

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Schaller, Iowa 10:00 A. M.
April 21, 2024 Fourth Sunday of Easter
Rev. Michael Sydnor

PRELUDE Janice Ploeger, Organist

CANDLELIGHTING

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP: Elder

Elder: Jesus said: I am the good shepherd.

People: Christ lays down his life for the sheep.¹

Elder: Let us worship God!

*HYMN "The King of Love My Shepherd Is" #468

INVOCATION (Please be seated) Pastor

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (UNISON) Elder

Almighty and merciful God, we have erred and strayed from your ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against your holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done; and we have done those things which we ought not to have done. O Lord, have mercy upon us. Forgive those who confess their faults. Restore those who are penitent, according to your promises declared to the world in Christ Jesus our Lord. And grant, O merciful God, for his sake, that we may live a holy, just, and humble life to the glory of your holy name.² (Time of silent prayer) Amen.

¹ Presbyterian Church. Book of Common Worship (p. 334). Presbyterian Publishing. Kindle Edition.

² Presbyterian Church. Book of Common Worship (p. 60). Presbyterian Publishing. Kindle Edition.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Pastor

*GLORIA PATRI #623

SCRIPTURE LESSON

First Reading: Acts 4:5-12 Pastor

The next day the rulers, the elders and the teachers of the law met in Jerusalem. Annas the high priest was there, and so were Caiaphas, John, Alexander and others of the high priest's family. They had Peter and John brought before them and began to question them: "By what power or what name did you do this?" Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them: "Rulers and elders of the people! If we are being called to account today for an act of kindness shown to a man who was lame and are being asked how he was healed, then know this, you and all the people of Israel: It is by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified but whom God raised from the dead, that this man stands before you healed. Jesus is "the stone you builders rejected, which has become the cornerstone.' Salvation is found in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given to mankind by which we must be saved."

Leader: The Word of the Lord:

People: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Lesson: John 10:11-18 Elder

"I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. 12 The hired hand is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep. So when he sees the wolf coming, he abandons the sheep and runs away. Then the wolf attacks the flock and scatters it. 13 The man runs away because he is a hired hand and cares nothing for the sheep. 14 "I am the good shepherd; I know my sheep and my sheep know me—15 just as the Father knows me and I know the Father—and I lay down my life for the

sheep. 16 I have other sheep that are not of this sheep pen. I must bring them also. They too will listen to my voice, and there shall be one flock and one shepherd. 17 The reason my Father loves me is that I lay down my life—only to take it up again. 18 No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have authority to lay it down and authority to take it up again. This command I received from my Father.”

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

CHILDRENS TIME

HYMN “Savior, Like A Shepherd Lead Us” #462

SERMON “Shearing Love”

***APOSTLE’S CREED**

MINUTE FOR MISSION

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

Prayers of Intercession

The Lord’s Prayer

Congregational Response #421 (Verse 1)

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

*DOXOLOGY #625

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

***HYMN** “He Leadeth Me” #461

***BENEDICTION**

***BENEDICTION SONG** “Freely, Freely” (V. 1) #447

***EXTINGUISHING OF CANDLES**

***POSTLUDE**

(*Those who are able please stand.)

NEW JOYS & CONCERNS:

Carol Grundmeier

(Breast Cancer)

Dennis Grundmeier

(Breast Cancer)

Rich Jorgensen

(Dementia)

CONTINUING JOYS AND CONCERNS:

Our Pastor

Our Church

Our School

Purple Gang

Richard Morgan

Father of Cindy Myrice

Mark Diersen

Dexter Meseck

Steve Schaefer

Velma Woodke

Joe Van Buskirk

(doing both chemo and radiation 5 more weeks to go)

Darlene Wright

Shari O'Bannon

Doug O'Bannon & Family

Joyce Deloach

Shelly Fenner

Ken Fells Jr.

Dennis Pfrimmer & Family

George & Darlene Franzkowiak

Malia Meyer

PRAYER FOR CHURCHES

Sunday, April 21, 2024

Buena Vista University, Chaplain Dr. Melanie Hauser

Sunday, April 28, 2024

Churches Searching for Pastors

2024 PER CAPITA

2024 Per Capita amount is \$53.95. It is a very important way we can contribute to the operation and mission of the Presbyterian Church. Session encourages all members to contribute. Please mark your check "Per Capita".

