

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH October 12, 2025
*"The person who loves their dream of community will destroy
community, but the person who loves those around them will
create community."
~ Dietrich Bonhoeffer, Life Together: The Classic Exploration of
Christian Community*

TRINITY BELLS

*OPENING MUSIC "Better Is One Day"

*CALL TO WORSHIP
Leader: Turn us, O God,
People: away from the world's temptations and distractions.
Leader: Return us, O God,
People: to the quiet calm of your presence.
Leader: Restore us, O God,
People: to the path you call us to follow.
Leader: Orient us, O God,
People: to the hope of all that is possible through you.

*#579 GLORIA PATRI

CHANCEL CHOIR ANTHEM "On Eagle's Wings"

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

TIME OF CONFESSION
**God, our refuge, you lift up the lowly and hold out hope to the
hopeless. Yet we who receive our grace so freely do not follow
your example. We are quick to judge, eager to criticize, slow
to show mercy. We gather and keep for ourselves what was
meant to be shared. We diminish and dehumanize those
around us. God of us all, hear this confession. Receive it. We
ask for your forgiveness. Amen.**

*(now that we have confessed as a congregation, let us confess our
own sins in the silence of our hearts)*

ASSURANCE OF PARDON (Isaiah 43:1)
Leader: Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have called you
by name, you are mine. In the name of Jesus Christ, we
are forgiven.

People: Amen.

OFFERING
Prayer of Dedication
*Doxology

*CONGREGATIONAL HYMN
#379 "My Hope is Built on Nothing Less"

*PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

SONG OF PREPARATION "Our God"

SCRIPTURE READING 2 Kings 5: 1-15c
Luke 17:11-19

SERMON "God Is In the Healing Business"
Rev. Paul Masters

*SONG OF REFLECTION "Great Are You Lord"

*PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

*BLESSING AND BENEDICTION

*SENDING MUSIC

*Children up through 5th grade are invited to Children's
Church in the CLC hallway which begins after the Moment For
Young Leaders. If they'd prefer to stay seated, worship bags are
by the door.*

*We have the CLC rooms 108/109 available for parents to sit
with their children. The service can be streamed on a tv in the
rooms.*

Prayers for October 12th – 18th

Members of the Congregation:

Nola Humes, Floyd Herum & Ed Deal

Friends of the Congregation:

Missy Nelson (Friend of the Moeller Family),

Roxie Morris (Friend of Peg Christensen) &

Edmilson Alves (Gabriel's Uncle)

Prayer Families:

Judith Garton

Dean & Donita Getting

Barbara & Tom Gollob

Kacee Gollob

Pray for: (a ministry in our Presbytery; a ministry in Fort Dodge)

Lone Rock Presbyterian Church &

Calvary Memorial Church of God in Christ

Stewardship News

Attendance on October 5th was 119 (90, 11 FB, 18 YT). The offering on 10/05/25 was \$14,997.97. The amount needed each week is \$11,118.00. The total contributions through 10/05/25 are \$351,779.98. The amount needed through 10/05/25 is \$424,190.00.



Thank you to our volunteers today

Ushers: Steve & Carol Pederson

Vocals: Joe & Teresa Jackson

Musicians: Megan Cassady, JB Kilpeck, Isac Jamba & Gabriel Alves

Bus Driver: Ted Hughhins

Elder: Mike Becker

We are grateful for the gift of chancel flowers given by Jill & Dave Lohff and John & Linda Hallgren in memory of Bruce and Frances Hallgren.

BINGO!

Join Karen Amman for BINGO in the commons the first Wednesday of each month. The next one will be November 5th. BINGO will begin at 3:30 pm and go until 5:00 pm so you can enjoy the all-ages dinner. There is a tote for BINGO prize donations outside the office.

Bus Drivers & Church Openers

We are looking for a fourth person to join our monthly rotation to open our church, make coffee, drive the bus to Friendship Haven and re-lock our church. If you are interested, please contact Church office 515-576-2091.

Harry's Pantry

If you would like to donate to our little pantry at the Shalom Center, non-perishable or personal hygiene donations can be donated at the pantry or put in the shopping cart in the Narthex. For monetary donations, please write 'Harry's Pantry' in the memo line of your check, or you can donate on SecureGive by clicking on the 'Harry's Pantry' line.

Congregational Meeting – October 26th

We'll have a congregational meeting on Sunday, October 26th at the end of worship.



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Executive Pastor, Chris Helton
Director of Music, Gabriel Alves
A/V Tech. & Comm. Director, Mary Alves
A/V Specialist, Kristal Torres
515-576-2091
October 12, 2025

Website: www.fpcfd.org
YouTube: FPC Fort Dodge



379 My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less

SOLID ROCK LM with refrain

Edward Mote, c. 1834

William Batchelder Bradbury, 1863

1. My hope is built on noth-ing less Than Je - sus' blood and
2. When dark-ness veils His love - ly face, I rest on His un -
3. His oath, His cov - e - nant, His blood Sup - port me in the
4. When He shall come with trum-pet sound, O may I then in

righ - teous-ness; I dare not trust the sweet-est frame, But whol-ly
chang-ing grace; In ev - ery high and storm-y gale, My an-chor
whelm-ing flood; When all a-round my soul gives way, He then is
Him be found, Dressed in His righ - teous - ness a - lone, Fault - less to

Refrain
lean on Je - sus' name.
holds with - in the veil. On Christ, the sol - id Rock, I stand; All
all my hope and stay.
stand be - fore the throne.

oth - er ground is sink-ing sand, All oth - er ground is sink-ing sand.

Our God

Water You turned into wine
Opened the eyes of the blind
There's no one like You
None like You

Into the darkness You shine
Out of the ashes we rise
There's no one like You
None like You

Our God is greater
Our God is stronger
God You are higher than any other
Our God is healer
Awesome in power our God our God

And if our God is for us
Then who could ever stop us
And if our God is with us
Then what could stand against
And if our God is for us
Then who could ever stop us
And if our God is with us
Then what could stand against
(Then) what could stand against

Great Are You Lord

You give life You are love
You bring light to the darkness
You give hope You restore ev'ry heart that is broken
And great are You Lord

It's Your breath in our lungs
So we pour out our praise
We pour out our praise
It's Your breath in our lungs
So we pour out our praise to You only

And all the earth will shout Your praise
Our hearts will cry these bones will sing
Great are You Lord
(REPEAT)

Better Is One Day

How lovely is Your dwelling place
O Lord almighty
For my soul longs and even faints for You
For here my heart is satisfied
Within Your presence
I sing beneath the shadow of Your wings

Better is one day in Your courts
Better is one day in Your house
Better is one day in Your courts
Than thousands elsewhere
(Than thousands elsewhere)

One thing I ask and I would seek
To see Your beauty
To find You in the place
Your glory dwells
(REPEAT)

My heart and flesh cry out
For You the living God
Your Spirit's water to my soul
I've tasted and I've seen
Come once again to me
I will draw near to You
I will draw near to You to You

Better is one day better is one day
Better is one day than thousands elsewhere
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