



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN

January 26, 2022

10:30 am
Sunday Worship
Firstprescf.org



This Weekend's Worship

**Celebrating the Work of the Church
Annual Meeting**

Sermon: A Community of Hope

Scripture: First Corinthians 12:12-27

Prayer of Preparation via enfleshed

Creator of all, though you have shaped us as an ecosystem, we are surrounded by illusions of individualism. Resources are commodified. People suffer in isolation. Even joy is hoarded. May we be a community brave and vulnerable enough to live otherwise. That we may become so much more together than we could ever be alone. Amen.

Church Birthdays

Jan. 26-Brad Braley, 27-
Tom Mulligan, Duane
Dean, 28-A.J. Seeley, Feb.
7-Julie Rokes

For your prayers...
Sandy Lawry's friend's 3
year old grandson.

CHANGE TO THE BY-LAWS NOTICE

Session voted unanimously January 11, 2022 on the following proposed By-Laws changes as presented December 15, 2021. Please read through these changes in preparation for you vote on January 30. They will now be voted upon by the congregation at the Annual Meeting January 30, 2022.

Article IV Membership: by deleting "inactive members" and inserting "and others." The sentence will then read: "Categories of membership in this church include baptized members, active members, affiliate members, and others."

Rational: This complies with the Presbytery By-Laws.

Article VI The Session, Section 5 Meetings: regarding electronic notification of meetings and electronic voting by adding the following points.

Meetings may be held electronically and are subject to the same requirements as those held in person.

Notice of such meetings shall be given in writing electronically or via regular mail not less than one week prior there to.

Voting at a meeting by an absent Elder, Deacon, or Ministry Team/Committee member shall be allowed via an electronic presence (real-time video or telephone), e-mail, or written communication.

Rational: To comply with current practices.

Article VIII Nominations, Section 1 Nominating Committee: by changing the requirements to read:

A Nominating Committee shall be formed annually with the following membership:

- A. From two Elders to: *One Elder selected by the Session, whom will be designated chair of the committee.*
- B. One *Deacon* member from the Board of Deacons, selected by the Board of Deacons.
- C. From four members and two alternates to: *Three members from the congregation elected at the Annual Meeting.*
- D. The pastor shall be an ex-officio member.

Rational: A decrease in number of committee members to reflect the decreased number of members of the governing bodies and offer realistic expectations for congregational representation.

Notice...

ANNUAL MEETING

January 30.

Our annual meeting will be this Sunday, January 30 **during worship, 10:30 am.** We will be voting on our budget, the pastor's terms of call, change to the by-laws and new officers. Copies of the annual report are in the narthex.

There will be a **forum to discuss the annual report at 9:30 am** in the dining room on January 30 as well.

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Greeter Sign Up:

[Sign Up Genius: Greeters](#)

Worship Leader Sign Up:

[Sign Up Genius: Worship Leaders](#)

Thanks for serving last week:

Worship Leader: Kay Leeper

Videographer: Neal Leeper

Computer Operator: Dave Luck

Audio Archive for Worship: Eric Braley

Snow Removal: Jim Seeley, Gary Clark

Safe Ministry Building Security Notice!

The Safe Ministry Team has listened to concerns from members regarding building security after Sunday worship and other times when limited numbers of people are present.

Therefore, when there are no other activities, on Sundays the building **WILL BE LOCKED at 11:45 am** after worship.

You can stay later, but when you leave the building the door will lock behind you, and you cannot get back in without a key.

How to reach the pastor, the Rev. Julie Erkel Hagee:

Through Lynette Cline in the church office, Monday through Friday from 8:30 am to 3:30 pm: (319) 277-3930 or office@firstprescf.org

E-mail: pastor@firstprescf.org

Friday is Pastor Julie's Sabbath day. General correspondence will not be answered until she returns to the office.

Contact us for a number regarding pastoral emergencies.

Thank you!

