Fundraiser – Fellowship Hall

FRIDAY

9:30 a.m.

Church Women United – Hope UMC

SATURDAY

9:00a – 12:00p

Marshalltown Christian School Musical Practice - Sanctuary

6:00 p.m.

Marshalltown Christian School Fundraiser

NEXT SUNDAY

9:00 a.m.

Worship - Communion

10:15 a.m.

Gathering/Fellowship Time

10:30 a.m.

Sunday School – All Ages

9:00 – 10:45 a.m.

Child care provided

11:30 a.m.

New Members Class

2:00 p.m.

Awesome Presbys