

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

November 2, 2025

*"All the great things are simple, and many can be expressed in a single word:
freedom, justice, honour, duty, mercy, hope."
~ Winston Churchill*

TRINITY BELLS

*OPENING MUSIC

"Holy Is The Lord"

*CALL TO WORSHIP

(based on Micah 6:6-8)

Leader: With what shall we come before the Lord? What shall we bring into the presence of our God, as an expression of our worship and praise?

People: Shall we bring him all that we own – our finest possessions, our life-savings, our investments and property? Would God be satisfied if we brought everything we possess?

Leader: No, that's not what God is looking for. God has told you what is good, and what he expects of you:

People: To do justice. To love mercy. To walk humbly before him. This we shall do with all of our hearts, mind and strength.

*#579 GLORIA PATRI

CHANCEL CHOIR ANTHEM

"If My People Will Pray"

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

TIME OF CONFESSION

(based on Micah 6:6-8)

Far too often, O God, we desire to look wise in the eyes of the world.

We have not spoken truth with our hearts. We have said and done hurtful things to our friends. We have forgotten our true identity, wandering into ways that are not yours. We have lost the path of true worship, focusing on form and words rather than deeds. We have forgotten what true discipleship is.

And because of this, you have a quarrel with us. Forgive us and help us live into becoming the people you have created and called us to be: people of justice and love and truth and humility, and yes, even foolishness. May we be fools for Christ, embracing our true identity, even in the face of the world's scorn and derision.

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

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: God has called us and blesses us when we live God's way and not the world's.

People: God's love embraces us even when we fall short of what God desires for our lives and actions.

Leader: Know that the God of blessing loves and forgives us with a fierce tenderness.

People: And in so knowing, may our lives and souls be transformed.

OFFERING

Prayer of Dedication

*Doxology

*CONGREGATIONAL HYMN

#209 "My Song Forever Shall Record"

*PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Oaklynn Marie Powell

Daughter of Adam & Samantha Powell

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

SONG OF PREPARATION

"Grace Flows Down"

SCRIPTURE READING

Isaiah 1:10-18

Luke 19:1-10

SERMON

"What Does the Lord Require"

Rev. Paul Masters

CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

*COMMUNION SONG

"The Table"

*PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

*BLESSING AND BENEDICTION

*SENDING MUSIC

Helpful Notes

- 1) We say "debts" and "debtors" in the Lord's Prayer
- 2) Asterisks (*) = Please stand as you are able
- 3) Offering – Our offering basket can be found in the entrance to the sanctuary or you can give electronically using the QR code found in the 'Stewardship News' section of this bulletin

Prayers for November 2nd – 8th

Members of the Congregation:

Nola Humes, Floyd Herum, Ed Deal, Bernadette Ricke, Shanda Birkett,
Harlan VandeBerg, Mary Lage & Karen Amman

Friends of the Congregation:

Missy Nelson (Friend of the Moeller Family),
Roxie Morris (Friend of Peg Christensen),
Edmilson Alves (Gabriel's Uncle),
Dana Miller (Don Miller's Sister-in-Law) &
Joan Meyer

Prayer Families:

Kim Harrell
Kristen Harrell
Bruce & Tracy Hartley
Grace Hartley

Pray for:

 (a ministry in our Presbytery; a ministry in Fort Dodge)

McCallsburg Presbyterian Church &
Community of Christ - RCLDS

Stewardship News

Attendance on October 26th was 146 (110, 15 FB, 21 YT). The offering on 10/26/25 was \$11,050.00. The amount needed each week is \$11,118.00. The total contributions through 10/26/25 are \$375,846.43. The amount needed through 10/26/25 is \$457,5440.00.



Thank you to our volunteers today

Ushers: Gary Gronbach & Jean Stanley

Communion Servers: Joyce Garton-Natte, Liddy Hora, Linda Whiting & Bruce Walrod

Vocals: Jan Moeller

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

Bus Driver: Steve Hulsebus

Elder: Jim Peck

Upcoming Christian Concert – Blake & Jenna

Award winning Christian Vocal Duo, Blake & Jenna Bolerjack, coming in concert. As husband and wife, Blake & Jenna meld their voices to create a signature, velvety blend. Their music reflects their personalities: a bubbly mix of classic and modern styles with a big sound that is energetic, happy and inspiring. They also will share their testimonies about how even in dark times God never leaves you. Come listen to them at the Laramar Ballroom Friday, November 7th at 6:30 pm. This concert will be free admission with a free will donation.

Harvest Home

We will have our Harvest Home Meal on Sunday, November 23rd after worship! Please bring your own place setting and a side dish to share.

BINGO!

Join Karen Amman for BINGO in the commons the first Wednesday of each month. The next one will be **THIS WEDNESDAY**, 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.

Santa

Santa is coming to town and our church! Come see him Saturday, November 29th from 2-4 pm in the CLC. If you would like to volunteer or help decorate, please contact Jim Peck or Mike Waddell.

Feed My Starving Children MobilePack

We are bringing a couple groups to help pack meals for Feed My Starving Children on Saturday December 6th at the Community Christian School Gym. If you would like to be a part of one of the groups, please contact Bruce Walrod at (515) 351-9737.



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My Song Forever Shall Record

ST. PETERSBURG 8.8.8.8.8.8

The Psalter, 1912; alt.

Dimitri S. Bortniansky, 1825; alt.

1. My song for - ev - er shall re - cord The ten - der mer - cies
 2. Al - might - y God, Thy loft - y throne Has jus - tice for its
 3. The swell - ing sea o - beys Thy will; Its an - gry waves Thy
 4. With bless - ing is the na - tion crowned Whose peo - ple know the

of the Lord; Thy faith - ful - ness will I pro - claim, And
 cor - ner - stone; And shin - ing bright be - fore Thy face Are
 voice can still. The heavens and earth, by right di - vine, The
 joy - ful sound; They in the light, O Lord, shall live, The

ev - ery age shall know Thy name. I sing of mer - cies
 truth and love and bound - less grace. The heavens shall join in
 world and all there - in are Thine; The whole cre - a - tion's
 light Thy face and fa - vor give. Their fame and might to

that en - dure, For - ev - er build - ed firm and sure.
 glad ac - cord To praise Thy won - drous works, O Lord.
 won - drous frame Pro - claims its Mak - er's glo - rious name.
 Thee be - long, For in Thy fa - vor they are strong.

Grace Flows Down

Amazing grace how sweet the sound
 Amazing love now flowing down
 From hands and feet that were nailed to the tree
 Grace flows down and covers me

It covers me
 It covers me
 It covers me
 And covers me

The Table

I will feast at the table of the Lord
I will feast at the table of the Lord
I won't hunger anymore at His table

Come all you weary come and find
His yoke is easy His burden is light
He is able He will restore
At the table of the Lord
(At the table of the Lord)

There is peace at the table of the Lord
There is peace at the table of the Lord
I won't worry anymore at His table

There is healing at the table of the Lord
There is healing at the table of the Lord
Oh and I won't suffer anymore at His table

I'm invited to the table of the Lord
I'm invited to the table of the Lord
He says come just as you are to His table

I know He has a place for me
Oh what joy will fill my heart
With the saints around the mercy seat of God

Holy Is The Lord

We stand and lift up our hands
For the joy of the Lord is our strength
We bow down and worship Him now
How great how awesome is He

And together we sing
Ev'ryone sing

Holy is the Lord God Almighty
The earth is filled with His glory
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The earth is filled with His glory

It is rising up all around
It's the anthem of the Lord's renown
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