FIRST PRESBYTERIAN

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May 14, 2025

10:00 am
Sunday Worship
Firstprescf.org



EASTERTIDE 2025 SERIES

Emerge:

A Metamorphosis Moment

Week 4 – Sunday, May 18 @10:00am

"Unwrap: Waking Up"

The wheel of the year keeps on turning. Summer fades into fall, winter melts into spring, and nature sings a never-ending story of life, death, and renewal. Butterflies show us how to unwrap the gift of everyday life when they break forth from their chrysalises as new creations. We celebrate the effort that breaking into new life takes as we awaken to the rich blessings of this present day.

In the opening of the tomb of Lazarus, in the unwrapping of his funeral clothes, the community had to face their unknowing — and perhaps disbelief — and trust that the resurrection Jesus had facilitated was real. The range of emotions was vast. As the butterfly's cozy environment cracks further open still, it is the effort of the process of emerging that makes change possible — waking up, rolling away the stone, unwrapping what will be.

Prayer:

Holy One, we cry out to you from the parts of our lives that feel numb, stale, and dormant. We long to be resurrected from the deaths of our spirit, to reawaken as newly formed creatures in your kin-dom on earth. Help us to heed your call to "Come out!" of our lifeless shells and cast off the bindings that keep us from breathing free. May we be a community of second chances and fresh starts each and every day.

Church Birthdays

May 20-Collin Braley, 22-Marlys Folkers, 23-Ryder Connolly, 25-Mitch Weinberg, Atlas Braley

For Your Prayers

Gary Clark's mother

Jean Boller's parents

Donna Henn, whose roommate died Sunday, May 4.

Notice…

Women's Social, tomorrow, May 15 at 1:00 pm, Panera in CF. See page 3.

Church Campers! See page 2 for information. Contact Patti Humpal if you plan to sign up.

Worship on CFU Cable

Recordings of Sunday's worship service are on CFU cable channel 18, 6:00 pm every Thursday

Sign up anytime online:

Worship Leader Sign Up:

Sign Up: Worship Leaders

Or sign up in the narthex!

Thanks for serving last week:

Videographer: Kevin Thedens

Computer Operator: Steve Moon

Lawn Mowing: 5/11– Muchie Dzika

Lawn Mowing 5/18– Brad Jensen

Outdoor flowers: Jim & Jane Seeley

Recycling: Rob & Lynette Cline

Upcoming schedule

Wednesday, May 14

3:00 pm Sarah Circle, classroom

Thursday, May 15

1:00 pm Women's Gathering, Panera-CF

Friday, May 16

1:00 pm CVJC Steering Cte, library

Sunday, May 18

10:00 am Worship, sanctuary

Monday, May 19

2:00 pm Juneteenth Meal Planning, library

6:30 pm Worship Team, Zoom

Wednesday, May 21

6:00 pm Session Meeting, library

Women's Gathering



Esther Circle invites all women of the church to meet tomorrow, Thursday, May 15, 1:00 pm at Panera Bread, 6403 University Ave, Cedar Falls, for a time of fellowship together.

Thank You

Jane and I wish to thank you all for your thoughts and prayers during my resent surgery. While we dealt with complications, the surgery was successful. The tumor was removed and I am cancer free. Thank you all for being there for us.

Sincerely,
Jim and Jane Seeley

ATTENTION CHURCH CAMPERS!!



Now is the time to sign up for camp.

Contact Patti Humpal if you plan to sign up.

Go to Lakeshore Center's website to sign up: Camp Sign Up. Scroll down for the form link.

If campers **sign up by MONDAY, MAY 28** our church will pay 100% of your fee! After the 28th, the church pays 90% and the camper pays the other 10%. Lakeshore Center does have some camp scholarships available.

- When you sign up, look for the option on how you plan to pay. Choose the 'Church Pays' option.

Congratulations

Miles Braley received his Third Grade Bible on Sunday, May 4.



Changes to PCUSA Special Offerings

Current Four (4) Special Offerings will continue through 2025:

One Great Hour of Sharing
Peace and Global Witness Offering
Pentecost Offering
Christmas Joy Offering

40% of Pentecost offering is retained locally for children at risk, youth and young adults.

25% of Peace and Global Witness offering is retained locally; we've used it recently to support the family from Venezuela and attendance at the Martin Luther King, Jr. Banquet.

Beginning in 2026, there will only be three (3) Special Offerings.

One Great Hour of Sharing
~~Pentecost Offering~~ **discontinued**
~~Peace and Global Witness Offering~~ ——>World Communion Offering
Christmas Joy Offering