ANNOUNCEMENTS

April 2024

21 Sunday

9:00 am

Sunday School Classes

10:00 am

In-Person Worship Service in
Sanctuary

24 Wednesday

3:30-5:30 pm

Last Day of Purple Gang

5:30-5:45 pm

Purple Gang Program and meal

NO WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

28 Sunday (Senior Recognition Sunday)

9:00 am

Sunday School Classes

10:00 am

In-Person Worship Service in
Sanctuary

11:00 am

Special Coffee Fellowship
following the worship service

SENIOR RECOGNITION SUNDAY

Sunday, April 28th will be Senior Recognition Sunday following the morning worship service with a special Coffee Fellowship hosted by the Christian Growth Committee. Hope all can attend to recognize and congratulate our outgoing Senior, Courtney Pyle.



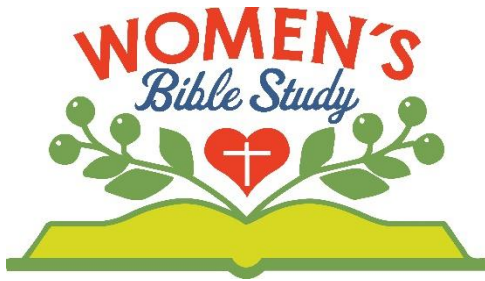
PURPLE GANG

Purple Gang meets on Wednesday's from 3:30-5:30 p.m. for grades K-5th.

We are thrilled to give your children an opportunity to talk, eat, and play with their friends outside of a school setting.

SERVERS FOR APRIL

24th Purple Gang Program & Meal



LADIES BIBLE STUDY

Ladies Bible Study will be meeting on Wednesday, May 8th and May 22nd at 6:00 p.m.

We will not be meeting during the summer.

Early Community Food Pantry

We welcome your needed food, toiletries, and cash donations throughout the entire year. Please check the expiration of food donations before bringing them in. Please, no glass containers.

BIRTHDAY WISHES:

Anna Jacobson (April 21st)

Susan Diersen (April 22nd)

Gerrit VanDenTop (April 27th)



YOU COULD LIVE AT THE LAKES THIS SUMMER!

We are looking for camp counselors, lifeguards, musicians, program staff, and support staff. We run a 10 week summer camp season and

starting pay is \$300/week plus room and board. BVU students may be eligible for an additional \$2,000 in tuition grants! Internship credit may be possible, too.

Call or text 712-320-3313 with questions, email Sara Sutter (director@ilovelakeshore.org) or apply online under the summer camp tab at www.ilovelakeshore.org

LAKESHORE CENTER AT OKOBOJI! SUMMER CAMPS

Welcome to the Summer of 2024! We are excited to explore our theme, "Linked by Love." We see God's love in close friends and family. As we seek to create and strengthen life-giving relationships, we remember that such love flows from God, links us all together, and for that we give thanks. We hope you can join the fun!

Registration is available online at our website: www.ilovelakeshore.org Ask Rev. Michael or anyone on Session about church scholarships to help pay for some of your camp registration fees.

(See Summer Camp Schedule in the single sheet insert)

LAKESHORE CENTER



2024

JUNE

June 2-7 Work Groups (5-12 grade & adults)
~ \$250/youth & \$100/adult

June 10-13 Day Camp (K-4 grade) ~ \$50/day

June 16-20 Hike, Bike & Paddle (3-8 grade) ~ \$500

June 16-20 Make & Bake (3-8 grade) ~ \$500

June 21-23 All Camp Reunion Weekend ~ cost varies

June 23-26 Blast Camp (2-5 grade) ~ \$325

June 27-30 Creative Camp (5-12 grade) ~ \$375



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2024

JULY

July 3-6 Family Camp ~ youth \$150 / adult \$200

July 6 Fun Day Camp ~ \$50

July 7-9 Splash & Dash (1-4 grade) ~ \$200

July 14-17 Middle School Campference ~ \$350

July 20-21 Super Duper Sleepover ~ \$100

July 21-26 Team Challenge Camp (5-12 grade) ~ \$500

July 26-28 Sheep & Shepherd (grades K-4 w / adult) ~ \$150/person

July 28-31 Last Hurrah Family Camp ~ youth \$150 / adult \$200



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