

I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the virgin Mary; suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended to heaven and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD

THE CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH (Please sign & pass the registration folder)

CONGREGATIONAL LIFE

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERTORY

* DOXOLOGY "O Bless the Gifts" #814

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow.
Praise Him, all creatures here below.
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host.
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

* PRAYER OF DEDICATION

O God of justice and mercy, your way commands our obedience; your grace gives us encouragement. We can do nothing apart from the blessing you bestow. Alive with the presence of your indwelling Spirit, we are bold to offer what we have as signs of our devotion. Accept what we bring, and multiply its effectiveness, for the sake of Jesus, your gift to us.

* CLOSING HYMN "In My Heart There Rings a Melody" #502

* BENEDICTION

* POSTLUDE



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FIRST UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Rev. Mark Gabbard, Preaching

Carolyn Trumble - Liturgist

Music - Kay E. Boyne

March 4, 2018 10:00 AM Worship Service

3rd Sunday in Lent

OUR APPROACH TO GOD

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP

The law of the Lord is perfect, reviving the soul; the decrees of the Lord are sure, making wise the simple.

The precepts of the Lord are right, rejoicing the heart; the commandment of the Lord is clear, enlightening the eyes.

The fear of the Lord is pure, enduring forever; the ordinances of the Lord are true and righteous altogether.

Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable to you, O Lord, my rock and my redeemer.

Let us worship God!

PRAYER OF PRAISE AND ADORATION

* HYMN "He Keeps Me Singing" #746
(Verses 1, 2 & 5)

* PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Lord, make me an instrument of Thy peace;
Where there is hatred, let me sow love;
Where there is injury, pardon;
Where there is error, truth;
Where there is doubt, faith;
Where there is despair, hope;
Where there is darkness, light;
And where there is sadness, joy.**

*O Divine Master, Grant that I may not so much seek
To be consoled as to console;
To be understood as to understand;
To be loved as to love.
For it is in giving that we receive;
It is in pardoning that we are pardoned;
And it is in dying that we are born to eternal life.*

* GLORIA PATRI "Glory Be to the Father" #812
**Glory be to the Father,
and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost,
As it was in the beginning,
is now and ever shall be world without end. Amen.**

* PASSING OF THE PEACE
The peace of God be with you.
And also with you.
Greet one another in Peace.

SPECIAL MUSIC "From Elegy to Allegro" (Blackburn/Giuliani)
CHILDREN'S SERMON *(children are dismissed to the Classrooms, for Sunday School)*

THE WORD OF GOD

SCRIPTURE LESSONS

Exodus 20:1 - 17 (pages 61 – 62, OT)
Psalm 19:7 - 11 (page 462, OT)
1 Cor. 1: 18 - 25 (pages 145 – 146, NT)
John 2:13– 22 (page 81, NT)

SERMON "Black Friday Madness"

* HYMN "Jesus Is All the World to Me" #512

* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH The Apostles' Creed
Let us say what we believe.
The Apostles' Creed

This Week's Calendar March 4, 2018 - March 11, 2018

Sunday, March 4	Monday, March 5
<p style="text-align: center;">3rd Sunday in Lent</p> <p>9:00 AM Early Social Hour (WR) 10:00 AM Worship Service 10:00 AM Sunday School 11:30 AM Soup N' Sandwich 12:00 PM Soup Kitchen 6:30 PM H.S. Youth Group</p>	<p>7:00 PM Boy Scout Troop #105 (SH) 7:00 PM ACT Study Group (WR)</p>
Tuesday, March 6	Wednesday, March 7
<p>12:00 PM Lock City Meeting (Lib)</p>	<p>9:30 AM Women's Bible Study (Lib) 6:30 PM Choir Rehearsal</p>
Thursday, March 8	Friday, March 9
<p>10:00 AM Textile Social (SH) 12:00 PM Lock City Meeting (Lib))</p>	<p>9:00 AM Men's Bible Study (WR)</p>
Saturday, March 10	Sunday, March 11
<p>9:00 AM NA (WR) 7:00 PM AA (WR)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">4th Sunday in Lent Daylight Savings Time</p> <p>9:00 AM Early Social Hour (WR) 10:00 AM Worship Service 10:00 AM Sunday School 12:00 PM Soup Kitchen 6:30 PM H.S. Youth Group</p>

SH = Social Hall

Lib = Library

WR = Westminster Room

"Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable to you,
O Lord, my rock and my redeemer."

Psalm: 19:14 (NSRV)

About First United Presbyterian Church

Church Staff

Minister	Rev. Mark D. Gabbard pastor@soopresbyterian.org
Commissioned Ruling Elder	Donald H. Myers Brenda Ransom
Clerk of Session	Audrey A. Zane
President of Trustees	Michael J. Lussier
Chairman of Deacons	Jeanne Shibley
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Sexton	Jesse Witte
Church Office Hours: 8:00 A.M. to 11:30 A.M. and 12:00 P.M. to 2:30 P.M. (Monday through Friday)	
Church Website: www.soopresbyterian.org	

To Our Visitors

We are happy to have you worshipping with us today. If you would like more information about us or are interested in becoming a member of our church family, please complete one of the Welcome cards found in the pew rack and place it in the offering plate. You may also contact the church office at 632-7771.

