



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN

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June 2, 2021

Worship
Join us weekly on
our website:
Firstprescf.org

Sermon: "Sabbath Sense"

Scripture: Deut. 5:12-15, Mark 2:23-3:6

Prayer of Preparation

God of Sunday and Sabbath,
we praise you for your work of creation and
give thanks for your gift of rest.
By the power of your Word and Spirit, let there
be a new creation here among us—a place
where all may enjoy your good gifts of life and
freedom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Ways to join worship: In-person with
reservation, Facebook Live
at **10:00am** on Sunday, by recording
(to be posted on our website on Mon-
day), via CFU Public Access channel
95.5 or 18 on Saturday nights at 7:00
p.m. and Sundays at 12:00 noon (CFU
services lag by a week).

Opening to New Possibilities – Let's Sing Without Reservation!

"Please refrain from singing." Mark that as
number 37 in my list of quotes I never
thought I would say during a worship service.
As I spoke it at our worship service last Sun-
day my stomach tied in knots as I pushed
down the urge to say, "Stand and sing loud-
er!" Oh, how I have missed congregational
singing and unison prayer over these many
months, and I know I am not the only one.

I am practically giddy to announce that con-
gregational song will return to our services
starting this Sunday! Noting our high vaccina-
tion rate and low infection rate, Session has
changed some of our protocol for gathering.
Here's what's new:

- Congregational singing and unison
prayer is welcome WITH masks and dis-
tancing.
- RESERVATIONS ARE NO LONGER
NEEDED to attend worship. Attendance
will be taken in case of any need for con-
tact tracing.
- COMMUNION will be served this Sun-
day. The elements will be a gluten-free
cracker and a grape. We will pick up these
elements from a table on our way into the
sanctuary. Elements will have been pack-
aged with utmost care by gloved and
masked preparers.

Please note that some protocol will stay
in place with the goal of lifting it step-by-
step as it is deemed safe for everyone.
Here are some things that stay the same
(for now):

- MASKS and DISTANCING required
indoors.
- ENTRY through the Northeast
entrance and EXIT through the
Main Street doors.
- OFFERING will continue to be
collected at the door.
- DISMISSAL by shepherds from
back to front.
- Lower level is closed on Sunday
mornings.
- ONLINE worship will continue.

I look forward to seeing many of you—
and hearing you—on Sunday.

Joyfully,

Pastor Julie

Church Birthdays

Jun 5-Reese Stolte,
6-Tanner Barber,
7-Bennett Connolly,
8-Jackson Humpal,
2-Molly Wells

For your prayers...
Brad and Sandy Jensen's
sister-in-law, Julie

Tristan Warren,

**Notice of important up-
coming events:** *A full
schedule is on page 2.*

Zoom Fellowship Hour
has been **suspended**
for the summer.

Sunday, June 6

10:00 am In-Person wor-
ship with Communion.
11:30 am SHINE Family
Event, 322 Joanne, CF

Thanks for serving last week:

Worship Leader: Brad Jensen

Elder Representative: Patti Humpal

Pianist: Connie Herbon

Computer Operator: Dave Luck

Shepherds: Doug & Sandy Lawry, Jean Boller, Shirley Hill, Jan Thedens

Lawn care: Gary Clark

SHINE Summer Celebration

Who: SHINE Families Parents must stay with children for the event

When: Sunday, June 6th @ 11:30

Food will be served at noon

Where: contact us for the location

What: Yard games, food, drinks, treats, and the chance to see your church friends in person!

Parents must stay with children!

***BYOC (Bring Your Own Chairs)**



COMMUNION DETAILS

- Communion will consist of one gluten free cracker and one grape in a zip-lock bag per person.
- Bags with half a grape are available for small children.
- Bags will be set out on a table in the narthex.
- Take a bag as you enter the sanctuary.
- Take the empty bag out with you after worship. A trash can will be in the narthex as you exit.

This week's schedule (Zoom and on-site)

• Wednesday, June 2

6:30 pm Deacons, dining room/Zoom

• Thursday, June 3

9:30 am Martha Circle, dining room

• Saturday, June 5

10:00 am Private Lakin Funeral, family only

• Sunday, June 6

10:00 am Worship with Communion, sanctuary

11:30 am SHINE Summer Celebration

• Tuesday, June 8

6:30 pm Book Group, Zoom

Beware of hacking!

Scammers have been actively targeting churches in our area...including ours! These often appear as emails or texts that like they are from church offices or pastors requesting donations usually in the form of **gift cards**. (Gift cards are like cash and cannot be traced.) Please know, **we will never solicit donations in this way.** If you receive such a message, DELETE it and BLOCK the number.



