

## WELCOME FRIENDS

**Welcome to First Presbyterian Church.** Please sign the Fellowship Register and pass it along to those around you. Visitors, please include your name, address, zip code, and phone number. When the register returns, note the names of people near you and greet one another after the service.

**VISITORS**, please accept our invitation to worship with us regularly and be sure to pick up a white visitor welcome bag, located in the back of the sanctuary on the Welcome Desk.

**Sound enhancement devices** that can accommodate a T-switch on a hearing aid, or can be fitted with a personal earpiece, are available in the sanctuary. Ask any usher for details, or see the sound engineer at the sound desk at the front of the sanctuary.

**Emergency Information.** An AED (Automated External Defibrillator) is located on the west wall of the Narthex (back of Sanctuary) and a second AED is outside the Parlor kitchen in the Christian Education building.

**Enjoy Fellowship Time in Fellowship Hall this morning!** All members and visitors are invited to stop by and say "hello." Today's Fellowship Host is Val Horvat. If you are available to host fellowship hour on Sunday morning, please contact Frances Keller (563-386-3878), or leave a note at the Welcome Desk.

**Childcare for infants and toddlers through four-years of age is provided** from 8:15 AM - 12:15 PM in the Little Saints and Angels Nursery (on the third floor of the Christian Education building). Access is possible via the curved stairway just beyond the Sanctuary door to the right of the Chancel (front of the Sanctuary).

**Music Notes:** The *Sanctuary Choir* and *Cherub Choir* provide music leadership this morning. The offertory/anthem is Paul Mealor's (b. 1975) setting of a prayer by contemporary Welsh poet Grahame Davies.

Next Sunday, November 12, *Vesper Bells*, Paul Hartmann, and the *Sanctuary Choir* provide music for worship.

**Worship Hosts for TODAY:** 9:00 AM - *Head Worship Host:* Terry Ousley. *Worship Hosts:* Frances Keller, Doug Wells, and Ami Wells. 11:00 AM - *Head Worship Host:* Jed Steckel. *Worship Host:* Katie Borth.

## JOYS AND CONCERNS

**Prayers are Welcome for:** The Arp Family (*death of wife, mother, and grandmother, Elna Arp*); Jean Bowman; Tom and Brenda Boyd; Robin Ciccotelli; Richard Dillingham (*father of Abby Scales*); Sue Ervin; Sean Jacobsmeier; Margarette and Steve Johnson; Jay McQuillen; Jeff Paul; Peter and LaWanda Roudebush; Ward Shawver; Sara Sinclair; families and victims of abuse, violence, and all recent natural disasters.

**Mission Partners:** Rev. José Pilar Alvare Cabrera and Rev. Nestor Eduardo Alvarez (*leaders of ILUGUA, Zacapa, Guatemala*), Rev. Herbert and Alice Chikomo in Harare, Zimbabwe.

**Hospital visits** by the Pastor to members and friends of the church, are made only with a patient's permission.

**Printed Prayer Requests** for members and friends also require permission from the person(s) in need of prayer before prayers are printed in the bulletin or mentioned during Sunday Prayer. Printed requests are in the bulletin for one month, or you can share with the Pastor or church office if you no longer wish to remain on the prayer list. The best way to assure a hospital visit or a prayer is to have you, a family member, or a friend directly notify the church office (563-326-1691).

**The Prayer Chain** connects those in need of prayer with church members who are committed to a ministry of prayer. Those asking for prayer on the Prayer Chain will not be included in the bulletin unless specifically requested. All requests may be directed to Mary Ann Francois (563-355-5292).

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## \*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

**Our neighbors are all around us, O God. We pray that as we offer our gifts, they might be used not only to bring sisters and brothers closer to you, but closer to us as well. This we pray in Jesus' name. Amen.**

## GO TO SERVE WITH GOD'S BLESSING

## \*RECESSIONAL HYMN

"O Word of God Incarnate"

MUNICH



1. O\_\_ Word of God in - car - nate, O Wis - dom from on high,
2. The church from You, dear Sav - ior, Re - ceived this\_\_ gift di - vine,
3. O\_\_ make Your church, dear Sav - ior, A lamp of\_\_ pur - est gold



O\_\_ Truth un - changed, un - chang - ing, O Light of\_\_ our dark sky;  
And still that light is lift - ed On all the\_\_earth to shine.  
To\_\_ bear be - fore the na - tions Your true light, as of old;



We praise You for the ra - diance That from the hal - lowed page,  
It is the chart and com - pass That, all life's voy - age through,  
O teach Your wan - dering pil - grims By this our path to trace,



A lan - tern to our foot - steps, Shines on from age to age.  
A - mid the rocks and quick - sands, Still guides, O Christ, to You.  
Till, clouds and storms thus end - ed, We see You face to face.

