

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Schaller, Iowa
August 27, 2023

10:00 A. M.

Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost
Tom Daniels, Lay Pastor

PRELUDE

Janice Ploeger, Organist

CANDLELIGHTING

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Elder

CALL TO WORSHIP:

Elder: Who do we say that Jesus is?

People: Jesus is the Son of God.

Elder: Christ summons us to act in ways that displease the crowd.

People: Our action sometimes belies our confession .

Elder: Christ calls us to take up our cross and follow him.

People: Our action sometimes belies our confession.

Elder: Yet Christ does not forsake us, even though we abandon Him.

All: O Lord, let us today pursue you as you pursue us. Until what we say about you in worship and what people see in us at work become one.

***HYMN "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee" #1**

INVOCATION (Please be seated) Pastor

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (UNISON) Elder

O God, we did not realize that we are among the rich oppressors of the world. We think we are poor when we cannot have everything we want. Keep us from misusing the power we have. We confess our fear of those who are unlike us. We set up barriers against them when we are afraid. Keep us from acting in ways that alienate and divide.

When we are tempted to conform to the world's standards, set before us the higher model of sacrifice and service that is given to us in Jesus, in whose name we pray. (Time of silent prayer) Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Pastor

***GLORIA PATRI**

#623

SCRIPTURE LESSON

First Reading: Exodus 1:8 – 2:10

Pastor

Then a new king, to whom Joseph meant nothing, came to power in Egypt. "Look," he said to his people, "the Israelites have become far too numerous for us. Come, we must deal shrewdly with them or they will become even more numerous and, if war breaks out, will join our enemies, fight against us and leave the country." So they put slave masters over them to oppress them with forced labor, and they built Pithom and Rameses as store cities for Pharaoh. But the more they were oppressed, the more they multiplied and spread; so the Egyptians came to dread the Israelites and worked them ruthlessly. They made their lives bitter with harsh labor in brick and mortar and with all kinds of work in the fields; in all their harsh labor the Egyptians worked them ruthlessly. The king of Egypt said to the Hebrew midwives, whose names were Shiphrah and Puah, "When you are helping the Hebrew women during childbirth on the delivery stool, if you see that the baby is a boy, kill him; but if it is a girl, let her live." The midwives, however, feared God and did not do what the king of Egypt had told them to do; they let the boys live. Then the king of Egypt summoned the midwives and asked them, "Why have you done this? Why have you let the boys live?" The midwives answered Pharaoh, "Hebrew women are not like Egyptian women; they are vigorous and give birth before the midwives arrive." So God was kind to the midwives and the people increased and became even more numerous. And because the midwives feared God, he gave them families of their own. Then Pharaoh gave this order to all his people: "Every Hebrew boy that is born you must throw into the Nile, but let every girl live." 2 Now a man of the tribe of Levi married a Levite woman, and she became pregnant and gave birth to a son. When she saw that he was a fine child, she hid him for three months. But when she could hide him no longer, she got a papyrus basket for him and coated it with tar and pitch. Then she placed the child in it and put it among the reeds along the bank of the Nile. His

sister stood at a distance to see what would happen to him. Then Pharaoh's daughter went down to the Nile to bathe, and her attendants were walking along the riverbank. She saw the basket among the reeds and sent her female slave to get it. She opened it and saw the baby. He was crying, and she felt sorry for him. "This is one of the Hebrew babies," she said. Then his sister asked Pharaoh's daughter, "Shall I go and get one of the Hebrew women to nurse the baby for you?" "Yes, go," she answered. So the girl went and got the baby's mother. Pharaoh's daughter said to her, "Take this baby and nurse him for me, and I will pay you." So the woman took the baby and nursed him. When the child grew older, she took him to Pharaoh's daughter and he became her son. She named him Moses, saying, "I drew him out of the water."

