

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Schaller, Iowa 10:00 A. M. September 18, 2022
Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Rev. Michael Sydnor

PRELUDE Janice Ploeger, Organist

CANDLELIGHTING

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Elder

CALL TO WORSHIP: Elder

Elder: The Lord raises the poor from the dust

People: and lifts up the needy from the ashes.¹

Elder: Let us worship God!

*HYMN "Seek Ye First" #42

INVOCATION (Please be seated) Pastor

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (UNISON) Elder

We want to serve you, but we find ourselves serving money, possessions, or power. We seek to advance ourselves and raise our families and neglect our duty to God and our neighbors. Forgive us when we serve mammon rather than God. Remind us that our true home is the Kingdom of God and that our only safety is your love. Then help us to proclaim that love by using our money to serve you and others. (Time of silent prayer) Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON Pastor

*GLORIA PATRI #623

SCRIPTURE LESSON

First Reading: Jeremiah 8:18-9:1

Elder

You who are my Comforter in sorrow, my heart is faint within me. Listen to the cry of my people from a land far away: "Is the Lord not in Zion? Is her King no longer there?" "Why have they aroused my anger with their images, with their worthless foreign idols?" "The harvest is past, the summer has ended, and we are not saved." Since my people are crushed, I am crushed; I mourn, and horror grips me. Is there no balm in Gilead? Is there no physician there? Why then is there no healing for the wound of my people? Oh, that my head were a spring of water and my eyes a fountain of tears! I would weep day and night for the slain of my people.

Leader:

The Word of the Lord:

People:

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Lesson: Luke 16:1-13

Jesus told his disciples: "There was a rich man whose manager was accused of wasting his possessions. So he called him in and asked him, 'What is this I hear about you? Give an account of your management, because you cannot be manager any longer.' "The manager said to himself, 'What shall I do now? My master is taking away my job. I'm not strong enough to dig, and I'm ashamed to beg—I know what I'll do so that, when I lose my job here, people will welcome me into their houses.' "So he called in each one of his master's debtors. He asked the first, 'How much do you owe my master?' " 'Nine hundred gallons of olive oil,' he replied. "The manager told him, 'Take your bill, sit down quickly, and make it four hundred and fifty.' "Then he asked the second, 'And how much do you owe?' " 'A thousand bushels of wheat,' he replied. "He told him,

¹ Presbyterian Church. Book of Common Worship (p. 376).
Presbyterian Publishing. Kindle Edition.

‘Take your bill and make it eight hundred.’ “The master commended the dishonest manager because he had acted shrewdly. For the people of this world are more shrewd in dealing with their own kind than are the people of the light. I tell you, use worldly wealth to gain friends for yourselves, so that when it is gone, you will be welcomed into eternal dwellings. “Whoever can be trusted with very little can also be trusted with much, and whoever is dishonest with very little will also be dishonest with much. So if you have not been trustworthy in handling worldly wealth, who will trust you with true riches? And if you have not been trustworthy with someone else’s property, who will give you property of your own? “No one can serve two masters. Either you will hate the one and love the other, or you will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve both God and money.”

Leader:

The Word of the Lord.

People:

Thanks be to God.

CHILDRENS TIME

HYMN

“Living for Jesus”

#372

SERMON

“Who Is the Master?”

***APOSTLE’S CREED**

MINUTE FOR MISSION

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

Prayers of Intercession

The Lord’s Prayer

Congregational Response #421 (Verse 1)

PRAYER FOR CHURCHES:

Sunday, September 18

First, South Sioux City & Rev. Beth Hamilton

Sunday, September 25

Community, Lawton & Rev. Jason Cunningham

NEW JOYS & CONCE

Purple Gang

Kirk Langner (knee surgery on Wed.)

School

School Children & Teachers

Doris Aylward

The Ardy McDermott Family

CONTINUING JOYS AND CONCERNS:

Jack McGivern

Tom McDonough & Family

Wayne Werner & Family

Laurie Huss (Health Issues)

Sue Diersen

Malia Meyer

Marilyn King

Doug O'Bannon (Liver)

Shari O'Bannon

Steven O'Bannon's fiancée Myra

Don Thompson

Dexter Meseck

Diane Overmohle

Beth Overmohle (health issues)

Andy Beckord

Tasha King (Safe Deployment)

Carissa King (Mission Work in Guatemala)

Dennis Pfrimmer

Hazel Snyder

Brenda Segebart

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

***DOXOLOGY**

#625

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

***HYMN**

“Jesus Calls Us”

#375

***BENEDICTION**

***BENEDICTION SONG**

“Freely, Freely” (V. 1)

#447

***EXTINGUISHING OF CANDLES**

***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”.

PURPLE GANG LIST OF SERVERS

September 21st

Tracey Jepsen

September 28th

Julie & Kirk Langner

ANNOUNCEMENTS

September 2022

18 Sunday

- 9:00 am Sunday School Classes
- 10:00 am In-Person Worship in Sanctuary
(Masks are optional)
- 8:00 am – 12 pm Schaller Fire Department
Pancake Breakfast

19 Monday

- 7:00 pm Session Meeting

21 Wednesday

- 3:30-5:30 pm Purple Gang

22 Thursday

- 7:00 pm Online Bible Devotional &
Community Prayers. All are
welcome!

25 Sunday

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

Where do farmers buy new cows?

From a cattle-log. From a cattle-log.



PURPLE GANG

Purple Gang meets on Wednesdays 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:

Cathy McDonough (Sept. 22nd)

Parker Currie (Sept. 23rd)

Jeff King (Sept. 24th)

Brenna Franken (Sept. 30th)

CONGRATULATIONS: Congratulations to Aaron & Sarah Jacobson on the birth of their son Waylon Earl, born on September 13th, he weighed 9 lbs. and is 21 inches long. Waylon is welcomed home by his brothers and sisters. Proud Grandparents are Rich & Florene Cork and Jeff & Kathy Jacobson.

