

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Schaller, Iowa

10:00 A. M.

May 15, 2022

Rev. Ken Fells

PRELUDE

Janice Ploeger, Organist

CANDLELIGHTING

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Elder

CALL TO WORSHIP

Elder

Leader: Almighty God is the source of every good and perfect gift.

People: He pours out the gift of grace to all who desire it.

Leader: He keeps us from cold hearts and wandering minds.

People: Let us worship God with kindled affections, in spirit and in truth.

***HYMN “Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above” #6**

INVOCATION (Please be seated) **Pastor**

God of all things new, we praise and thank you for a new year in which to serve you. As we gather this morning we pray for renewed decisions and wills to honor you with our lives. May our faithfulness and love for you mirror your love for us, and all your children. We pray that your love will shine through us every moment today, and forever. We pray this in Jesus’ name. Amen.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (UNISON) **Elder**

Sovereign God, we confess that we have not turned away from sin. You call us to study the Scriptures, but we are easily distracted. You ask us to be persistent in prayer, but we are quickly discouraged. Forgive us, God of Grace. Write you Word in our hearts, so that we may truly know you and joyfully serve you. We pray through Jesus, our Lord. Amen (Time of silent prayer)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Pastor

The Lord God said: “I will give you a new heart and a new mind. I will take away your stubborn heart of stone and give you an obedient heart.” We are forgiven of our sins according to God’s promise.

***GLORIA PATRI #623**

SCRIPTURE LESSONS

Elder

Old Testament Lesson: Psalm 148:1-14

¹ Praise the LORD.^[a] Praise the LORD from the heavens; praise him in the heights above. ² Praise him, all his angels; praise him, all his heavenly hosts. ³ Praise him, sun and moon; praise him, all you shining stars. ⁴ Praise him, you highest heavens and you waters above the skies. ⁵ Let them praise the name of the LORD, for at his command they were created,⁶ and he established them for ever and ever—he issued a decree that will never pass away. ⁷ Praise the LORD from the earth, you great sea creatures and all ocean depths, ⁸ lightning and hail, snow and clouds, stormy winds that do his bidding, ⁹ you mountains and all hills, fruit trees and all cedars, ¹⁰ wild animals and all cattle, small creatures and flying birds, ¹¹ kings of the earth and all nations, you princes and all rulers on earth, ¹² young men and women, old men and children. ¹³ Let them praise the name of the LORD, for his name alone is exalted; his splendor is above the earth and the heavens. ¹⁴ And he has raised up for his people a horn,^[b] the praise of all his faithful servants, of Israel, the people close to his heart. Praise the LORD.

New Testament Lesson: John 13:31-35

³¹ When he was gone, Jesus said, “Now the Son of Man is glorified and God is glorified in him. ³² If God is glorified in him,^[a] God will glorify the Son in himself, and will glorify him at once. ³³ “My children, I will be with you only a little longer. You will

look for me, and just as I told the Jews, so I tell you now: Where I am going, you cannot come. ³⁴ “A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. ³⁵ By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another.”

CHILDRENS TIME

HYMN “The Love of God” **#67**

SERMON “What Will They Know?”

***APOSTLES’ CREED**

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 Jesus, I Have Promised” **#369**

***BENEDICTION**

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

***EXTINGUISHING OF CANDLES**

Synod School

You are invited to participate in Synod School's 68th year July 24-29, 2022. "Experiencing Belonging" is the theme. You can register for classes online beginning March 15 at <https://lakesandprairies.org/engaging-leaders/synod-school/> and click on the registration link. The catalog is available online now. Registration forms may also be submitted by mail or email to the Synod office. There is a catalog in the Narthex with the classes and activities that will be offered.



This year the Presbytery of Prospect Hill will be offering scholarships to [Synod School](#). Synod School is an annual event for all ages that combines worship, education, fellowship, and fun. More details about the scholarships, including application forms, will be available soon.

BIRTHDAY WISHES

Dorothy Ploeger (15th)
Dee Gosch (17th)
Theresa Bailey (22nd)
Jason Currie (23rd)
Lauren Franken (29th)

BAPTISM

Haddie Rae McDonough was baptized on Sunday, May 8th, following the worship service Mark & Samantha hosted a breakfast brunch.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Kayla & Keagan Struchen on the birth of their son Traygen Don born on May 3rd. He weighed 9 lbs. 4 ozs., and was 21.5 ins. long. He is welcomed home by his 2 brothers and a sister. Proud Great-Grandparents are Jim & Cathy McDonough.

A BIG THANK YOU!

A big thank you to the McDonough, Pyle and Ronfeldt families for raking the church and manse yards.

PRAYERS

Update on Dexter Meseck - Well we had Omaha appointments Thursday and Friday for Dexter. Thursday we found out he will be back in a reclining wheelchair for at least four weeks to get pressure off his hip and to help with pain. He has been having a lot of pain again in his hip and leg. Then he has been having blurry vision multiple times throughout the day so we had an MRI on Friday. The MRI results were not what we were wanting to hear. His tumor has doubled in size and we will need to take action with some sort of chemotherapy again. Our worlds got flipped yet again when we hear that our amazing son had his tumor grow. But we are remaining positive and we will kick cancer's rear! We will overcome this obstacle! Prayers are much appreciated!!!! #DexterSTRONG

SYMPATHY

May the love of the Lord flow gently and freely into our heart, giving peace and strength.

With Sympathy to the Nick & Beth Langner and Sydnor families.

Blessed are they that mourn; for they shall be comforted. Matthew 5:4

