

Christ the King/Reign of Christ

8:50 a.m. November 25, 2018

Welcome members, friends and visitors to our service this morning. We would ask you all to complete the friendship pad located in your pew. Thank you for your help. Welcome Packets for our visitors and guests are available at the Visitor Center.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WELCOME

PRELUDE Landon
"Where He Leads Me"

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good.

People: God's steadfast love endures forever.

Leader: Give thanks to the Lord and call upon his name.

People: Make known God's deeds among the peoples!

Leader: God blesses us with gifts of love:

People: with food and clothing, home and family.

Leader: God calls us into relationship with him:

People: and forms us into one holy people, the Church of Jesus Christ in this place.

Leader: Therefore we offer thanks and praise to the Lord our God.

People: We will give thanks forever to the Lord our God.

* HYMN 551

"Come, Ye Thankful People, Come"

* OPENING PRAYER ~Samuel F. Pugh

O God, as we gather to worship you, help us to count our blessings but also to be moved by them. When we have food, help us to remember the hungry. When we have work, help us to remember the jobless. When we have a home, help us to remember those who have no home at all. When we are without pain, help us to remember those who

suffer. And remembering, help us to destroy our complacency, deepen our compassion, and be concerned enough to help, by word and deed, those who cry out for what we often take for granted. Amen.

* GLORIA PATRI 579

CHILDREN'S TIME Kirk Jensen

HYMN 554

"Let All Things Now Living"

JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

SCRIPTURE READING Psalm 9:1-2, 7-11
(Page 434 in the Pew Bibles)

SCRIPTURE READING Matthew 6:25-33
(Page 787-788 in the Pew Bibles)

SERMON Clint Loveall
An antidote for anxiety

* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH ~French Reformed Creed

**I believe in God the Father almighty, our creator,
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our redeemer.**

I believe in the Holy Spirit, our comforter.

I believe in the Eternal God, in his holiness which condemns me, in his love which redeems me, in his presence which renews me. Amen.

OFFERING

Offertory Seymour
"Prayer of Thanks"

* Doxology

* Prayer of Dedication

* HYMN 559

"We Gather Together"

* BENEDICTION ~~Back cover of Hymnal
"Go Now In Peace"

POSTLUDE

"Postlude of Praise"

Allen

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

Nursery Available for Pre-K and under

- **Large print "BULLETINS AND HYMNALS" are available from an Usher-**
- ***Busy Bags available in the Narthex***
- ***Coffee is served immediately following the Worship Service in Fellowship Hall.***

Participating in this morning's Reformed service are: Clint Loveall & Michael Gewecke, Pastors; Ryan Davelaar, Liturgist; Charlene Radcliffe, Organist; Ushers are Wayne & Kathleen Johnson, Sandy Krout & Deb Ditsworth; Greeters are Art & Phyllis Attema; Jackie Jenkins, Mike Reekers & Tom Ditsworth, Sound; Keith Brockmeyer, Video; Amy Profit is in charge of the Nursery; Ron Jenkins, Jim & Mary Quitno prepared our coffee.



First Presbyterian Church
3501 Hill Ave., Spirit Lake, IA 51360
(712)336-1649
office@fpcspiritleake.org
www.fpcspiritleake.org

Thank You

There are hardly words to adequately thank the congregation for your unbelievable generosity at our annual pie auction. Your steadfast support of our youth was yet again on full display and we raised an astonishing \$7,500 in pie and silent auction sales. Thank you for investing in the faith and lives of the next generation through your prayers, financial gifts, and examples of Christian discipleship!

Pastor Michael

Dear Friends at First Presbyterian Church,

Thank you very much for all the yarn and hygiene products you have given the girls of Forest Ridge. The socks will be greatly appreciated now with the cold weather.

With much love to you,

Mary Quitno and the Forest Ridge Girls

Operation Christmas Child Thanks You

The final count of shoe box gifts contributed to Operation Christmas Child from our Church this year was 108! WOW; what an awesome response to this mission work at FPC! Thank YOU! Special "Thank You's" go out to Eulyn Riemersma for knitting the caps and dolls, Rosemary Stellinga, Donna Rieck, Pat Heiser & Kathy Krueger for sewing the knitted dolls, and John Calsbeek for the wooden cars.

Advent Readers Needed

We are looking for readers and candle lighters for our Advent services. If you and your family would like to participate in the advent wreath during one of the services in December, please let us know. We will be using readers at both services, so you can select a date and time that works best for you. (Dec. 2, 9, 16, 23 at either 8:50am or 11:15am and Dec. 24 at 4pm or 6pm). Please let us know if you have an interest in doing this so we can manage the schedule. Thank you.