FCC | CONSUMER CONNECTIONS

Avoid Spoofing Scams

Phone scammers often disguise their identity by using illegal spoofing techniques to send false information to your caller ID display. To trick you into answering, spoofers may use local area codes and numbers that look familiar. Or they may impersonate a company you do business with, such as a local utility, or even a government agency.

Here are some good ways to avoid being spoofed:

- ✓ Don't answer calls from unknown numbers.
- ✓ If you answer and it's not who you expected, don't hang on, hang up.
- ✓ If a caller asks you to hit a button to stop getting calls, just hang up.
- ✓ Never assume an unexpected call is legitimate. Hang up and call back using a number you can verify on a bill, a statement, or an official website.
- ✓ Be suspicious. Con artists can be very convincing: They may ask innocuous questions, or sound threatening, or sometimes seem too good to be true.
- ✓ Don't give out personal information – account numbers, Social Security numbers or passwords – or answer security questions.
- ✓ Use extreme caution if you are being pressured for immediate payment.
- ✓ Ask your phone company about call blocking tools for landlines or apps for mobile devices.
- ✓ Report spoofing scams to law enforcement, the FCC and the FTC.



Learn more at [fcc.gov/spoofing](https://www.fcc.gov/spoofing)

Welcome to our church family!

Kristin Sjolander joined our membership on Sunday, May 30. Madison Rose, daughter of Kristin and Kurt Sjolander, was baptized on Sunday also.

Member Anniversaries

Margaret Clark, 6/28/81 - 40 yrs

Sundays - Fellowship Hour

The Zoom Fellowship Hour is being **suspended** for the summer. We will re-evaluate it later for the fall.

We invite you to greet one another outside after worship on the west lawn/parking lot. Please practice safe social protocols.

Sundays - Worship Leaders **Needed!!**

We are looking for people to lead worship with Pastor Julie on Sunday mornings. Please sign on our Sign Up Genius Form: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0D4BA9A728ABF4CF8-worship>

Sundays - Your Turn to Shepherd

We need 5 “shepherds” per service to guide worshipers through the building on Sundays. To sign up, please click on the **Sign-Up Genius link**: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0D4BA9A728ABF4CF8-shepherds1>

Weekly Lawn Mowing Volunteers

Please use the link below to pick a slot to mow the church lawn. Two self-propelled lawnmowers are available. You will receive an email reminder 2 days prior. <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0D4BA9A728ABF4CF8-lawn>

Mondays - The Lectionary Study

Please join us on Mondays at 10:00am as we explore the sermon texts for the following Sunday.

<https://zoom.us/j/94644619364?pwd=M1J6YTU1RlB1dTkYLTdGTkUteWJ0dz09>

Meeting ID: 946 4461 9364

Passcode: 158493

To phone in: 1 312 626 6799

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

THERE'S a NEW GROUP at CHURCH!

WORKING for JUSTICE: BREAKING BIAS

Are you curious about this new group and what we are doing? We meet on Zoom and continue to learn more about racial inequalities and systemic poverty in our country and locally.

On **May 26**, Rev. Erica MacCreaigh of Westminster Presbyterian Church in Sioux City, Iowa met with us. She spoke to us about a group at her church that has been doing similar learning.

You can listen to the recording of our May 26 meeting at this link: https://zoom.us/rec/share/FN98WoMEPrFhfvlajWTI7AQAcH-fxlg6Tbt3nyymfq7Z2U-w4hncIXczUoF_lbr.r9yRmY9d7BFtY4YV Passcode: m8+T.%N3

Join us on June 16 at 10 AM! Cedar Heights Presbyterian Pastor Dave Kivett will join us to talk about his work on the Cedar Falls Human Rights Commission.

Northeast Iowa Food Bank Volunteer Survey

The Community Ministries Team is trying to discern whether there is enough interest to commit to providing a group of volunteers for NIFB. Please follow the link and submit your (confidential) answers. Please note that there are ads in the link – just ignore them! Here's the link: [NIFB Interest Survey](#)

Joyce Hufferd Funeral

A funeral service for Joyce Hufferd will be at our church on Saturday, June 12, 10:00 am. The family is welcoming members of our church to attend. Space is limited. There is no reception afterwards.

Please sign up online:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0D4BA9A728ABF4CF8-hufferd>

Did you sign up for camp??

If so, please log on to our church's sign-up page to fill out your child's name, camp session and date *so we can send in payment*. Spots are limited due to Covid, so register now! Log onto our church's form **to apply for payment**: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0D4BA9A728ABF4CF8-camp>