

October 1, 2021

## First Presbyterian Church

608 Nebraska Street, Sioux City, Iowa 51101



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## October Worship Service Info



**Sunday, Oct 3—19th Sunday after Pentecost**  
**Luke 14:16-24; A Kingdom for Everyone**

**Sunday, Oct 10—20th Sunday after Pentecost**  
**Luke 13:18-21; Kingdom of Seeds**

**Sunday, Oct 17—21st Sunday after Pentecost**  
**Matthew 13:44-45; The Priceless Kingdom**

**Sunday, Oct 24— 22nd Sunday after Pentecost**  
**Matthew 20:1-16; The Generous Kingdom**

**Sunday, Oct 31— 23rd Sunday after Pentecost**  
**Matthew 25:31-40; Kingdom of Service**

## First Presbyterian Church



*This is our mission:  
to shine the light  
of Christ's love —  
through our life together,  
with our gifts,  
and in our daily lives —  
from the heart of Sioux City,  
for the sake of God's kingdom  
in the world.*

608 Nebraska Street, Sioux City, Iowa 51101

Office Hours: Mon-Thurs 8:30 am– 4:30 pm, Fri 9 am-Noon  
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Be sure to check our new Facebook page:  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/902340006496216/>.

### Church Staff:

Pastor.....Mark Bedford  
Music Director & Organist..... Mary Kay Benton  
Adult Choir Director.....Rachael Wragge  
Hand Bell Director.....Anne Cowley  
Children's Music Director.....Rachael Wragge  
Sound Sexton.....Dylan Baier  
Sunday School Director.....Heather Rubel  
Office Admin/Finance Mgr.....Karen Heinemann  
Cook Coordinator.....Adam Strong  
Custodians.....Rick Heinemann & Donna Uhl  
Childcare.....Emma Shoulders-Gomez, Kaitlyn Skatges & Kelsi Skatges

### Deadline Dates for Publications

**Weekly Worship Bulletin - each Tuesday at Noon.**

**Newsletter - one week prior to publication**

(goal is to publish one day prior to the last work day of the month, so the deadline is one week prior to that.)

... included on the monthly calendar, but please call the office if you are uncertain.

**Information received after deadline** will be held for the next publication if still applicable.

**Thank you all** for your consideration; we appreciate your efforts to respect these deadlines, making it easier for us to complete our work timely and efficiently.

**The Light, our church newsletter,  
is your monthly publication of  
need-to-know information and events.**

It is available on-line at  
([www.1stpresby.com](http://www.1stpresby.com))

And by mail.

**To add your name to the mailing list,**  
please call the church office

712-255-8919

or email

[finance@1stpresby.com](mailto:finance@1stpresby.com)

Or you can subscribe on the new website!

**Got news?** ...births, weddings, graduations,  
awards, job promotions,  
or other news you'd like to share?



Send it to:  
[finance@1stpresby.com](mailto:finance@1stpresby.com).  
We'll be glad to share it for you.

### Have you moved?

New... Street address?

....Email address?

....Phone number?

God knows where you are,  
but we don't know unless you tell us.

If you have new contact information,  
please let us know

so we can update our records —

Please contact the Church Office  
at 712-255-8919 or e-mail us at  
[finance@1stpresby.com](mailto:finance@1stpresby.com).

Thanks so much.

Friends,

Many of you must be better at math and finances than I am. It would be difficult for you to be worse! But as a pastor, even I can recognize how useful numbers, budgets, charts and graphs can be. They help us all understand the money that comes into our church and how it is spent. But numbers rarely inspire, and graphs often fail to leave us breathless.