Congregational Meeting

Our Congregational Meeting will be held immediately following our Reformed Worship Service this morning at 10am for the election of new officers. All members are encouraged to attend.

High School Hockey Outing

All High School students are invited to join us for a trip to Sioux City on December 8th to watch the Sioux City Musketeers take on the Sioux Falls Stampede. We will be leaving First Presbyterian Church at 2:00pm leaving plenty of time to browse the Sioux City mall and eat your choice of dinner in the food court. We will go to the game at 7:05pm and return immediately following. The cost for transportation and the game is \$10, supper and any shopping at the mall is your own expense. RSVPs must be submitted to Pastor Michael to attend the trip by Wednesday Dec. 5th. We hope you will join us for this exciting winter fellowship event!

Advent Sermon Series

The Music and Message of Christmas

This year we will be letting some favorite songs of Christmas guide our advent journey. Each week, we will use a song that highlights a particular part of the Christmas story and tie it to the part of the Bible that inspired the music. Hopefully, not only will it mean you get to hear and sing your favorite Christmas Hymn, we also get to learn something from the scene it describes. Hope you can join us as we begin our path toward the manger.

Dec. 2nd – Waiting for a King – “O Come, O Come, Emmanuel”

Dec. 9th – Looking for Christmas – “We 3 Kings”

Dec. 16th – A Christmas you didn’t expect – “O Little Town of Bethlehem”

Dec 23rd – Everyone’s Invited – “Angels We Have Heard on High”

Dec 24th – What happens when Christmas arrives? – “Silent Night”



Wednesday, November 28th

Meal: Pasta Bar

Meal Crew: **Meal Crew Helpers Needed**

2nd Service Ushers/Greeters Needed

We are in need of Ushers/Greeters for our 2nd Service. Responsibilities include distributing bulletins and greeting worshippers at the center sanctuary doors as well as taking a head count of worshippers (including praise and worship team and those in the nursery. A sign-up sheet is located in the narthex. Sign up for one week or whatever works with your schedule.

Congregational Life trip to Algona

The Congregational Life Committee would like to invite you to visit the Algona P.O.W. museum and nativity Saturday, December 15th. We will leave the church parking lot at 2pm. We should arrive at the museum about 3:30. After about an hour at the museum we will go and see the nativity scene constructed by the German P.O.W.'s while they were held at Camp Algona during WWII. Viewing of the nativity scene will be followed by dinner and fellowship at a nice restaurant in Algona. Each person will pay for their own dinner and admission to the museum is \$3 per person. Please RSVP in the church office or to tonyjill.jennings@gmail.com so we can let the restaurant know how many to expect.

Attention Sewers

The children's and lap quilts are now in the fellowship hall and ready for completion. Please take them home and complete one or as many as you like. These quilts have been given in the past to CAASA, Dickinson County Public Health for the "New Moms" program, Lakes Regional Healthcare for the new babies, Gentiva Hospice and Hilltop Care Center. Your help with this project provides warmth to many members of our community and beyond.



Youth Christmas Program

Save the date for our Youth Christmas Program set for Sunday, December 16th during our Reforming (2nd) Worship Service at 11:15am.

Christmas Eve Ushers & Greeters Needed

See the sign-up sheet in the narthex.

Sound, Audio & Video Volunteers

If you are interested in learning more about our new system or are currently volunteering, please contact Tom Ditsworth at 336-1649 or tom@fpcspiritlake.org for information on upcoming training sessions on the new system.

Advent Poinsettias

This year we will be supporting the Cherish Center as our Mission Project. If you are willing to share a poinsettia with us and donate to the Cherish Center, the cost is \$15. For a poinsettia only \$11.75. Please contact Cheri in the office at 336-1649 and let her know if this poinsettia is in memory of, or honoring someone.

Ladies of the Church

Mark your calendar for our Annual Christmas Luncheon scheduled for Thursday, December 13th at 12:30pm. Please invite all your friends. **Also, we are in need of bakers of Christmas cookies and candy. If you are interested in baking 2 dozen treats for this event, please sign up on the sheet in the narthex.**

Recharge Craft supply requests

- Fiber fill (for a pillow project)

Please leave supplies in the craft room. Thanks!

Jill Jennings

SHARE YOUR GIFTS . . .

