FIRST PRESBYTERIAN

E-Link

January 27, 2021

Worship
Join us weekly on our website:
Firstprescf.org

This Weekend's Worship – Annual Meeting
Reflection: Now You Are All the Body of Christ
Scripture: I Corinthians 12:12-27

Pastor's Ponderings - ANNUAL MEETING – January 31 at 10:00am

On January 31, our online service of worship will include our Annual meeting. We will offer to God the work of the past year and open our hearts to what God is calling us to as a community for 2021. As Christ followers, we do not separate our mission and work from our worship, everything we say and do is an offering to God our Creator, Redeemer, and Sustainer. So, we will worship together with the service recording during our time together on Zoom. Our worship service will also be available in all of the usual ways in addition to the live option on the 31st.

Since we are not worshiping in person, we are once again called upon to use our energy, intelligence, imagination, and love to continue our work as best possible in the time of pandemic. Below you will find instructions on ways you are able to vote. Choose the heading that describes the way you are able to join, then follow the instructions. There will not be an in-person option this year.

I will be joining online via Zoom.

We will be worshiping together with our prerecorded service and continue with a live meeting. Viewing and voting will happen within the Zoom platform. You may join by computer device or by phone. We will give all instructions you need for voting during the meeting. It is surprisingly easy! If you have more than one voter in your household, one device per voter is ideal for voting. If this is not possible, please follow the instructions for casting votes via email *for any voters beyond one*. **ZOOM LINK:**

https://zoom.us/j/93754455270?pwd=eTNMa21pY25vSGlLS1luZkNTRFJPUT09

Meeting ID: 937 5445 5270
Passcode: 799000
To phone in: 1 312 626 6799

Tip: If you are using the Zoom application, please make sure you have downloaded the latest update!

I will be casting my votes via email.

Ballots will be sent to you attached to Fridays' worship email. *Please do not email a ballot if you vote via Zoom.* Ballots include all motions currently expected at the meeting. If new issues arise at the meeting you may add them to the ballot as needed. Return your completed ballot by email to office@firstprescf.org; Using the subject line "BALLOT."

I will be casting my votes via phone.

If you do not have email, ballots will be sent to you by letter. If new issues arise at the meeting you may add them to the ballot as needed. Call the church office at 319-277-3930 to report your vote.

***All votes must be received by 3:00pm on Monday, February 1, 2021 to be counted.**

The results of the voting will be shared via E-link on Wednesday, February 3.

We have so much to celebrate from 2020! Our annual report is full of ways we have continued growing in faith, uniting in love, and reaching out to others in a difficult year. I look forward to seeing the next creative way we engage our community together.
With gratitude and joy,

Pastor Julie

Church Birthdays
Jan. 27-Tom Mulligan, Duane Dean, 30-Donna Henn, 31-Louann Flaherty

For your prayers…
Gretchen Jones, aunt of **Pastor Julie**

Harlon Eckhoff

'Pete' McCart

Marlys Folkers' grandson Eli

Zoom Meetings
Wednesday, January 27
6:15 pm Elementary aged SHINE
Friday, January 29
10:00 am 'Caste' Book Study Group
Sunday, January 31
WORSHIP AND ANNUAL MEETING
10:00 AM
(no Fellowship Hour)
Tuesday, February 2
6:00 pm Grand Sweep Bible Study
7:00 pm CYF Team Mtg.
Wednesday, February 3
1:00 pm Personnel Team
6:15 pm Jr. High aged SHINE
7:00 pm Chancel Choir

Thanks for serving last week:

Guest Preacher: Rev. Pat Geadelmann
Organist: Louann Flaherty
Vocalist: Bradley Krug
Worship Leader: Carolyn Stephenson
Snow Shoveling: Rob Cline, Jim Seeley, Gary Sabey, Gary Clark

Presbyterian Pantry Opportunities

Pastor Dan asked to forward the link for volunteering at the Presbyterian Pantry at Westminster in Waterloo. If working at NEIFB is not an option for you, this might be a better fit. They have options that greatly limit contact with others for safety reasons. The options are separated by Saturday mornings or Thursday evenings. Should anyone wish to help pre-pack the day prior to our pantry openings, please have them call the church directly at 234-5501.