*They are to do good, to be rich in good works, generous, and ready to share, thus storing up for themselves the treasure of a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of the life that really is life.*

1 Timothy 6:18-19

That's why, during our worship services through the month of October, I'll be inviting people to speak with us, not about columns on a spreadsheet, but about their own very real experiences of everything our church does. For example, in 2021 about one third of our budgetary pie has gone toward our building and grounds. That's impressive, but what does that MEAN to us? It means that we have a beautiful, safe, comfortable sanctuary that's cool in the summer and warm in the winter. It means that Shepherd's Garden can be a lush, green retreat in the middle of downtown. It means that this corner of 6<sup>th</sup> and Nebraska can continue to be a focus for our spiritual lives and a beacon of God's glory for everyone who passes by.

*Give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap; for the measure you give will be the measure you get back.*

Luke 6:38

As you consider your pledge for 2022, I invite you to think less about numbers and more about experiences. Has a sermon taken Biblical scriptures and brought them to life for you? Has a choral anthem or a bell choir offertory stirred your soul? As you took part in one of our mission programs, have you felt God working through you? Have your kids or grandkids told you something they learned in Sunday School? Have you gotten caught up with old friends around a table of good food? These are all parts of our life as a church family. Yes, all of them cost money. But all of them offer so much more to us.

*Put me to the test, says the LORD of hosts; see if I will not open the windows of heaven for you and pour down for you an overflowing blessing.*

from Malachi 3:10

You'll find a pledge form in this newsletter. Please prayerfully consider how you can support everything this church does for you and for everyone who is a part of the life of our church. And please return your pledge forms by Sunday, October 31<sup>st</sup>. Thank you, and may God bless you.

In Christ,  
Pastor Mark

**2022 Pledge form**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

**MY COMMITMENT TO MY CHURCH**

Per week \_\_\_\_\_

Per month \_\_\_\_\_

Per Quarter \_\_\_\_\_

Per Year \_\_\_\_\_

One time donation \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Per capita dues are annual. The per capita amount for 2021 is \$42.48. The amount for 2022 has yet to be determined. Please watch for the amount in the newsletter. If you have not paid your per capita for 2021, please make your payment.

INCOME AND CHURCH SUPPORT								
The table printed below is intended to aid you in estimating your weekly gifts to the church, based on the incomes listed in the first column. Tithing (10%) has been the traditional standard of giving in the church.								
Weekly Income	Weekly Tithe (10%)	5%	7%	9%	11%	13%	15%	20%
50	5.00	2.50	3.50	4.50	5.50	6.50	7.50	10.00
100	10.00	5.00	7.00	9.00	11.00	13.00	15.00	20.00
200	20.00	10.00	14.00	18.00	22.00	26.00	30.00	40.00
300	30.00	15.00	21.00	27.00	33.00	39.00	45.00	60.00
400	40.00	20.00	28.00	36.00	44.00	52.00	60.00	80.00
500	50.00	25.00	35.00	45.00	55.00	65.00	75.00	100.00
750	75.00	37.50	52.50	67.50	82.50	97.50	112.50	150.00
1000	100.00	50.00	70.00	90.00	110.00	130.00	150.00	200.00
1500	150.00	75.00	105.00	135.00	165.00	195.00	225.00	300.00
2000	200.00	100.00	140.00	180.00	220.00	260.00	300.00	400.00
3000	300.00	150.00	210.00	270.00	330.00	390.00	450.00	600.00
5000	500.00	250.00	350.00	450.00	550.00	650.00	750.00	1000.00

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**STEWARDSHIP**

## *Mary's Music Notes—*



It is so good to have our choir and handbells and youth back sharing in worship!!!

Reminder are all invited to join in.....

Wednesdays: 6-7 Handbell Practice

7-8 Choir Practice

Meals have started at 5:30 and if childcare is needed, please ask and it can be arranged.

Looking ahead.....

