

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Schaller, Iowa  
May 29, 2022

10:00 A. M.

Seventh Sunday of Easter

Rev. Michael Sydnor

PRELUDE

Janice Ploeger, Organist

CANDLELIGHTING

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Elder

CALL TO WORSHIP:

Elder: Why do you look up toward heaven?

People: Christ has risen; Christ will come again.<sup>1</sup>

Elder: Let us worship God!

\*HYMN "Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying" #429

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.<sup>2</sup> (Time of silent prayer) Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON Pastor

\*GLORIA PATRI #623

SCRIPTURE LESSON

First Reading: Acts 16:16-34

Elder

Once when we were going to the place of prayer, we were met by a female slave who had a spirit by which she predicted the future. She earned a great deal of money for her owners by fortune-telling. She followed Paul and the rest of us, shouting, "These men are servants of the Most High God, who are telling you the way to be saved." She kept this up for many days. Finally Paul became so annoyed that he turned around and said to the spirit, "In the name of Jesus Christ I command you to come out of her!" At that moment the spirit left her. When her owners realized that their hope of making money was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the marketplace to face the authorities. They brought them before the magistrates and said, "These men are Jews, and are throwing our city into an uproar by advocating customs unlawful for us Romans to accept or practice." The crowd joined in the attack against Paul and Silas, and the magistrates ordered them to be stripped and beaten with rods. After they had been severely flogged, they were thrown into prison, and the jailer was commanded to guard them carefully. When he received these orders, he put them in the inner cell and fastened their feet in the stocks. About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the other prisoners were listening to them. Suddenly there was such a violent earthquake that the foundations of the prison were shaken. At once all the prison doors flew open, and everyone's chains came loose. The jailer woke up, and when he saw the prison doors open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself because he thought the prisoners had escaped. But Paul shouted, "Don't harm yourself! We are all here!" The jailer called for lights, rushed in and fell

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<sup>1</sup> Presbyterian Church. Book of Common Worship (p. 343).  
Presbyterian Publishing. Kindle Edition.

<sup>2</sup> Presbyterian Church. Book of Common Worship (p. 339).  
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trembling before Paul and Silas. He then brought them out and asked, “Sirs, what must I do to be saved?” They replied, “Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved—you and your household.” Then they spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all the others in his house. At that hour of the night the jailer took them and washed their wounds; then immediately he and all his household were baptized. The jailer brought them into his house and set a meal before them; he was filled with joy because he had come to believe in God—he and his whole household.

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

#### **Gospel Lesson: John 17:20-26**

20 “My prayer is not for them alone. I pray also for those who will believe in me through their message, 21 that all of them may be one, Father, just as you are in me and I am in you. May they also be in us so that the world may believe that you have sent me. 22 I have given them the glory that you gave me, that they may be one as we are one—23 I in them and you in me—so that they may be brought to complete unity. Then the world will know that you sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me. 24 “Father, I want those you have given me to be with me where I am, and to see my glory, the glory you have given me because you loved me before the creation of the world. 25 “Righteous Father, though the world does not know you, I know you, and they know that you have sent me. 26 I have made you known to them, and will continue to make you known in order that the love you have for me may be in them and that I myself may be in them.”

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People:                   Thanks be to God.

#### **CHILDRENS TIME**

## NEW JOYS & CONCERN

Polly Jansen (Health Issues)

Cody Pyle (broken arm)

Shootings in Texas

The family of Doug Bryan

Doug & Laura Bryan is the Uncle & Aunt of David & Stephen Sydnor

## CONTINUING JOYS AND CONCERNS:

Barb Christiansen (Heart trouble)

Laura Turnquist

Paul Hill (Heart and other issues)

Janet Schubert (Fell down steps has a broken neck, broken bones and other health issues)

Darlene Wright

(heart issues and is at Methodist Manor)

Andy Beckord

Laurie Huss (left leg is still bothering her)

(Taking oral treatment)

Diane Overmohle

(Started immunotherapy infusions for her Metastatic Melanoma)

Aaron Jacobson and his family

(Safe Deployment)

Tasha King (Safe Deployment)

Doug O'Bannon & Shari O'Bannon

Megan Bauer and her family

Dennis Pfrimmer

Linda Bulen

Hazel Snyder

Brenda Segebart

## BIRTHDAY WISHES

Melvin Ploeger (June 2<sup>nd</sup>)

Glenda Turnquist (June 22<sup>nd</sup>)

## ANNIVERSARY WISHES

Jim & Cathy McDonough (June 2<sup>nd</sup>)

Stuart & Angie Claussen (June 2<sup>nd</sup>)

Adam & Melanie Pyle (June 6<sup>th</sup>)

HYMN "Leaning On the Everlasting Arms" #354

SERMON "Freed"

\*APOSTLE'S CREED

MINUTE 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 "The Battle Hymn of the Republic" #569

\*BENEDICTION

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

\*POSTLUDE

(\*Those who are able please stand.)

## 2022 PER CAPITA

2022 Per Capita amount is \$42.48. 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".

ELDER FOR JUNE: Janice Ploeger

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### May 2022

29 Sunday

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

### June 2022

02 Thursday

7:00 pm Online Bible Devotional and  
Community Prayers

05 Sunday (Communion)

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

## THANK YOU!

Thank you to Samantha McDonough for sharing the beautiful floral arrangements at the front of the church.

## FOOD PANTRY

Reminder: When bringing food items for the food pantry, please check the expiration dates.

## Synod School

You are invited to participate in Synod School's 68<sup>th</sup> 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.

## 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 cancers ass! We will overcome this obstacle! Prayers are much appreciated!!!! #DexterSTRONG