One of the most rewarding opportunities is having a positive impact on others. Interested in one of these opportunities? Consider being a House Staff member at the Cherish House in Spirit Lake. Shifts are approximately 3-4 days and include overnights. To learn more, please contact the Cherish Center at 712-338-3333, or email info@cherishcenter.org.

Rides to and from church for this week is Merlin Stover ~ 330-3530, next week is Lori Vicker ~ (515)249-6684

Hospital Deacon: Merlin Stover

Week of December 2

Reformed Worship Service

Liturgist: Kelly Swancutt

Ushers: Ron Niebruegge, Gene Ringsdorf, Bob Peterson

Greeters:

Nursery: Laurie Steinkuehler

Video: Wes Farmer

Sound: T Ditsworth, J Jenkins, & M Reekers

Coffee: Ron Jenkins, Edna VanderWolde & Jan Bowles

Reforming Worship Service

Praise Team:

Usher/Greeter:

Nursery: Sarah Dirks

Sound & Power Point:

Upcoming Events

Sunday, November 25

8:15am-Prayer in the Chapel

8:50am-Reformed Worship Service

10:00am-Congregational Meeting

No Sunday School

No Confirmation Class

No Adult Ed

11:15am-Reforming Worship Service

Monday, November 26

9am-PW Sewing

Tuesday, November 27

1:30pm-Women's Bible Study

Wednesday, November 28

4:45pm-Weekly Prayer

5:30pm-Recharge

7pm-Handbell Practice

7:15pm-HS Youth Group

8pm-Choir Practice

Thursday, November 29

9am-Men's Bible

11:53am-ACT II

Sunday, December 2

8:15am-Prayer in the Chapel

8:50am- Reformed Worship Service

10:00am-Coffee and fellowship

10:15am-Sunday School

10:15am-Confirmation Class

10:30am-Adult Ed

11:15am-Reforming Worship Service

**Each week we remember
First Pres families in prayer,
this week please pray for**

Phyllis Egeland
1502 Memphis Ave., #13, Spirit Lake
Gene & Renae Rosenberg
13926 253rd Ave., Spirit Lake

Please pray for our members and friends of this church family who are facing various

health concerns: Maddie DeWitt, Chris Koehler, Jody Ferguson, Judy Arens, Mary Smith, Barb Hanisch, Pat Dalton, Lori Johnson, Pat Kelly, Mike Wiley, Marj Roseberry, Kathy Huitink, Denice (Wiersma), Bart Duncan, Laurie Phillips, Nan Woods, Travis Sweissburger, Rod Johnson, Laura Fagen's Mom, Pat, Tomy Norman, Margaret Plunkett, Heath Huberg, Reba Williams, Kevin Grems mother, Vicki, John Knabe's nephew, Dietrich, Kathy Nygaard, Wilma Clauson, Steve Thompson, Blake Smith, Mandi Rodger, Larry Gearke, Jim Watts, Sr., John Heim, Jan Richards, Macy Jennings, Elaine DenHerder, Paul Ostendorf, Jennie Heathcote, Jim Gayle, Melody Peyton, Dave Fagen, Peter Knabe, Brenda Wilson, Adam Dreeszen, Kristen Martin, Brent Kasson, Marty Jenkins, Patti Meyer, Dorothy Fiala, Marcia Hill, Bill Kramer, Gary Eaton, Chuck Dunn, Jack Burrell, Pauly Eaton, Beth Primavera, Gloria Ditsworth, Jim Ellingson, Gary Hansen, Bev Quail, Dave Bartels, Keith Swancutt, Craig Cobb, Scott & Elaine Greer, Connie Rohlk, Sherry Fuhrman, Pat Lamoroux, Jay Anderson, Donna Rieck

Please pray for our members and friends who serve in the Armed Forces: Staff SGT **Jamie Lewis**, 1st LT **Whitney Lewis**, 7017 Arnold Ave., Unit A, JBER, AK 99506; SFC **Frederick, Jesse**, 975 Culverson Ct., Clarksville, TN 37040; 1st Class PO **Billy Joe Travis**, 8583 Aero Drive, Apt 2043, San Diego, CA 92123; PFC; **Colton Petersen**, 1st LT **James Fliss**, , CPL **Kenten Murray**, MSG Detachment, Unit 6010, Box 10, DPO AB 09825-6010

Missionaries

Regan Beauchamp
45794 266th St
Humboldt, SD 57035

prisonchurch@svtv.com

Regan is the Senior Chaplin with the South Dakota Prison Chaplains Association. His primary responsibility is to lead the prison congregation and oversee the volunteers. He and his wife pastor Prison Lighthouse Fellowship (PLF). Their church is in the maximum security unit (Jamison Annex) of the South Dakota State Penitentiary. Regan provides counseling, church services and Bible Studies on a weekly basis along with volunteer chaplains from the Spirit Lake community such as Mark Leiss and Harold Overmann. First Presbyterian Church has supported Regan since 1993.

