#### FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Schaller, Iowa 10:00 A. M. **September 21, 2025 Fifteenth Sunday After Pentecost** 

**Bev Logsdon** 

**PRELUDE** Janice Ploeger, Organist

CANDLELIGHTING

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Flder

CALL TO WORSHIP:

L: Praise the Lord, O servants of the Lord!

C: Blessed be the name of the Lord from this time on and forevermore.

L: From the rising of the sun to its setting the name of the Lord is to be praised.

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"To God Be the Glory" \*HYMN #66

**INVOCATION** (Please be seated) **Unison** Bev

**CALL TO CONFESSION** Bev

Even though we continually turn away from God, the Lord is eager to forgive. Trusting in the promise of grace let us confess our sin.

(UNISON) PRAYER OF CONFESSION Elder

Gracious God, you know our sin: We have squandered the gifts you have given us. We have failed to forgive our debtors as you have forgiven us. We have been unfaithful and dishonest in small things and great things alike. We are shrewd in seeking wealth and foolish in following your way. Forgive our sins, O Lord, for your name's sale. Make us faithful stewards of the grace you have given and generous in forgiving others; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Bev

Our loving God desires everyone to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. Hear the good news! In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

Thanks be to God.

\*GLORIA PATRI #623

CHILDRENS TIME Bev

**SCRIPTURE LESSON** 

**I Timothy 2:1-7** New Testament: Bev

> The Word of the Lord. Leader: People: Thanks be to God.

**HYMN** "Take My Life and Let It Be" #379

SERMON "The Mediator" Bev

\*APOSTLE'S CREED

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

"They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love" \*HYMN #284

\*BENEDICTION

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

\*POSTLUDE

(\*Those who are able please stand.)

### **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**

## **SEPTEMBER 2025**

21 Sunday (Pulpit Supply: Bev Logsdon)

9:00 a.m. Sunday School

10:00 a.m. Worship

28 Sunday (Pulpit Supply: Rev. Kristy May)

9:00 a.m. Sunday School

10:00 a.m. Worship



The Sacrament of Holy Communion will next be celebrated during worship on Sunday, October 5th.

Welcome to worship as we enter a new season. Autumn's turning leaves remind us of God's creative power and faithful rhythm of change. May this hour be one of reflection, gratitude, and renewal.

# The Power of Prayer Warriors

Prayer warriors are spiritual soldiers—men and women who faithfully lift others in prayer, often behind the scenes. Though their work may go unnoticed by the world, it is deeply valued by God. Their intercession can strengthen the weary, comfort the grieving, and open doors for God's will to be done.

In Scripture, we are urged to "pray one for another" (James 5:16, KJV), reminding us that healing and restoration often come through the prayers of the faithful. A prayer warrior stands in the gap, bringing needs before the Lord with boldness and persistence.

The Apostle Paul recognized the power of prayer, often asking others to pray for him as he shared the gospel. In the same way, prayer warriors today uphold churches, pastors, families, and communities.

Their prayers may be silent, but their impact is mighty. Never underestimate the difference a praying heart can make.

Fall Into Fellowship: Church Life Is Back!

As summer winds down, we're gearing up for an exciting season of ministry and connection. Sunday School, Confirmation Class, Purple Gang, Ladies Fellowship, and more are all starting back up in September or October. There's a place for everyone—come grow, serve, and belong



#### **NEW JOYS & CONCERNS**

Doug O'Bannon

#### **CONTINUING JOYS AND CONCERNS:**

**Our Church** 

**Our Session** 

**Our School Kids** 

**Our Teachers** 

**Deb Langner** 

Jeremy Plagman

**Rod Plagman** 

**Ed Ploeger** 

**Bob Hantsbarger (Waiting for treatments)** 

**Denny 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

**September 21, 2025** 

Community, Lawton - Rev. Ken Meissner

**September 28, 2025** 

**Pray for the Synod of Lakes and Prairies Staff** 

**RE Elona Street-Stewart, Synod Executive** 

Rev. Dr. Deb DeMeester, Leadership Development

**RE Jim Koon, Financial Services and Treasurer** 

**Rev. Pam Prouty, Stated Clerk** 

**Amy Hartman, Financial Services Associate** 

**Gretchen Milloy, Office Coordinator** 

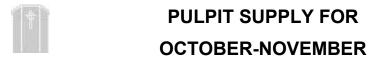


## **BIRTHDAY GREETINGS!**

Cathy McDonough (Sept. 22<sup>nd</sup>)

Parker Currie (Sept. 23<sup>rd</sup>)

Brenna Franken (Sept. 30<sup>th</sup>)



October 5<sup>th</sup> Norman Prather (Communion)

October 12<sup>th</sup> Bev Logsdon

October 19<sup>th</sup> Rev. Ken Fells

October 26<sup>th</sup> Bev Logsdon

November 2<sup>nd</sup>

November 9<sup>th</sup> Bev Logsdon

November 16th Rev. Kristy May

November 23rd Bev Logsdon

November 30<sup>th</sup> Lue Baker

# A Prayer for Autumn's Arrival

Lord of all seasons,
As the leaves change and the days grow cooler,
help me embrace the rhythm of your creation.
Teach me to let go of what I no longer need
and to trust your timing in every part of life.

Thank you for the beauty of autumn—for crisp mornings, golden trees, and the promise of harvest. May this season deepen my gratitude, renew my spirit, and draw me closer to your heart.

In Jesus' name, Amen.