

# FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Schaller, Iowa

10:00 A. M.

January 25, 2026

Rev. Ken Fells

**PRELUDE**

Janice Ploeger, Organist

**CANDLELIGHTING**

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Elder

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

Elder

Elder: Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: Rejoice! Let your gentleness be evident to all. The Lord is near. Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God.

**\*HYMN** "To God Be the Glory"

#66

**INVOCATION** (Please be seated)

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION (UNISON)**

Elder

God our help, you have promised to be with us always, guiding our steps through even the darkest of valleys. Too often we're so busy quarreling and demanding our own way that we forget to look for you. Or we forget ourselves and put you to the test. In our sin we think we run the show and that you should do what we say. The truth is that we thirst for your goodness. In your mercy, satisfy us with the living water of your grace, emptied out for us in Christ Jesus our Lord, Amen.

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

Pastor

**\*GLORIA PATRI**

#623

**SCRIPTURE LESSONS**

Old Testament Lesson: Psalm 27:1, 4-9

Elder

New Testament Lesson: Matthew 4:12-23

Pastor

# CHILDRENS TIME

**HYMN**

"My Faith Looks Up to Thee"

#410

**SERMON**

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**\*APOSTLES' CREED**

**ORDINATION OF ELDER**

Jim McDonough

**MINUTES 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**

"O That Will Be Glory"

#539

**\*BENEDICTION**

**\*BENEDICTION SONG**

"Freely, Freely" (V. 1)

#447

**\*EXTINGUISHING OF CANDLES**

**\*POSTLUDE**

(\*Those who are able please stand.)

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## A Service of Ordination and Installation

There are different gifts,

**But it is the same Spirit who gives them.**

There are different ways of serving God,

**But it is the same Lord who is served.**

God works through different people in different ways,

**But it is the same God whose purpose is achieved through them all.**

Each one is given a gift by the Spirit,

**To use it for the common good.**

Together we are the body of Christ,

**And individually members of him.**

Though we have different gifts ... Whoever among you wants to be great must become the servant of all.

**Just as the Son of Man came not to be served, but to serve, and to give his life to set others free.**

(After the questions to the candidates an elder will ask the questions of the congregation.)

### Unison Prayer

**God of Grace, who called us to a common ministry as ambassadors of Christ, trusting us with the message of reconciliation: give us courage and discipline to follow where your servants rightly lead us; that together we may declare your wonderful deeds and show your love to the world; through Jesus Christ the Lord of all. Amen**



## **The Schaller-Early-Nemaha Community Food Pantry (Mission Project)**

The Food Pantry, which our church supports, is collecting Hy Vee (Storm Lake only) grocery and gas receipts. You will find a bucket at the

Presbyterian Church. This runs until the end of April. Our Food Pantry will earn a percentage of the receipts and will be reimbursed with a check from Des Moines. This money may help cover costs to maintain our Food Pantry. Please drop all your HyVee receipts in one of the buckets.

## **The Foundation of Our Faith**

Jesus' resurrection is the very foundation of Christianity. If Christ had never been raised from the dead, we'd have no Christian faith.

God's power was at work in Christ's death and resurrection. "It was on the resurrection fact that the church was built," said New Testament scholar James Stewart.

Paul understood that the resurrection was the bedrock of our faith: "And if Christ has not been raised, then our preaching is in vain and your faith is in vain" (1 Corinthians 15:14, ESV). He continued, "And if Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile; you are still in your sins" (1 Corinthians 15:17, ESV).

The resurrection proves that Jesus is Lord and Savior. Its authenticity means that by faith in Christ, we are reconciled with God.

Billy Graham said the risen Christ is the bridge between us and God: "One of Christ's hands holds the hand of God; his other hand holds ours."

## **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".

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **JANUARY 2025**

**25 Sunday (Pulpit Supply: Rev Ken Fells)**

**Installation of Officer**

**9:00 a.m. Sunday School**

**10:00 a.m. Worship**

**28 Wednesday**

**3:30 p.m. Confirmation**

**6:00 p.m. Ladies Fellowship**

### **FEBRUARY 2025**

**01 Sunday (Pulpit Supply: Ken Fells) Communion**

**9:00 a.m. Sunday School**

**10:00 a.m. Worship & Communion**

**04 Wednesday**

**3:30 p.m. Confirmation Class**

## **NEW JOYS & CONCERNS:**

Malia Meyers

Rod Plagman (In Hospice)

## **CONTINUING JOYS AND CONCERNS:**

Our Church

Our Session

Our School Kids

Our School Teachers

Rev. Ken Fells

Doug O'Bannon

Denny & LaRae Mauser

Shari O'Bannon

Florene Cork

Jeremy Plagman

Dexter Meseck

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).

## **PRAYER FOR CHURCHES**

January 25, 2026

First, Spirit Lake and Rev. Clint Loveall & Rev. Michael Gewecke

February 1, 2026

First, Glidden

## **PULPIT SUPPLY FOR FEBRUARY-MARCH**

February 1 Rev. Ken Fells (Communion)

February 8 Jay Grogan

February 15 Norman Prather

February 22 Rev. Dr. Cambria Kaltwasser

March 2 Jay Grogan

March 8 Bev Logsdon

March 15 Ken Fells

March 22 Norman Prather

March 29 Ken Fells



### **JANUARY BIRTHDAY'S**

Carolyn Young (Jan. 28<sup>th</sup>)

Denise King (Jan. 28<sup>th</sup>)

Shane Reimers (30<sup>th</sup>)

### **ANNIVERSARY WISHES:**

Melvin & Dorothy Ploeger (Jan. 26<sup>th</sup>)

