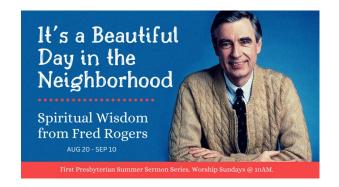


# E-Link

August 23, 2023

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 27: "The Mad That You Feel" Matthew 5:1-11

"People have said, "Don't cry," to other people for years, and all it has ever meant is, "I'm too uncomfortable when you show your feelings. Don't cry." I'd rather have them say, "Go ahead and cry. I'm here to be with you."

-Fred Rogers

Stemming from his own childhood experiences of loneliness and bullying, Mr. Rogers was dedicated to helping children express and explore the full range of human feeling. In his neighborhood, it was a blessing to be sad at sad things, mad at wrong things, and joyful at happy things. While contemporary children's shows made light of violence and exploited anger, Mr. Rogers went before congress to testify to the need for public television and funding for his own show, that taught children how to healthily deal with their feelings and experiences. Just as the beatitudes encourage us to see God's blessing in a wide spectrum of human experiences, Mr. Rogers committed to sitting with children in all their struggles, whether that was the loss of a pet, a divorce, the assassination of JFK, or the chaos of 9/11.

**VIDEO: Fred Rogers Before Congress** 

# **Church Birthdays**

Aug. 30-Jim Seeley, Kevin Thedens, Sep. 2-Reid Humpal

#### **Next Week**

Regular office hours, Monday-Friday, 8:00-3:30 will resume August 28.

## Coming Soon...

CROP Walk for Hunger, Sunday, September 24. Watch for details.

# 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:

Worship Leader: Jeverna Mulligan Computer Operator: Kirk Eastman Videographer: Kevin Thedens

Lawn Mowing: N/A

Lawn Mowing 8/27: Kirk Eastman

# In Appreciation



With gratitude for her service, we announce the retirement of Louann Flaherty as our church organist. Louann has served us faithfully for 13 years, as the organist and participating with the Praise Team. Her gifts of music have been very much appreciated.

## **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

### 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!



#### 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**

It is our pleasure to acknowledge the receipt of \$500.00 to The Theological Education Fund of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) Your generosity helps to safeguard those whom God and the church call as our next generation of ministers.

Thank you for supporting future ministers of Christ's Church.

Rev. Dr. Lee Hinson-Hasty

Sr. Director, Theological Education Fund

Eye of the Needle Family Services distributed the hygiene kits with [other back to school items.] Our partnership [with First Presbyterian] encourages others to do more in the community.

-Pat King, Eye of the Needle Director

These kits contained the donated hygiene items and were packed after church on July 23.

### **ThreeHouse Block Party**

5:00-7:00 pm, Sunday, Aug. 27

2422 College Street, Cedar Falls

You are welcome to attend! Donations are **NOT** needed. Everything is provided.

ThreeHouse Collaborative Campus Ministries, located just across from the UNI campus, will be celebrating the opening week of classes with an outdoor Block Party.

The block of twenty-fifth street at their address will be closed for the party- so drop in to enjoy some live music, light supper, check out the building, meet new students and meet members from other congregations partnering with ThreeHouse.