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

Gospel Lesson: Matthew 16:13-20

Elder

When Jesus came to the region of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, "Who do people say the Son of Man is?" They replied, "Some say John the Baptist; others say Elijah; and still others, Jeremiah or one of the prophets." "But what about you?" he asked. "Who do you say I am?" Simon Peter answered, "You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God." Jesus replied, "Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah, for this was not revealed to you by flesh and blood, but by my Father in heaven. And I tell you that you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not overcome it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven; whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven." Then he ordered his disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Messiah.

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

CHILDRENS TIME

HYMN "Blessed Be the Name" #103

SERMON "What's in a Name?"

NEW JOYS & CONCERNS:

Becca Kestel Pestano
(Shoulder Surgery)
Coleen Woodke
(Stroke)

Mark Gividen and his family
(Cancer and is in Hospice)
Henry Jacobson
(Broken Wrist)

CONTINUING JOYS AND CONCERNS:

Our Pastor
Our Church
Purple Gang
School Children
School Teachers
College Students
Doug O'Bannon & Family
Shari O'Bannon
Janice Rydberg
Grace Beckord
Karla Hustedt and her family
(Stage 4 Cancer)
Ken Fells Jr. (Cancer)
Ron McClintic and his family
Diane Overmohle
Dennis Pfrimmer & Family
George & Darlene Franzkowiak
Carol Wendel
Mark Siebrecht & Family
Mark Diersen
Dexter Meseck
Malia Meyer
Brenda Segebart (Hospice)
Alice Spooner (Cancer Terminal)

***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**

*HYMN "Take the Name of Jesus with You" #116

***BENEDICTION**

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

***EXTINGUISHING OF CANDLES**

***POSTLUDE**

(*Those who are able please stand.)
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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".

FOOD PANTRY:

REMINDER: WHEN BRINGING FOOD ITEMS FOR THE FOOD PANTRY, PLEASE CHECK THE EXPIRATION DATES.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

August 2023

- 27 Sunday (Tom Daniels will be filling the pulpit)
- 10:00 am In-Person Worship in Sanctuary
(Mask are optional)
- 11:00 am Coffee Fellowship
(Bruce & Jackie Mentzer)
- 28 Monday
- 7:00 pm Session Meeting

September 2023

- 03 Sunday
- 10:00 am In-Person Worship in Sanctuary
(Mask are optional)
- 04 Monday
- Labor Day
- 05 Tuesday
- 6:00 pm Ladies Bible Study
- 10 Sunday
- 9:00 am Sunday School Resumes

Prayers for the Churches

August 27, 2023 Westminster, Sioux City & Rev. Beth Hamilton

September 3, 2023 First, Battle Creek

ANNIVERSARY WISHES:

Jim & Missy Kestel (Aug. 29th)
Gerrit & Irene VanDenTop (Sept. 5th)



PURPLE GANG

Purple Gang will start on
Wednesday, September 13th from
3:30-5:30 p.m. for grades K-5th.

We are thrilled to give your children an
opportunity to talk, eat, and play with
their friends outside of a school setting.
We will maintain our policy of cancelling a

Purple Gang event if the school closes due to weather or illness.

The program includes a snack, Bible study, music and recreation. We hope
that your children will join us in a fun experience where we learn more
about God, Jesus Christ, and the Holy Spirit.

You can get enrollment forms from Melanie Pyle (at the school) or the
brown box outside the front door of the Presbyterian Church. You can
return the filled out forms to Melanie or place them in the brown box. If
you would like to find out more information, please contact Rev. Michael
Sydnor at 712-275-4691.

BIRTHDAY WISHES:

Kallie Pyle (Aug. 27th)
Jerry Gosch (Sept. 6th) 80th
Samantha McDonough (Sept. 8th)
Stephan Sydnor (Sept. 9th)
Betty Franken (Sept. 12th)
Sarah Jacobson (Sept. 13th)
Waylen Jacobson (Sept. 13th)
Becca Kestel Pestano (Sept. 13th)
Janice Rydberg (Sept. 13th)
Cathy McDonough (Sept. 22nd)
Parker Currie (Sept. 23rd)
Jeff King (Sept. 24th)
Brenna Franken (Sept. 30th)