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

Wednesday, January 26

10:00 am Working for Justice, Zoom

Sunday, January 30

9:30 am Forum on Annual Report, dining room

10:30 am Worship & Annual Meeting, sanctuary
-SHINE breakout sessions

Wednesday, February 2

10:00 am Working for Justice, Zoom

Thursday, February 3

1:00 pm Esther Circle, Zoom

Weather Notifications

In the case of inclement weather when Sunday worship is canceled, notifications will be publicized:

- On KWWL news (scrolling on the bottom of the screen)
- KWWL's website
- Our church's website
- Our Facebook page
- The church's voicemail
- An email will be sent to the congregation
- The digital sign board in the church yard will display a cancellation notice.

(Lynette is able to do all of these from home.)

Thank You

Dear Session and members,
On behalf of the Staff of First Presbyterian Church, we sincerely thank you for the year-end bonus we received in December.

The challenges of the pandemic have created a new normal for all of us. Thank you for recognizing our efforts, and for your participation in keeping our ministry and mission strong and fruitful.

In Christ,
The Staff of First Presbyterian Church

Working for Justice: Breaking Bias

February Session begins next week!

DEAR CHURCH: A Love Letter from a Black Preacher to the Whitest Denomination in the U.S. by Lenny Duncan

Dear Church offers a bold new vision for the future of Duncan's denomination and the broader mainline Christian community of faith. *Dear Church* rejects the narrative of church decline and calls everyone to the front lines of the church's renewal through racial equality and justice.

Discussion Schedule:

Discussions are Wednesday mornings at 10:00 am on Zoom.

February 2: Intro and Chapters 1, 2, 3

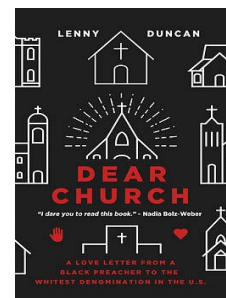
February 9: Chapters 4 & 5

February 16: Chapters 6, 7, 8

February 23: Chapters 9, 10, 11

Purchase your book, mark your calendars, start your reading, and plan to join us!! All are welcome!

**Contact us to participate.



Souperbowl of Caring, February 13

Watch for our Souperbowl of Caring event on Sunday, Feb. 13. There will be a noisy offering during worship.

We will also be collecting food. **A few kids/youth will be taking non-perishable food donations in the northeast entrance on that day.**

If you are unable to attend that day and wish to bring food items, please put them in the church library. A cart is available in the entryway.



Summer Camp

Camp Wyoming has announced their upcoming season. The Early Bird deadline is March 15. For information or to register, go to their website: campwyoming.net. Call 563-488-3893 with questions.

Scholarship Opportunity

The Dorothy Horn Scholarship provides financial assistance to women from Presbyterian churches who attend the University of Northern Iowa. Dorothy Horn attended UNI and her estate established this scholarship endowment, which is administered by our church.

Those interested in more information, or an application packet, should contact First Presbyterian Church in Cedar Falls. Materials can be requested by calling **319-277-3930** or by email: office@firstprescf.org. All applications must be returned by **April 1, 2022**.

HIRING NOW – Begins immediately

Children, Youth and Families (CYF) Ministry Leader

16 hours a week scheduled over 41 weeks

NOTE: If you or someone you know would be a good fit for this position, please contact the church office: office@firstprescf.org or 319-277-3930 for a more detailed description of the position, qualifications and an application form.

We are seeking an individual who has the ability to excite and inspire children and youth. Someone with a solid foundation of progressive Christian values and beliefs, and education or experience in childhood education with experience in Christian education for children and youth preferred.

This person will be working with our CYF team and church member volunteers to teach children's programming on Sunday mornings September through May, provide leadership in the summer for Bible School activities, and for other seasonal events throughout the year. Additional activities may require evening or occasional week-end time.

The position allows flexible hours for planning including some regular office time and virtual meetings (Zoom), along with an ability to work from home.

Anyone interested in applying for this position, please contact the church office,

We welcome applications from all qualified individuals on an equal opportunity basis as defined in the Equal Opportunity and Accommodations policy of Session (available on request).