

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Schaller, Iowa
May 21, 2023

10:00 A. M.

Seventh Sunday of Easter

Rev. Michael Sydnor

PRELUDE

Janice Ploeger, Organist

CANDLELIGHTING

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP:

Elder

Elder: The Lord says: I am coming soon.

People: Amen. Come, Lord Jesus!¹

Elder: Let us worship God!

***HYMN "A Mighty Fortress is Our God"**

#26

INVOCATION (Please be seated)

Pastor

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (UNISON)

Elder

Almighty God, you have raised Jesus from death to life, and crowned him Lord of all. We confess that we have not bowed before him, or acknowledged his rule in our lives. We have gone along with the ways of the world, and failed to give him glory. Forgive us, and raise us from sin, that we may be your faithful people, obeying the commands of our Lord Jesus Christ, who rules the world and is head of the church, his body.² (Time of silent prayer) Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Pastor

***GLORIA PATRI #623**

SCRIPTURE LESSON

First Reading: Acts 1:6-14

Pastor

Then they gathered around him and asked him, "Lord, are you at this time going to restore the kingdom to Israel?" He said to them: "It is not for you to know the times or dates the Father has set by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." After he said this, he was taken up before their very eyes, and a cloud hid him from their sight. They were looking intently up into the sky as he was going, when suddenly two men dressed in white stood beside them. "Men of Galilee," they said, "why do you stand here looking into the sky? This same Jesus, who has been taken from you into heaven, will come back in the same way you have seen him go into heaven." Then the apostles returned to Jerusalem from the hill called the Mount of Olives, a Sabbath day's walk from the city. When they arrived, they went upstairs to the room where they were staying. Those present were Peter, John, James and Andrew; Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew; James son of Alphaeus and Simon the Zealot, and Judas son of James. They all joined together constantly in prayer, along with the women and Mary the mother of Jesus, and with his brothers.

Leader: The Word of the Lord:

People: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Lesson: John 17:1-11

Elder

After Jesus said this, he looked toward heaven and prayed: "Father, the hour has come. Glorify your Son, that your Son may glorify you.

¹ Presbyterian Church. Book of Common Worship (p. 343). Presbyterian Publishing. Kindle Edition.

² Presbyterian Church. Book of Common Worship (p. 339). Presbyterian Publishing. Kindle Edition.

For you granted him authority over all people that he might give eternal life to all those you have given him. Now this is eternal life: that they know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom you have sent. I have brought you glory on earth by finishing the work you gave me to do. And now, Father, glorify me in your presence with the glory I had with you before the world began. "I have revealed you to those whom you gave me out of the world. They were yours; you gave them to me and they have obeyed your word. Now they know that everything you have given me comes from you. For I gave them the words you gave me and they accepted them. They knew with certainty that I came from you, and they believed that you sent me. I pray for them. I am not praying for the world, but for those you have given me, for they are yours. All I have is yours, and all you have is mine. And glory has come to me through them. I will remain in the world no longer, but they are still in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them by the power of your name, the name you gave me, so that they may be one as we are one.

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

CHILDRENS TIME

HYMN "Crown Him with Many Crowns" #234

SERMON "Power to Live!"

***APOSTLE'S CREED**

MINUTE FOR MISSION

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

Prayers of Intercession

The Lord's Prayer

Congregational Response #421 (Verse 1)

NEW JOYS & CONCERNS:

Doug O'Bannon
(Home)
Barb Watson
(Had knee replacement surgery)
The Virginia Barlow Family
The Ryan McDonough Family

CONTINUING JOYS AND CONCERNS:

Kathleen Sydnor (Cancer)
Florene Cork & Jacobson & Cork Families
Gene Huelman
(In Holstein Good Samaritan having therapy)
Dennis Pfrimmer & Family
(He has Liver Cancer and has started chemo. He also has a broken pelvis and hip)
George Franzkowiak
(prostrate Cancer and other health issues)
Darlene Franzkowiak (health issues)
Carol Wendel
(This week she had a nerve blocker injection in her back. Waiting until June to do something with the 5 neuroendocrine lesions found in her liver)
Randy Leask
Tom McDonough & Family (Cancer)
Mark Siebrecht & Family (Cancer)
Craig Pyle (health issues)
Bruce Mentzer
Jon Snyder
Hazel Snyder
Shari O'Bannon
Dexter Meseck
Brenda Segebart
School
Mark Diersen
Malia Meyer
Alice Spooner (Breast Cancer)
Donnie Skou (Cancer)

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

*DOXOLOGY #625

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*HYMN "Alleluia! Sing to Jesus" #233

*BENEDICTION

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

*EXTINGUISHING OF CANDLES

*POSTLUDE

(*Those who are able please stand.)

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".

Seasonal humor

For summer weddings:

- The wedding was so beautiful, even the cake was in tiers.

For baseball season:

- Why are frogs good baseball players? Because they're good at catching flies.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

May 2023

21 Sunday

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

24 Thursday

7:00 pm Online Bible Devotional

28 Sunday

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

PRAYERS FOR THE CHURCHES

May 21, 2023

First, Rockwell City – Rev. Denise Berns

May 28, 2023

First, Paullina – Rev. Sheryl Puderbaugh

BIRTHDAY WISHES:

Theresa Bailey (May 22nd)

Lauren Franken (May 29th)

BARN DANCE

Mark your calendar and help Jim & Cathy McDonough celebrate their 50th Wedding Anniversary on Sunday, May 28th at their home. They request no gifts your presence is the gift. Music starts at 6 pm.