## SENDING ANTHEM 9:00 AM

"A Clare Benediction"

John Rutter

The Sanctuary Choir

## CHARGE AND BLESSING

## \*CONGREGATIONAL BENEDICTION RESPONSE

**May the Lord, Mighty God, bless and keep us forever.  
Grant us peace; perfect peace, courage in every endeavor.  
Lift up our eyes to see God's face and God's grace forever.  
May the Lord, Mighty God, bless and keep us forever.**  
The Sanctuary Choir and Congregation

## POSTLUDE

"Salamanca"

Guy Bovet

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 2017  
TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST  
TIFFANY HORVATH, DIRECTOR OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

SERVICE OF WORSHIP AT 9:00 AND 11:00 AM

Joshua 24:1-3a, 14-25

Psalm 78:1-7

1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

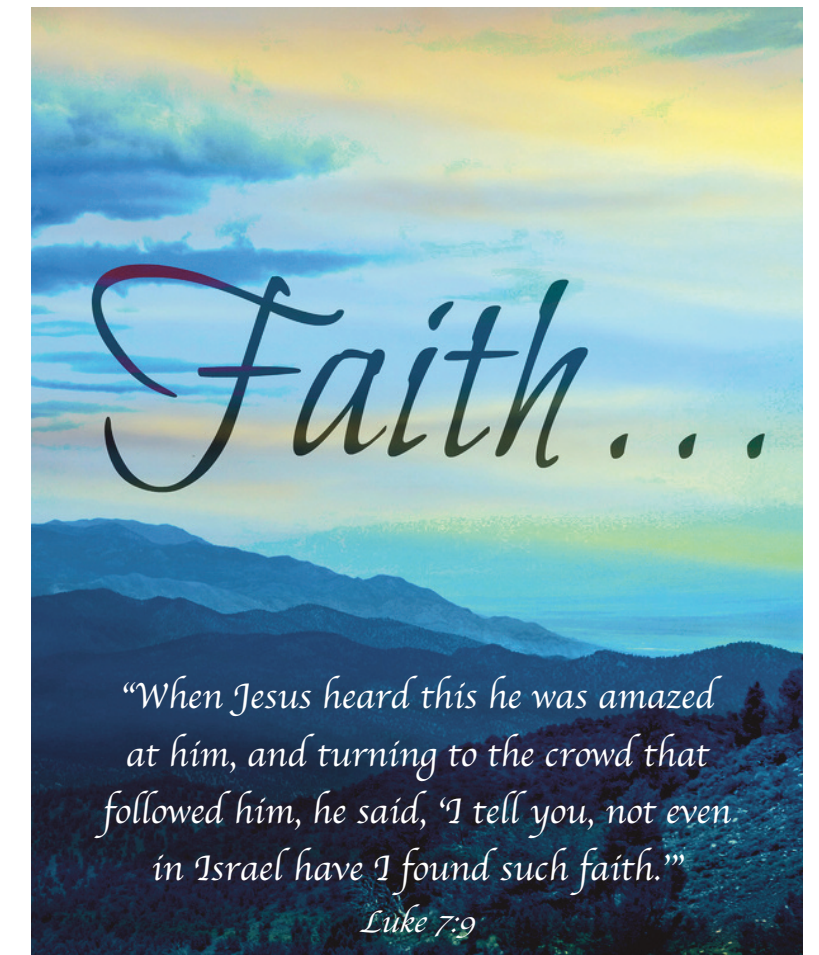
Matthew 25:1-13

November 5, 2017

Stewardship Sunday

Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost

Worship at Nine and Eleven O'Clock in the Morning


<http://familyradio316.com/>

## FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

*A place to belong! Where faith is nurtured,  
curiosity is encouraged, diversity is welcomed, and all are loved.*

1702 Iowa Street, Davenport, Iowa 52803  
A Congregation of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)

## SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR MEDITATION

Joshua 3:7-17

Psalm 107:1-7, 33-37

1 Thessalonians 2:9-13

Matthew 23:1-12

# ORDER OF SERVICE

\*Worshippers who are able, please stand. **Bold** indicates congregational response.

