FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Schaller, Iowa **10:00 A.M.**

November 15, 2026 **Twenty-fifth Sunday after Pentecost**

Debbie Loger

PRELUDE **Janice Ploeger, Organist**

CANDLELIGHTING

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP (Responsive) **Elder**

Leader: Raise your eyes to the God of heaven and earth.

People: We raise our hearts and voices with songs of praise.

Leader: Awaken your mind to the mysteries of God.

People: We open ourselves to listen and learn in new ways.

Leader: Notice your blessings and gifts, miraculously given by God.

People: We offer our lives and gifts to bless and grow God's love in the world.

***HYMN** **"Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"** **#25**

INVOCATION (Please be seated) **Debbie**

God of mystery and miracles, bless our worship with your presence. Bless our lives with your guidance. Bless our world with your wisdom. May we perceive your mysterious ways as miracles and paths to draw us closer to you and to your realm here on earth. In your holy name, we pray. Amen.

CALL TO CONFESSION **Debbie**

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. Let us seek God's forgiveness.

PRAYERS OF CONFESSION **Elder**

Wise one, we want to be wise like Deborah and the wise leaders of old. We want to be wise like Jesus and the disciples who built your church. We want to be wise like you, but your ways are so mysterious they confuse sometimes. Guide us out of confusion. Help us see clearly and brightly, led by the light of your Son, Christ Jesus. Strengthen us to live the wisdom you offer, that our gifts and talents may grow and expand your kingdom of love each day. In faith and trust, we pray. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON **Debbie**

Jesus has raised us for new life. Jesus shines for us as a light in the dark to help us find our way to God. Amen.

***GLORIA PATRI** **#623**

SCRIPTURE LESSONS

Old Testament: Judges 4: 1-7 **Elder**

New Testament: Matthew 25: 31-46 **Debbie**

CHILDRENS TIME **Debbie**

HYMN **"Savior, Like A Shepherd Lead Us"** **#462**

SERMON **"Sheep or Goats"**

***APOSTLES CREED**

MINUTE FOR MISSION

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

Prayers of Intercession

Lord's Prayer

Congregational Response **#421** **(Verse 1)**

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

***DOXOLOGY #625**

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

***HYMN "Count Your Many Blessings" #563**

***BENEDICTION**

You know what time it is. It's time to go to work. It's time to follow Christ. It's time to go where God leads. It's time to offer ourselves. And time to bring love to the world. Amen.

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

***EXTINGUISHING OF CANDLES**

***POSTLUDE**

(*Those who are able please stand.)

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PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

Open our spiritual eyes, blessed Lord, that we may catch a glimpse of your holiness.

ATTENTION! PLEASE NOTE!

When mailing your church check donations or any other mail, PLEASE use the following address:
First Presbyterian Church, P. O. Box 156, Schaller, IA 51053.

PULPIT SUPPLY FOR NOVEMBER-DECEMBER

November 29	Doug Schmidt (Advent)
December 6	Deb Loger
December 13	Rev. Norman Prather
December 20	Deb Loger
December 24	Rev. Ken Fells (Communion)
December 27	Rev. Norman Prather



BIRTHDAY GREETINGS!

Adam Pyle (Nov. 16th)

ANNIVERSARY WISHES:

Ken & Judy Fells (Nov. 26th)

ADVENT CANDLE READERS

November 29th

The Mark McDonough Family

December 6th

The Pyle Family

December 13th

The Jacobson Family

December 20th

Bruce & Jackie Mentzer

December 24th

The Franken Family

WORDS OF WELCOME

The author of Psalm 42 remembers going with the crowd to the house of God "with the voice of joy and praise" (Psalm 42:4, NKJV). May we share that same spirit of gladness today as we gather to worship our Creator and approach his throne of grace. A warm welcome to all!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

NOVEMBER 2026

15 Sunday (Pulpit Supply: Debbie Loger)

10:00 a.m. Worship

16 Monday

7:00 p.m. Session Meeting

22 Sunday (Pulpit Supply: Bev Logsdon)

10:00 a.m. Worship

25 Wednesday

NO LADIES FELLOWSHIP

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Ladies' Fellowship will meet on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of each month at 6:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall of the Presbyterian Church. Our next gathering will be December 9th. All are welcome. You don't need a book to participate.

EARLY FOOD PANTRY MISSION PROJECT



Hy Vee is again collecting grocery and gas receipts for the Food Pantry in Early for Sac County. A percentage of the total dollars is returned to the Food Pantry to help with expenses. Please put your receipts in the tubs located at the Library, Presbyterian Church or Methodist Church in Schaller. Collection continues from October to May.

MAILING ADDRESSES:

Deb Langner
Methodist Manor
1206 West 4th St.
Storm Lake, IA 50588

Janet & Jim Illum
Box 83
Schaller, IA 51053

PRAYER FOR CHURCHES:

November 15, 2026
Pray for the Presbytery Staff: Rev. Dr. Annika Lister Stroope, Operations Executive & Stated Clerk; RE Amgad Beblawi, Ministry & Mission Executive; Rev. Ian McMullen, Pastor to the Presbyteries; and Jeannie Schumann, Office Manager

November 22, 2026
First, Sioux City – Rev. Mark Bradford

November 29, 2026
First Lake Park

NEW JOYS & CONCERNS:

The Family of Laura Kay (Ernst) Schauer

CONTINUING JOYS AND CONCERNS:

Our Congregation
Our Session
Our Schools, school kids, teachers & school bus drivers
College Students
Lakeshore Center Church Camp
The Don Schmidt Family
Janet Illum (Started Chemo Treatments)
Andrew King
Andy Beckord
Patti Willer Snyder
Deb Langner Ray Hansen (Stomach Cancer treatments)
Dexter Meseck
Crystal Thompson
Jim Winkler (Cancer)
Jeremy Plagman
Rev. Ken Fells
Malia Meyers
Florene Cork
Shari O'Bannon
Ken Fells Jr.
Our Military, First Responders, Iowa National Guard

Thank you for keeping us informed about joys and concerns. Remember, hospitalized members and friends don't always get on the list at the hospital. We'd rather get several calls than none! If you would like to add someone to the prayer list please call Denise King (275-4516).

2026 PER CAPITA

2026 Per Capita amount is $55.70. 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".



ANGEL'S TOUCH COOKIE SALE

An Angel's Touch is a nonprofit Charitable 501 (3) organization set up to honor Ron & Janette Willer by their loving family to improve the lives of the elderly, children and those special needs who are impoverished, distressed, underprivileged or low income by giving one small gift at a time with heartfelt love. Check out our Facebook Page and see who we have helped.

Angel's Touch Cookie Sale on Saturday, December 12th at United Methodist Life Center, 211 E 3rd St., Storm Lake, IA, from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. If you are willing to provide a dozen cookies or candies to help us raise money in order to help others in need. Contact Denise King (712-749-9408) or Shari O'Bannon (712-299-0397). We will also be glad to pick them up or delivered to us on Thursday, December 10th.

GIVING TREE & SHARE THE WARMTH SNOWMAN

Coming soon the Schaller-Crestland Ministerial Association Holiday Toy, and Clothing Drive.

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