

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Schaller, Iowa 10:00 A. M.
November 16, 2025 Twenty-Fourth Sunday After Pentecost
Rev. Kristy May

PRELUDE Janice Ploeger, Organist

CANDLELIGHTING

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Elder

PRAYERFUL CALL TO WORSHIP:

L: Great is our God, and worthy of praise!

P: God's goodness knows no limit; God's faithfulness toward us is boundless!

L: God, your majesty and glory surround us here.

P: We've come together to celebrate your presence, and to offer songs of praise and worship.

L: We've come to rejoice in your mighty acts, and to retell the story of your goodness throughout history, and in our own lives.

P: Move among us as we worship together; may your Spirit guide and inspire our thoughts and actions as we spend this time in your presence. Through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

*HYMN "O God Our Help in Ages Past" #52

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (UNISON) Elder

We are so easily confused by what the world tells us, watching God, that we forget the stories of faith we heard as children. We are so fearful of tomorrow that we are not aware of your Spirit with us today. We are so busy wondering, 'what if?' or 'suppose?' That we cannot hear the promises you whisper to us.

So once again, Gracious God, have mercy on us.

You know our hearts so well -touch them with your grace.

You see our deepest fears -heal them with your peace.

You hear our secret longings -speak to them of your hope.

This we pray in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior.

(Time of silent prayer)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON Rev. Kristy

*GLORIA PATRI #623

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Old Testament: Haggai 1:14-2:9 (NIV) Elder

New Testament: 2 Thessalonians 2:1-5, 13-17 Rev. Kristy
(Good News Translation)

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

CHILDRENS TIME

SERMON "Keep On Keepin' On!" Rev. Kristy

HYMN "How Firm a Foundation" #275

*APOSTLE'S CREED

MINUTES FOR MISSION (See Announcements)

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 "Standing on the Promises" #271

*BENEDICTION

Be strong!
God is with us!
Thank you, God, for your big love.
Amen!

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

*EXTINGUISHING OF CANDLES

*POSTLUDE

(*Those who are able please stand.)

*Confession/assurance of pardon by Thom Shuman,
<http://lectionaryliturgies.blogspot.ca/>; offering prayer from Long Green Valley Church
of the Brethren, <http://rockhay.tripod.com/worship/orders/2010/10-11-07.htm>;
benediction from umcdiscipleship.org. Remaining liturgy pieces found @
[re:worship.com](http://re.worship.com). All used with permission.*



CHALLENGE FUND

We received another anonymous
\$10,000 matching gift challenge to
the Church. For every dollar you
contribute, the donor will match it up
to a maximum amount of \$10,000.

So please make your contributions between now and December
29th, 2025. If you wish to mail a check, you can use the following
address: First Presbyterian Church, P.O. Box 69, Schaller, IA 51053,
or you can drop the check off at the State Bank of Schaller. PLEASE
mark your checks “Challenge Fund” on the memo line.

The donor does wish to restrict the use of these funds solely for the
benefit of the local church body and not be used for any purpose
beyond the local church body of Schaller.



PULPIT SUPPLY FOR NOVEMBER-DECEMBER

November 30 th	Lue Baker
December 7 th	Jay Grogan (Carlisle, IA)
December 14 th	Bev Logsdon
December 21 st	Rev. Ken Fells (Communion)
December 24 th	Jay Grogan (5:30 p.m. Christmas Program)
December 28 th	Lue Baker



BIRTHDAY GREETINGS!

Adam Pyle (Nov. 16th)

ANNIVERSARY WISHES:

Ken & Judy Fells (Nov. 26th)

2025 PER CAPITA

2025 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

NOVEMBER 2025

16	Sunday (Pulpit Supply: Rev. Kristy May)		
		9:00 a.m.	Sunday School
		10:00 a.m.	Worship
17	Monday		
		7:00 p.m.	Session Meeting
19	Wednesday		
		3:30 p.m.	Confirmation
23	Sunday (Pulpit Supply: Bev Logsdon)		
		9:00 a.m.	Sunday School
		10:00 a.m.	Worship

ATTENTION!

Our church is looking for a person or persons to be the Treasurer starting in 2026. Lorna Currie will be retiring, but will stay on to help the new Treasurer. She says it's not a hard job. Having more than one person can act as backup. Please pray about stepping up to help in this capacity!

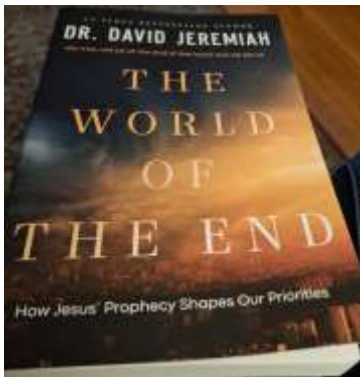
DECEMBER ELDER: Mark McDonough



MISSION PROJECT

The Schaller-Early-Nemaha Community Food Pantry

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 Library, the Presbyterian Church, and at the Methodist 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.



LADIES FELLOWSHIP!

Ladies Fellowship will meet on the first and third Wednesday during the month of December at 6:00 p.m. in the fellowship hall of the First Presbyterian Church. I'm excited that we will be taking a look at the book of Revelation, The World of the End by Dr. David Jeremiah. Bring a friend!! There is

always room for more!!

SAC COUNTY HOLIDAY FOOD DRIVE

Please make donations by: November 14th thru November 21st. The drop off location for Schaller is at the Schaller Library.

A list of items needed can be found at the back of the Sanctuary.

SEE SINGLE SHEET INSERT FOR UPCOMING MISSION EVENTS FOR THE MONTH OF DECEMBER.



NEW JOYS & CONCERNS

The Family of Rich Jorgensen

CONTINUING JOYS AND CONCERNS:

Our Church
Our Session
Our School Kids
Our Teachers
Florene Cork
JoAnn Spanier
Shari O'Bannon
Doug O'Bannon
Deb Langner
Jeremy Plagman
Rod Plagman
Denny & LaRae Mauser
Dexter Meseck
Ken Fells Jr.
Our Military
First Responders

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

November 16, 2025 – Pray for the Presbytery Staff –
Rev. Dr. Annika Lister Stroope, Administrative Executive & Stated Clerk
RE Amgad Beblawi, Ministry & Mission Executive
Rev. Ian McMullen, Pastor to the Presbyteries
Jeannie Stolee, Office Manager

November 23, 2025
First, Sioux City – Rev. Mark Bedford