PANTRY LINK: wpcw.org/volunteer

Member Anniversaries

Abby Hendrickson: 2/19/06, 15 yrs
Harriett Bullock: 2/25/01, 20 yrs

Sympathy to:

- The family of **Joan Smalley,** who recently passed away. Joan was a long time organist for our church.
- The family of Rev. Robert Roof, retired Cedar Heights pastor, who passed this weekend.

Memorial Gifts

Because we are not having in-person worship at this time, we are not receiving much cash (currency.) Memorial gifts are deposited in a separate checking account from all other donations. Cash is required to 'split' any checks that have a combination of General and Memorial gifts. This **only** effects memorials, not special offerings. We request that at this time, memorial donations be written on separate checks. We apologize for any inconvenience and thank you for helping us to make deposits in a timely manner.

Prayer for Worship

Living God, you meet us in unexpected places and surprise us with the abundance or your love. As we look back at your work in our lives over the past year, prompt in us new ways to grow, unite, and reach out to others in our community. Amen.

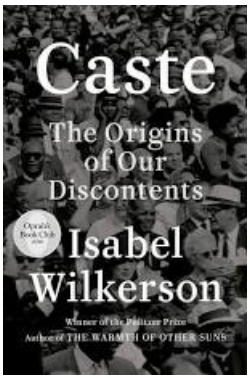
Souperbowl of Caring

Children, Youth and Family Ministries will be hosting a donation drop-off event on Sunday, February 7 from 10:00 am - 11:00 am. You may donate non-perishable food items or a cash gift. **Attached** to this email are more details, including a map directing drop-off traffic.

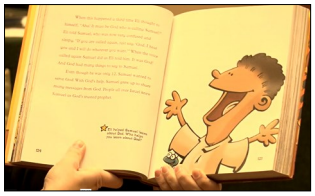
Happy Birthday!

Tom Mulligan is turning 70 years old today! It's not too late to send him a card wishing him a happy birthday: 2156 Touchae, Waterloo 50702.

First Presbyterian Book Study
The First Presbyterian Book Group meets on Fridays at 10:00 am through February 26 with Zoom discussions of the book Caste--The Origins of Our Discontents by Isabel Wilkerson. It's not too late to join in.



Story Book Readers Needed for Virtual Library
Lent is coming and we need volunteers to read for our SHINE children and youth. We are video recording a virtual library for our children to see/hear some familiar people while celebrating Lent from home. We have the books, we just need readers. If you wish to schedule a time to come into the church to be recorded.



The Lectionary Study
Please join us on Mondays at 10:00am as we explore the sermon texts for the following Sunday. If you have questions, please email Pastor Julie: pastor @firstprescf.org

Join Zoom Meeting
https://zoom.us/j/93698745489?pwd=eWxCa20zL2NYb3g3L2wrWVRLMVlaZz09

Meeting ID: 936 9874 5489
Passcode: 517561
By phone: 1 312 626 6799

- Use this link to participate. Emails will not be sent. -

Fellowship Hour
Join us on Sundays at 11:00 am.
Topic: Fellowship Hour
https://zoom.us/j/97475746240?pwd=RXlwT1FncXhuMTk4MlZ3OGc4NEdDUT09
Meeting ID: 974 7574 6240
Passcode: 504524
To Phone In: 1-312-626-6799

The Grand Sweep Bible Study
The Grand Sweep Bible Study class meets via Zoom weekly on Tuesday evenings at 6:00 pm and lasts until 7:30 pm through mid-April.
Grand Sweep Bible Study

Meeting ID: 822 0157 7459
Passcode: 879309
To phone in: 1 312 626 6799

Worship Leaders Needed
We are looking for people to lead worship with Pastor Julie on Thursdays at approximately 3:30 pm. Please sign on the Google doc: Worship Leaders.