



February 21, 2024

10:00 am Sunday Worship Firstprescf.org





# February 25 – Second Sunday of Lent "Who Is Your Savior?"

Scripture: Luke 15:1-15

# Who is your Savior?

To claim Jesus Christ as savior is one way we express trust in the gracious mercy of God. Salvation is God's loving and gracious act of forgiving our sin and restoring our relationships. Jesus Christ's death on the cross and resurrection from the dead established salvation for, and reconciliation with, the world God loves (2 Corinthians 5).

Jesus Christ as Savior is the provider of God's grace and forgiveness for all. We owe everything to the grace of God! Out of the great love God has for us, we are saved by grace. By grace we have been saved through faith, and this is not by our own efforts. We receive all God has done in Christ by faith. God's saving love is a gift of grace!

Salvation in general terms denotes deliverance from danger or even the healing of a disease. For Christians, salvation describes the act of grace accomplished for us through the birth, life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ. Some say that the Presbyterian answer to the question, "When were you saved?" is "About two thousand years ago." Because of Christ, we have been reconciled to God, forgiven of our sins, and freed to work for peace and justice in the world.

Check out the Session Five Video Here.

# **Church Birthdays**

Feb. 21-Jan Reimer, 27-Dot Clausen, Addison Wells, 28-Walt Stephenson

#### In the Narthex...

Spring quarter copies of These Days devotionals are available.

## **Worship Reminder**

Recordings of Sunday's worship services can be viewed on CFU cable channel 18, 6:00 pm every Thursday!

#### Notice...

Wednesdays 2/21-3/20 Noon-1:00 pm Quiet Reflection/Stations of the Cross, sanctuary

Monday, April 15
DEADLINE for Dorothy
Horn and First Presbyterian Scholarships. See page 2.

# Sign up anytime online:

Worship Leader Sign Up: Sign Up: Worship Leaders
Or sign up in the narthex!

# Thanks for serving last week:

Ash Wednesday

Reader: Connie Herbon

Computer Operator: Dave Luck Videographer: Neal Leeper

Communion Preparer: Lynette Cline

Souperbowl Food Packing: Sue & Dave Luck

Paraments: Dave & Sue Luck
Lenten Decorations: Jane Seeley

Sunday Worship

Worship Leader: Kevin Thedens Computer Operator: Dave Luck Videographer: Neal Leeper

# **Souperbowl Thank You**

Our Souperbowl of Caring Noisy Offering totaled \$128.28! Thank to all of you who donated.

#### **Thank You**

Thank you to First Presbyterian Church for the Adopt-a-Family Christmas gifts. (Photos are posted in the hallway.) Shari Hampton (McCall)

## **Refugee Settlement Project**

We are working through <u>Welcome Corps</u> to sponsor an refugee family in the Cedar Valley. We have set a goal of raising **\$12,125** to support a family of 4-5.

To help, please make a donation to our church with "Newcomer Support" in the memo line.
Contact Rhonda Braley with questions.

# Upcoming schedule

# Wednesday, February 21

Noon-1:00 pm Stations of the Cross, sanctuary
7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal, sanctuary

Sunday, February 25

10:00 am Worship, sanctuary

#### Wednesday, February 28

Noon-1:00 pm Stations of the Cross, sanctuary 6:30 pm Choir Rehearsal, sanctuary

# Lenten Reflection and Stations of the Cross

Every Wednesday through March 20, the sanctuary will be open from noon to 1:00 pm for quiet reflection and walking the stations of the cross. Drop in and take a few moments to contemplate what God is showing you through this Lenten season.

#### Easter Egg Help!

The CYF Ministry Committee is graciously asking for egg-filling donations. These could be small treats, candies, or non-food items, as long as they fit into an Easter egg! Please drop off donation in the library by Wednesday, March 6!

Anyone who wishes to help FILL the eggs will can help before or after the *March 6* Lenten meal in the library. It is simple and many hands make light work. Thank You!



The three programs supported by One Great Hour of Sharing - Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, the Presbyterian Hunger Program, and Self-Development of People - all work in different ways to serve individuals and communities in need. From initial disaster response to ongoing community development, their work fits together to provide people with safety, sustenance, and hope. Checks may be made payable to the church with "One Great Hour" on the memo.

## **Scholarship Opportunities**

The *Dorothy Horn Scholarship* provides financial assistance to women from Presbyterian churches who attend the University of Northern Iowa. Dorothy Horn attended the University of Northern Iowa and her estate established this scholarship endowment, which is administered by First Presbyterian Church in Cedar Falls.

The *First Presbyterian Church Scholarship* provides financial assistance to students seeking post-high school educational opportunities. This fund is financially supported by the Donna & Greg Hickman Trust. Applicants must have a direct connection to First Presbyterian Church of Cedar Falls to qualify.

Those interested in more information or an application packet for these scholarships should contact First Presbyterian Church in Cedar Falls. Applications can be requested by calling 319-277-3930 or by email: <a href="mailto:office@firstprescf.org">office@firstprescf.org</a>. All applications must be returned by Friday, <a href="mailto:April 15">April 15</a>, 2024