

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 "Hallelujah" (Cohen)
David Blackburn/Jackie Tastor

* DOXOLOGY "O Bless the Gifts" #817

**O bless the gifts our hands have brought;
And bless the work our hearts have planned.
Ours is the faith, the will, the thought;
The rest, O God, is in Your hand.**

* PRAYER OF DEDICATION

O God, who alone can keep us from falling, we come bearing gifts in response to your grace. Thanksgiving we offer for the mercies you give us. Glad praises we sing for the salvation Christ has won for us. Our acts we commit to your righteous judgment. We acknowledge the guidance your Holy Spirit bestows. All that we have is a gift of salvation; we commit ourselves to you in response to Christ's call.

* CLOSING HYMN "Precious Lord, Take My Hand" #684

* BENEDICTION

* POSTLUDE



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Liturgist - Doris Boogerd

Music - Kay E. Boyne

August 29, 2021 10:00 AM Worship Service

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

OUR APPROACH TO GOD

PRELUDE

INTROIT "As We Gather in This Place" (Boyd)

CALL TO WORSHIP

Let everyone be quick to listen, slow to speak, and slow to anger.

Let us welcome with meekness the implanted word that has the power to save our souls.

Be doers of the word, and not merely hearers, so you may be blessed in all you do.

Pure religion is to care for orphans and widows and not to be stained by the world.

Let us worship God!

PRAYER OF PRAISE AND ADORATION

* HYMN "Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee" #90

* PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of strength and might, we confess our neglect of salvation's armor. We have not girded our loins with truth. The breastplate of righteousness is tarnished by our lax behavior. Our feet are caked with mud from battles fought unshod by the gospel of peace. We have laid aside the shield of faith, and weakened our defense in a hostile world. Help us once again to don the helmet of salvation and to raise the sword of the word against the powers that oppose you, so that in all our struggles we may rely solely on your strength.

* ASSURANCE OF PARDON

* 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.

ANTHEM "Put Your Hand In the Hand" (MacLellan)

CHILDREN'S SERMON

THE WORD OF GOD

SCRIPTURE LESSONS

James 1:17 - 27 (page 202, NT)

Mark 7:1 - 23 (pages 36 - 37, NT)

SERMON "What to Eat"

* HYMN "Amazing Grace" #343

* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH The Apostles' Creed

Let us say what we believe.

The Apostles' Creed

**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;**

About First United Presbyterian Church

This Week's Calendar August 29, 2021 - September 5, 2021	
Sunday, August 29	Monday, August 30
9:00 AM Early Coffee Hour (WR) 10:00 AM Worship Service 10:15 AM Sunday School	7:00 PM Boy Scout Troop #105 Meeting
Tuesday, August 31	Wednesday, September 1
Thursday, September 2	Friday, September 3
10:00 AM Textile Social (SH)	9:00 AM Men's Bible Study
Saturday, September 4	Sunday, September 5
9:00 AM NA Meeting (WR) 7:00 PM AA Meeting (WR)	9:00 AM Early Coffee Hour (WR) 10:00 AM Worship/Communion Service 10:15 AM Sunday School

"Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe."

John 20:29 (NRSV)

Church Staff

Minister	Rev. Mark D. Gabbard pastor@soopresbyterian.org
Commissioned Ruling Elder	Brenda Ransom
Clerk of Session	Jessica Kuenzer
President of Trustees	Michael Lussier
Chairman of Deacons	Jeanne Shibley
Music Director/ Organist	Kay E. Boyne
Financial/Admin. Assistant	Denise Goldade office@soopresbyterian.org
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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



Please Silence

All cell phones & pagers prior to worship service.

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.

- ✦ Sunday Worship 10:00 AM
(Children join the 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.
- ✦ An asterisk (*) preceding a service element indicates the congregation should stand.
- ✦ **Bold** indicates congregation participation.

Hearing Assistance

is now 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

Serve others through the power of the Holy Spirit

IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS THIS WEEK

We encourage you to remember these people in your prayers throughout the coming week:

Diane McMeeken, Charles Porter, Jon Burgess, Jeffrey Burgess,
Carolyn Shaw, Debbie Stover, Della Porter, Scott Kallemeyn,
Shelby Myers, Andrea Klier, Donna LaPlaunt, Patricia Farnhill,
Jennifer Veum, Matilynn Strange, Geraldine Carnahan, Gina Gough,
Sandy Shaw, Jane Kellan, Dave & Leslie Henderson, Tom Woodgate,
William Kellan, Lillian Donelson, 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 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.

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.

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.

AUGUST MONTHLY MISSION PROJECT ... The Wednesday Women's Bible Study is partnering with the Salvation Army for the month of August to help provide paper products to those in need. The following items are being requested:

Paper towels
Toilet paper
Feminine hygiene supplies.

God has so generously blessed us, and we thank you for your donations to help others in need. Once again, thank you for all your generosity in donating to our community agencies!

SUNDAY SCHOOL PREPARATIONS ... Sunday, September 12th, we are kicking off the new Sunday School season. Backpack Blessing and Sunday School Registration.

MEIJER'S SIMPLY GIVE CAMPAIGN ... is July 4 through October 2! Our pantry benefits from the proceeds of this campaign. Meijer will match every \$10 donated to the campaign. In turn, our pantry will receive gift cards to make food purchases.

OFFICE CLOSED ... The Office is closed every Friday until Labor Day. Also, the office is closed Labor Day.

The following is a schedule of churches for upcoming prayer:

Week of August 30th

Presbyterian Church, Spruce

SCRUBBIES ... \$3.00 Each or \$8.00 for Three. Suggested uses for Scrubbies that won't Scratch: Scrub Dishes, Pots, & Pans, Scrub Veggies, Scrub Bugs off Windshields, Scrub Bathtubs and Sinks

DEACON PRAYER CHAIN ... Please continue to remember the Deacon Prayer Chain, if you, or someone you know, are in need of prayers. Contact Jeanne Shibley at 906-630-1707. Thank you.

TEXTILE SOCIAL ... The Textile Social Group will continue to meet during the summer months on Thursday from 10 am to 2 pm in the Social Hall.

PW FUNDRAISER It's the Ultimate Cloth! Washable, bleachable, cleans with water only—good for 100's of uses, inside, outside and all around the house. They clean streak free, spot free, lint & dust free—guaranteed! Great for windows, windshields, leather, chrome, paint, Plexiglas, vinyl, and fiberglass. Cost is \$6.00 ea., or 5 for \$25.00. Get yours today!

PW DISH CLOTH SALE The PW famous Dish Cloths are for sale at \$1.25 each. Buy several—the price is right!

SERVING US THIS WEEK

Greeters: Julie Walsh and Wanda Eby

Ushers: Jessica Kuenzer, Terri Marsh, Julie Walsh, & Terry Lamb

Soup Kitchen: - NA

SERVING US NEXT WEEK

Greeters: Terry Lamb and Wanda Eby

Ushers: Sara Jones, Laura Moening, Jackie Johnson, Mindy Fox, & Tom Thoresen

Soup Kitchen: - NA

Sunday School Attendance:

Attendance 08/22/21 week: 41 08/22/21 week's offering: \$4,095
Year-to-07/31/21 offerings: \$90,403 Year-to-07/31/21 expenses: \$97,616