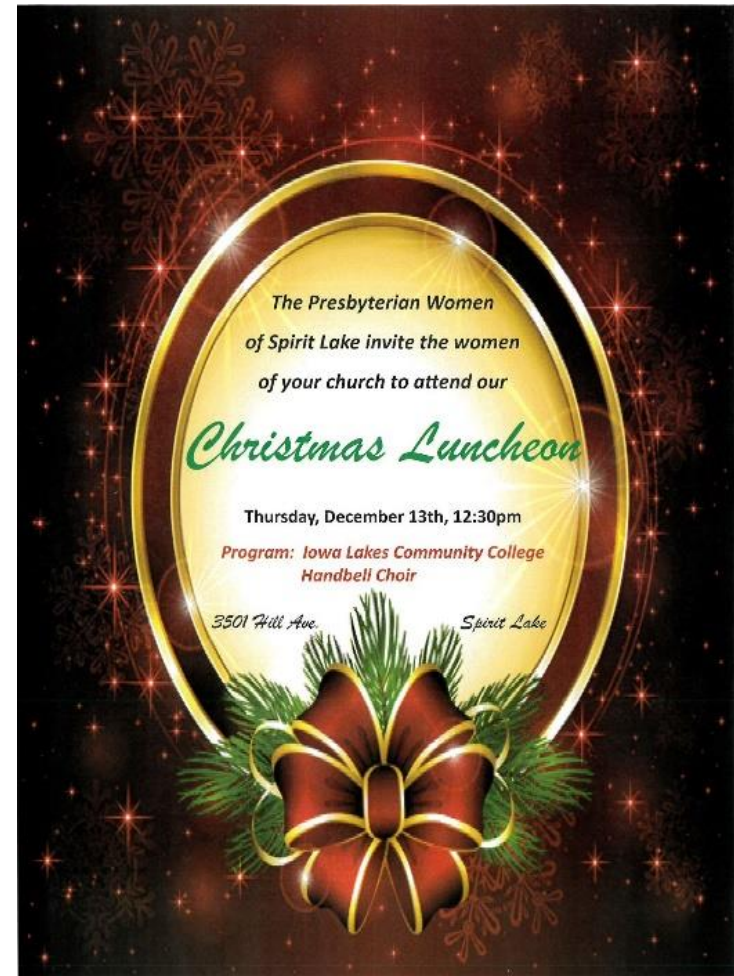
Grand Avenue Community Outreach

The idea was conceived and patterned after the Dream Center in Los Angeles, California. The concept is to provide services to those in need throughout the region at one location. It opened in 2011 after a two year miraculous renovation of the former Tangny Hotel, which was offered to the Day Spring Assembly of God Church as a place to house the Center. Ministries included are a food pantry, clothing distribution, prom and wedding dress loans, free medical and dental services, teen youth center, after school tutoring program and a coffee shop.

Becky Linn
1849 Fox Trail
Winterset, IA 50273

followhard@techserviceco.com

Becky is a Speaker/Musician with Follow Hard Ministries. She has spent the last 25 years traveling full-time throughout the United States, Canada and abroad, speaking and singing for women's conferences and retreats and spending her summer months leading VBS programs in churches and camps. Becky co-writes materials and songs with Sherri Hotze, her administrative assistant. Follow Hard Ministries has been partnering in ministry with the First Presbyterian Church of Spirit Lake for a few years through women's retreats and Vacation Bible School. First Presbyterian Church has supported Becky since 2012.



2018 Many Voices Choir Holiday Concert



St. John the Baptist Catholic Church, Bancroft, IA

November 25, 3:30 PM

Good Shepherd Catholic Church, Jackson, MN

November 29, 7:30 PM

St. Patricks Catholic Church, Estherville, IA

December 1, 1:30 PM

St. Mary's Catholic Church, Spirit Lake, IA

December 1, 7:30 PM

(A Freewill offering will be collected)

Tim Schumacher, Conductor

Jennifer Johnson, Accompanist