

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Schaller, Iowa
February 26, 2023

10:00 A. M.
First Sunday in Lent

Rev. Michael Sydnor

PRELUDE Janice Ploeger, Organist

CANDLELIGHTING

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Elder

CALL TO WORSHIP:

Elder: God's promise is for all generations;

People: God's covenant is with every living thing.¹

Elder: Let us worship God!

*HYMN "Amazing Grace" #202

INVOCATION (Please be seated) Pastor

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (UNISON) Elder

God of mercy, you sent Jesus Christ to seek and save the lost. We confess that we have strayed from you and turned aside from your way. We are misled by pride, for we see ourselves pure when we are stained, and great when we are small. We have failed in love, neglected justice, and ignored your truth. Have mercy, O God, and forgive our sin. Return us to paths of righteousness through Jesus Christ, our Savior. ² (Time of silent prayer) Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON Pastor

*GLORIA PATRI #623

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Old Testament: Genesis 2:15-17, 3:1-7

The Lord God took the man and put him in the Garden of Eden to work it and take care of it. And the Lord God commanded the man, "You are free to eat from any tree in the garden; but you must not eat from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, for when you eat from it you will certainly die." Now the serpent was more crafty than any other wild animal that the Lord God had made. He said to the woman, "Did God say, 'You shall not eat from any tree in the garden'?" The woman said to the serpent, "We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden; but God said, 'You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the middle of the garden, nor shall you touch it, or you shall die.'" But the serpent said to the woman, "You will not die; for God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil." So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate; and she also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate. Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made loincloths for themselves.

Leader: The Word of the Lord:

People: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Lesson: Matthew 4:1-11 Elder

4 Then Jesus was led by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. 2 After fasting forty days and forty nights, he was hungry. 3 The tempter came to him and said, "If you are the Son

¹ Presbyterian Church. Book of Common Worship (p. 258). Presbyterian Publishing. Kindle Edition..

² Presbyterian Church. Book of Common Worship (p. 236). Presbyterian Publishing. Kindle Edition.

of God, tell these stones to become bread.” 4 Jesus answered, “It is written: ‘Man shall not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.’” 5 Then the devil took him to the holy city and had him stand on the highest point of the temple. 6 “If you are the Son of God,” he said, “throw yourself down. For it is written: “ ‘He will command his angels concerning you, and they will lift you up in their hands, so that you will not strike your foot against a stone.’” 7 Jesus answered him, “It is also written: ‘Do not put the Lord your God to the test.’” 8 Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendor. 9 “All this I will give you,” he said, “if you will bow down and worship me.” 10 Jesus said to him, “Away from me, Satan! For it is written: ‘Worship the Lord your God, and serve him only.’” 11 Then the devil left him, and angels came and attended him.

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

CHILDRENS TIME

HYMN “Have Thine Own Way, Lord” #371

SERMON “You Already Have Everything!”

***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**



ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING
 SPECIAL OFFERINGS
 HUNGER • DISASTER • DEVELOPMENT

Around the world, millions of people lack access to sustainable food sources, clean water, sanitation, education, and opportunity. The three programs supported by One Great Hour of Sharing (OGHS) — Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, the Presbyterian Hunger Program, and Self-Development of People — all work in different ways to serve individuals and communities in need. From initial disaster response to ongoing community development, their work fits together to provide people with safety, sustenance, and hope.

Received during the season of Lent (February 22 – April 9), each gift to OGHS helps to improve the lives of people in these challenging situations. The Offering provides us a way to share God’s love with our neighbors in need. In fact, OGHS is the single, largest way that Presbyterians come together every year to work for a better world.

The One Great Hour of Sharing envelopes can be found at the back of the Sanctuary through the season of Lent.

PLEASE mark your checks Presbyterian Church and in the memo line mark OGHS. PLEASE give generously.



Parents please encourage your children to fill up their One Great Hour of Sharing Fish Banks.

- *HYMN “Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart” #562
- *BENEDICTION
- *BENEDICTION SONG “Freely, Freely” (V. 1) #447
- *EXTINGUISHING OF CANDLES
- *POSTLUDE
 (*Those who are able please stand.)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

February 2023

- 26 Sunday
 - 9:00 am Confirmation Class
 - 9:00 am Sunday School Classes
 - 10:00 am In-Person Worship in Sanctuary
(Masks are optional)

March 2023

- 01 Wednesday
 - 3:30-5:30 pm Purple Gang
- 02 Thursday
 - 7:00 pm Online Bible Devotional
- 05 Sunday
 - 9:00 am Confirmation Class
 - 9:00 am Sunday School Classes
 - 10:00 am In-Person Worship in Sanctuary
(Masks are optional)

2023 PER CAPITA

2023 Per Capita amount is \$48.35. 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".



PURPLE GANG

Purple Gang meets on Wednesdays 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. We will maintain our policy of cancelling a Purple Gang event if the school closes due to weather or illness.

SERVERS FOR PURPLE GANG

March 1st

Jane Bisenius

March 8th

Jackie Mentzer

March 15th

Janice Ploeger

March 22nd

Kellie Bendixen

BIRTHDAY WISHES:

Joyce Currie (Feb. 26th)

Julie Langner (March 2nd)

Richard Cork (March 5th)

Courtney Pyle (March 19th)

Beth Bailey (March 24th)

Kirk Langner (March 31st)

ANNIVERSARY WISHES:

David & Kathy Siebrecht (March 9th)

NEW JOYS & CONCERNS:

CONTINUING JOYS AND CONCERNS:

Kathleen Sydnor (Cancer)

Randy Leask

Carol Wendel

(Cancer Surgery on March 1st)

Ron McClintic

Denise King

Aubree Galvin

Florene & Richard Cork

Jim Robinson

Mark Diersen

Malia Meyer

Doug O'Bannon

Shari O'Bannon

Dexter Meseck

Hazel Snyder

Brenda Segebart

School

PRAYERS FOR THE CHURCHES

February 26

First, Armstrong – Rev. Suzanne Wobig

March 5

United, Manilla – Rev. Lori Shannon