*Liturgist: Sara Sinclair; Sermon: Rev. Dr. Richard Miller*

## THE CHURCH GATHERS TO...

**PRELUDE** "Cornet Voluntary" Henry Heron

### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

*Worshippers are invited to meditate silently during the following prelude. The Bible, which has been placed near the outside door symbolizing its place in the world, is brought to the lectern from which lessons will be read, symbolizing the place of Scripture in Christian Worship.*

**PRELUDE** "Andante" Maurice Greene

**INTROIT** 9:00 AM "He's Got the Whole World in His Hands" Trad. Spiritual  
The Cherub Choir

## PRAISE ALMIGHTY GOD

### CALL TO WORSHIP

We are called to love God with our hearts,  
**So we can welcome those tossed aside by the world.**  
We are called to love God with our souls,  
**So that brokenness can be transformed by our compassion.**  
We are called to love God with our minds,  
**So we can think less of our needs, and see our neighbor as we see ourselves.**

### \*PROCESSIONAL HYMN

"We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight" DUNLAP'S CREEK

*At the 9:00 AM service, children are invited to come forward to the Chancel as the hymn ends.*

1. We walk by faith and not by sight; No  
2. We may not touch His hands and side, Nor  
3. Help then, O Lord, our un-belief; And

gra-cious words we hear From Christ, who spoke as  
fol-low where He trod; But in His prom-ise  
may our faith a-bound To call on You when

none e'er spoke; But we be-lieve Him near.  
we re-joice; And cry, "My Lord and God!"  
you are near And seek where You are found.

### PASSING OF THE PEACE

### CHILDREN'S MESSAGE 9:00 AM

## CONFESS TO A FORGIVING CREATOR

**\*CALL TO CONFESSION** - Sing "In My Life" one time.

In my life Lord, be glo-ri-fied; be glo-ri-fied.  
In my life, Lord, be glo-ri-fied to-day.

### \*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**God of grace, we have so many rules for others to follow that we often forget to simply love them. Before we convince ourselves that others have sold out their souls, we need to notice the emptiness of our own. Help us examine the words and actions which shatter the hearts of others. Forgive us for choosing to live the way we want. Show us how to live, being the holy people of your hopes. May we speak the words you give us, as we share the good news of grace. In Jesus Christ we pray. Amen.**

*Following the Prayer of Confession, please sing "In My Life" one time.*

### \*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Friends, hear and believe this good news of the Gospel:  
**In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God.**

### \*GLORIA PATRI Hymn 579

**ANTHEM** 11:00 AM "A Welsh Prayer" Paul Mealor  
The Sanctuary Choir

### \*HYMN 11:00 AM "Touch the Earth Lightly" TENDERNESS

1. Touch the earth light-ly, use the earth gent-ly,  
nour-ish the life of the world in our care:  
gift of great won-der, ours to sur-ren-der,  
trust for the chil-dren to-mor-row will bear.

## LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD

**SCRIPTURE READING** Luke 7:1-10 *The New Testament page 65*

This is the Word of the Lord  
**Thanks be to God.**

**SERMON** "Unusual Faith"

## RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

**\*HYMN** "God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending" BEACH SPRING

1. God, whose giv-ing knows no end-ing, From Your  
2. Skills and time are ours for press-ing Toward the  
3. Trea-sure too You have en-trust-ed, Gain through

rich and end-less store, Na-ture's won-der, Je-sus'  
goals of Christ, Your Son: All at peace in health and  
powers Your grace con-ferred; Ours to use for home and

wis-dom, Cost-ly cross, grave's shat-tered door: Gift-ed by You, we turn  
free-dom, Rac-es joined, the church made one. Now di-rect our dai-ly  
kin-dred, And to spread the gos-pel Word. O-pen wide our hands, in

to You, Of-fering up our-selves in praise; Thank-ful  
la-bor, Lest we strive for self-a-lone; Born with  
shar-ing, As we heed Christ's age-less call. Heal-ing,

song shall rise for-ev-er, Gra-cious do-nor of our days.  
tal-ents, make us ser-vants Fit to an-swer at Your throne.  
teach-ing and re-claim-ing, Serv-ing You by lov-ing all.

### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

The Lord be with you.  
**And also with you.**  
Lift up your hearts.  
**We lift them up to the Lord.**  
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**It is right to give our thanks and praise...**

**THE LORD'S PRAYER** - (Traditional) Page 16 in the hymnal.

### STEWARDSHIP COMMITMENTS FOR 2018 AND OFFERING

*The congregation is invited to bring their 2018 Stewardship Commitments and Offerings forward to the chancel steps and place them in one of the baskets. If you cannot come forward, look for the Worship Host to come to you.*

#### OFFERTORY:

9:00 AM "A Welsh Prayer" Paul Mealor  
The Sanctuary Choir  
11:00 AM "Andante Cantabile" Robert Powell

### \*PRESENTATION OF OUR GIFTS AND LIVES TO GOD

*Those who are able, please rise singing the Doxology - Hymn Tune: OLD HUNDREDETH, 592 in the hymnal*

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