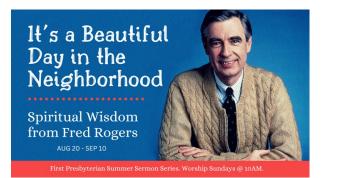


10:00 am Sunday Worship Firstprescf.org





# IT'S A BEAUTIFUL DAY IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD: Spiritual Wisdom from Fred Rogers

a worship series designed by Rev. Carol Holbrook Prickett

This four-week sermon series lifts up the spiritual wisdom of Mr. Rogers, who was both a children's television host and an ordained Presbyterian minister. We'll tackle tough topics like inclusion, self-doubt, and salvation.

## Worship on Sunday, August 20: "Won't You Be My Neighbor?"

Ecclesiastes 4:9-12; 1 John 4:7-21

"We live in a world in which we need to share responsibility. It's easy to say, 'It's not my child, not my community, not my world, not my problem.' Then there are those who see the need and respond. I consider those people my heroes."

Over the course of 31 seasons, Mr. Rogers sang his opening song, "Won't You Be My Neighbor?" over 900 times. Each rendition was an invitation for children across the country to enter a world of curiosity, love, and acceptance. That world came directly from Rev. Fred Rogers' Christian faith (he was an ordained Presby-terian minister), and from scriptures that call us to love our neighbor. His work was particularly poignant in an era of racial segregation, when many children were not allowed to live by neighbors who didn't look like them. While news stations ran stories of a white hotel owner who poured acid into pools where black youth were swimming, Mr. Rogers invited Officer Clemmons, a black man, to cool his feet in a baby pool right alongside him. Mr. Rogers' vision of a neighborhood where all are welcome to learn, grow, and be loved is itself a foretaste of the Kin-dom of God.

**Prayer:** God of compassion, you call us to respond to the needs of our neighbors. Help us step up to share the responsibility for your world in need. Amen.

**Church Birthdays** 

Aug. 21-Noah Tollefson

This Sunday in worship Installation of Elders and Deacons

#### Notice...

Lynette will be out of the office Thursday afternoon for a stress test.

#### Next Week

Lynette will be out of the office Monday, August 21 for cataract surgery on her left eye, and Tuesday morning for a follow-up appointment. *Regular office hours*, Monday-Friday, 8:00-3:30 will resume August 28.

#### Sign up anytime online:

Worship Leader Sign Up: Sign Up: Worship Leaders

Or sign up in the narthex!

Sunday Supper Helpers! Sunday Supper

# Thanks for serving last week:

Computer Operator: Steve Moon Special Music: Steve Moon & Connie Herbon Videographer: Neal Leeper Lawn Mowing: Eric Braley Lawn Mowing 8/20: available Internet Repair: Neal Leeper

### Love INC Fundraiser

Prince of Peace Church is having a festival to benefit Love INC of the Cedar Valley.

Saturday, September 9 9:00 am-2:00 pm 4031 Lafayette Rd, Evansdale Craft & Vendor Show, Car Show, Bake Sale, Quilt Show. Beef & Noodle Dinner, \$10: 11:00 am-1:00 pm

## **Release and Remember**

Cedar Valley Hospice will hold it's annual Release and Remember fundraising event Sunday, September 10, 1:00 -3:00 pm (program and butterfly release at 2:30 pm.) RiverLoop Amphitheatre 225 Commercial St, Waterloo Join us for lunch, children's activities and live music.

# It's Not Too Late!

You can still give to the Per Capita offering. The suggested amount is \$41 per member. Please make checks payable to the church with 'per capita' on the memo. Thank you for giving!

#### **Thank You**

Dear Friends,

Thank you for your gift of \$150. Your generosity enables us to be here to listen, guide and care for today's students and staff at UNI and Hawkeye Community College.

With heartfelt thanks,

David Glenn-Burns, Director/Campus Minister Money is from our local mission budget.

#### Dear Friends,

On behalf of the Cedar Valley Chamber Music Board of Directors, I would like to extend our thanks for allowing us to use your church for our concert.

It is such a wonderful space with warm acoustics! We hope that we can work with First Presbyterian Church again in the future.

Sincerely, Hunter Capoccioni, Artistic Director

#### Save the Date!

Sunday SHINE Kickoff and Backpack Blessing during worship on Sunday, September 10th.

A whole-congregation potluck will follow. Beverages will be provided.

We can't wait to see you!

