



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN

June 1, 2022

10:00 am  
Sunday Worship  
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This Weekend's Worship – **10:00 am**  
**CELEBRATE PENTECOST!**

We will welcome our new class  
of Deacons and Elders

**Pentecost:** The Unexpected Acts of God

**Sermon:** The Ultimate Surprise Party

**Scripture:** Acts 2:1-21

If you are worshipping from afar, please prepare elements for communion before you join the service. Whatever representation of bread and wine you have is suitable. God speaks through the extraordinary and the ordinary!

**Prayer of Preparation**

Surprising God, in the resurrection of Jesus Christ you make all things new.

Long ago you called your church to a love beyond all social and cultural differences and gave them the gift of your Holy Spirit to open their hearts to enact such love. Give us that same spirit of openness, that we too might discern new directions in our day for your dream to reconcile and heal all creation.

In Jesus' name we pray. **Amen.**

**The Ultimate Surprise Party – Acts 2:1-21**

All the astonishing events in Acts (and in the church since) can be traced back to an ordinary room filled with wondering and waiting disciples. When we think of the strange events that happened in the room that Pentecost day, we've often focused on the unusual occurrences: the tongues of fire, the violent wind, and the sudden ability to speak in other languages. Those things certainly must have been the greatest shock of the moment for the disciples and their friends. But the hidden surprise, the truly astonishing outcome that occurred, is the change in the followers of Jesus—not just at the moment, but from that point on. Once they received the Holy Spirit, they were different. Bolder, more able to minister with power from above, less afraid of human retribution, more unified and certain of their purpose to spread gospel. These were a few of the characteristics of a new body of believers born that day, one we call the church.

All of the surprising, amazing, unexpected events that happened throughout Acts, stories we've told through this series, would never have happened without the day of Pentecost, the day the church was born. Every Pentecost since then has been a celebration of the church's birthday, the day we remember with all how the Holy Spirit took a ragtag band of followers (including us) and made them into something powerful for God's Kingdom. My prayer is that God will continue to surprise the world and us!

*Pastor Julie*



**Church Birthdays**

Jun. 1-Rhett Woodruff, 5-Reese Stolte, 6-Tanner Barber, 7-Bennett Connolly, 8-Jackson Humpal, 12-Molly Wells, 13-Debbie Smith

**Sympathy to...**

Sympathy to the family of **Dave Lemons**. Dave passed away Thursday, May 26. Service details are pending.

**Notice...**

The office will close tomorrow, June 2 at 1:00 pm.

Worship begins at 10:00 am this Sunday for the summer. Wear a firey color for Pentecost.

**Volunteers can sign up anytime online:**

**Greeter Sign Up:**

[Sign Up Genius: Greeters](#)

**Worship Leader Sign Up:**

[Sign Up Genius: Worship Leaders](#)

*Or sign up in the narthex!*

## Thanks for serving last week:

**Worship Leader:** Connie Herbon

**Videographer:** Neal Leeper

**Computer Operator:** Dave Luck

**Lawn Mowing:** Doug & Sandy Lawry

(Mowing the week of 6/5 - Brad Braley)

### Dolly Parton's Imagination Library in Black Hawk County!

Exciting news for Black Hawk County Families! Registration for Dolly Parton's Imagination Library is now LIVE and enrolling new families. If you live in Black Hawk County and have a child under age 5, you can sign them up to receive a FREE book every month. Register your child online via the registration link below!

<https://imaginationlibrary.com/usa/affiliate/IABLACKHAWK/>

### Pentecost Offering

The Pentecost Offering nurtures the faith of those who are the church now and to come – children, youth and young adults. **40% of the Pentecost offering from our church goes to our Soles for Souls shoe/clothing project for children and youth.**



### Boys' Choir Concert

The North Star Boys' Choir of Maple Grove, Minnesota will be performing it's only Iowa concert at Our Redeemer Lutheran Church, 904 Bluff Street on Tuesday, June 14, 7:00 pm. The concert will feature sacred and folk music.

## This week's schedule

### Pentecost Sunday, June 5

**10:00 am** Worship, sanctuary  
Installation of Officers

### Tuesday, June 7

10:30 am Deacons Meeting, dining room  
5:00 pm Community Ministries, dining room

## Congratulations

Tom & Jeverna Mulligan will celebrate their 50th Wedding Anniversary on June 17.

Tim and Marlene King will celebrate their 49th Wedding Anniversary also on June 17.

## Membership Anniversary

Greg Dotseth, 6/27/82 - 40 yrs.

## Thank You

Because of your gifts of \$1,908 for Presbyterian Disaster Relief to the Ukraine, we have been able to rebuild their lives, support their neighbors, volunteer in recovery and exhibit resurrection life. Whenever I am able to meet these survivors face to face, I assure them of the continued prayers and fidelity of the people of the PCUSA.

Thank you in the name of the risen Lord,

Rev. Dr. Laurie Kraus

Director, Presbyterian Disaster Assistance

*Monies are from individual donations by members.*