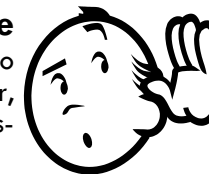
Some notes about our services:

- ✦ We have one Worship service on Sunday
10:00 AM — Worship Service
(Children join our worship service for the first 15 minutes to hear the Children's Sermon)
- ✦ Sunday School
10:15 AM—K through 12th Grade,
all meet in lower level classrooms
- ✦ The nursery is available for your use during the worship service, with an attendant.
- ✦ An asterisk (*) preceding a service element indicates the congregation should stand.
- ✦ **Bold** indicates congregation participation.



Hearing Assistance

is available. For those who would like to use a receiver, please ask an Usher for assistance.



The Purpose of the First United Presbyterian Church is to:

Invite people to know and glorify God

Grow together as followers of Christ

IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS THIS WEEK

We encourage you to remember these people in your prayers throughout the coming week:
Family of Mary McKerchie, John Jobes, Diane McMeeken, Aaron Corbiere, Lois Hillock, Jon Burgess, Andrea Klier, Gina Gough, Geraldine Carnahan, Pat Whyte, Jane Kellan, Christine Mickelson, Joyce Cross, Lillian Donelson, Jim Schmidt, William Kellan, Alex McCready, Tara Jean Brody, Wendy (Menard) James, all members of missionaries and the U.S. Armed Forces.

Please keep us up to date on your prayer request.

If you would like to add individuals to the prayer list or your prayers have been answered and you would like to be removed from the list, please contact the office.

VISITORS, WELCOME TO THE FIRST UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH! ...

We pray you'll be nourished in faith as you hear God's message for you. Jesus welcomed everyone; that is our aim, too. Whether you're here for the first time or the thousandth, we count ourselves blessed by your presence. Persons interested in more information about First United Presbyterian Church, or in joining this congregation, are invited to fill out a 'Welcome' card found in the pews, or call the church office at 632-7771. Please be sure to sign our Guest Book, near the entrance to the Sanctuary. Thank you for worshiping with us today.

PRAYER REQUESTS ... We have Prayer Request slips available in the narthex, near the sanctuary doors. If you would like to request prayers today, please fill out a slip and hand it to one of the ushers prior to the service.

RIDES TO CHURCH ... If anyone needs a ride to church, please call the church office (632-7771) before Friday of each week, and the deacons will arrange a pick up time

DEACON PRAYER CHAIN ... Please continue to remember the Deacon Prayer Chain, if you, or someone you know, are in need of prayers. Contact Michelle Markstrom. Thank you.

ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING ... The annual One Great Hour of Sharing offering will be collected on Palm Sunday, March 25th. These funds go directly to PC(USA) to support the Presbyterian Hunger Program, the Self-Development of People, and Presbyterian Disaster Assistance programs throughout the world. Coin boxes will be available for children and youth to give, too. "Sharing Resources. Changing Lives".

EASTER EGG HUNT The Christian Education Committee will be doing an Easter Egg Hunt for our youngsters again this year, on Easter Sunday. Breakfast will be at 9 a.m., with the Masons, and the Easter Egg Hunt will follow at 9:30 a.m. We are looking for donations of candy. If you would like to help out with this project, please bring donations to the church office. Thanks so much!

CHANGE OF DATE . . .PW RUMMAGE SALE ... Saturday April 14th from 9 am to 1 pm. We will be setting up and accepting donations beginning Tuesday, April 10th, thru Friday from 9 am to 2 pm and also Wednesday evening 6:30-8:30 pm. Please no cell phone or computers. Workers are needed for setup and the day of the sale. As you are spring cleaning, please keep the Rummage Sale in mind. **Thank you**

TEXTILE SOCIAL ... The Textile Social meets from 10 am to 2 pm in the Social Hall every Thursday. You are invited to bring your textile project and a sack lunch and share time with others with similar interests. Call Ruth Wilson at 632-9355 or Anita Weinrick at 632-3207 with any questions.

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY'S RESTORE is doing well but over the winter has gotten a little low on inventory. Please bring us any of the following: household appliances (even the ones that don't work because we recycle metal for money) also beds, tools, building materials, light fixtures, and more. The ReStore is located at 400 Sheridan Avenue. Phone: 906-632-6616 **Open:** 10-4 Wednesday thru Saturday

CHURCH SUPPLIES NEEDED ... It is time to ask again for donations of copier paper. We can use copier paper for the church office (20 lb, any brightness). Thank you for any donations you can make. Your generosity really helps cut our expenses!

PRESBYTERIAN POINT CAMP WISH LIST ... It is time to start thinking about Presbytery Point Camp and items they have on their wish list. For more information see the list on the bulletin board and to arrange getting item(s) to camp, call Caron at (906)869-0925 or email at ppccc@presbyterypoint.org. Thanks!

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY ... The Women's Bible Study Group will continue to meet Wednesday mornings at 9:30 A.M. in the library. Ladies, come join us!

SERVING US THIS WEEK

Greeters: Wendy Pearce and Jeanne Shibley

Ushers: Sara Jones, Denise Folkersma, Jackie Johnson, Sharon Sheppard, & Tom Thoresen

Soup N' Sandwich: - Deacons

SERVING US NEXT WEEK

Greeters: Kaye Vining and Wanda Eby

Ushers: Ron Meister, David Bernier, Chad Folkersma, Fred Michels, Roger Roe, & Paul Sabourin

Soup Kitchen: - Kaye and Melissa

Sunday School Attendance: 5

Attendance Last week: 62

Last week's offering: \$2,303

Year-to-02/28/18 offerings: \$28,557

Year-to-02/28/18 expenses: \$38,490 (\$9,933)