Oct. 3 Choir

Oct. 10 Youth

Oct. 17 Handbells

Oct. 24 Choir

Oct. 31 Choir

***Mary Benton, Director of Music***

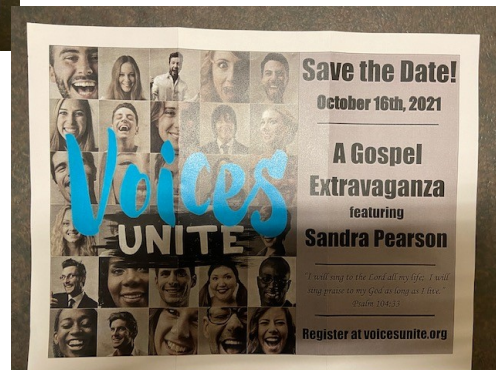


### **Previous Months Worship Attendance Report**

Sept 5	61 in sanctuary
Sept 12	64 in sanctuary
Sept 19	86 in sanctuary
Sept 26	66 in sanctuary



Upcoming concerts here in Sioux City. Check out the local singers. The All-American Concert is free!





## Income & Disbursement Summary Through July 31, 2021

***Please be  
sure and  
pay your  
Per Capita  
this year.***

**2021  
Per Capita  
amount  
is \$42.48**

### **Income**

All pledges, non-pledges & loose collection	\$ 239,178.32
Other operating income	\$ 9,909.16
Restricted donations	\$ 12,123.18
Per Capita	\$ 2,151.32
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$ 263,361.98</b>

### **Disbursements**

Mission	\$ 20,660.44
Ministry*	\$ 35,616.88
Music	\$ 3,137.33
Christian Discipleship	\$ 763.79
Building & Grounds	\$ 74,802.79
Office and Admin	\$ 9,507.50
Assessment	\$ 10,252.48
Other**	\$ 32,378.98
Personnel Payroll	\$ 93,968.31
<b>Total Disbursements</b>	<b>\$ 281,088.50</b>

<b>Gain or Loss</b>	<b>\$ ( 17,726.52)</b>
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\* 'Ministry' includes: Pastors salary, worship, outreach, deacon and member care expenses.

\*\* 'Other' includes: Payroll taxes, health insurance, pension and workers compensation insurance.

**Jonathan James Asher Baptism 9/19/21**



### **Wednesday night menus**

**October 6— Tater Tot casserole, spinach salad**

**October 13— Breakfast for dinner**

**October 20— Chili & Cinnamon Rolls**

**October 27— Spaghetti & Meatballs, salad & garlic bread**



Call and sign up today!



## LUNCH & LEARN

### “HOW TO GET IT, HOW TO KEEP IT”

Learn About Financial Planning & Estate Planning  
as experts cover these important topics:  
Retirement Planning | Charitable Giving | Having a Will or Trust

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**12 PM to 1 PM**  
**TUESDAY, OCTOBER 26**  
**SECURITY NATIONAL BANK, 3RD FLOOR**

To reserve your seat, please call  
Karen Heinemann at **(712) 255-8919** before October, 14

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## October birthdays

2nd - Damon Baier	17th - Easton Boettcher
5th - Nola Rubel	18th - Jeff Stanley
6th - Sarah Benton	21st - Andrea Rohlena
9th - Sya Lynn Bates	23rd - Kim Stanley
10th - Caroline Steill	24th - Sarah Steill
12th - Ellen Jacobi	29th - Peter Macfarlane
15h - Carl Rarick	30th - Joyce Strasser



*Pssst!*

*If we do not have your birthday or anniversary information... please call or send it to Karen in the church office at 712-255-8919 or [finance@1stpresby.com](mailto:finance@1stpresby.com).*

## October anniversaries

- 2nd - Tim & Amy Hynds
- 2nd - Chris & Mandy Ellis
- 10th - Ben & Brandi Erickson
- 17th - Craig & Barb Davis



**COLD WEATHER IS NEAR!**

(Same for the women's unit)



The Sioux City Residential Facility North houses men transitioning out of prison who have limited options for support or other parole plans. The goal of the facility is to assist residents in getting established with their treatment programs, employment in the community and opportunities to attend service events or other support groups in hopes of building a positive support network. Several of these residents have little to no family support and are in need of basic items to get established with work until they are able to secure consistent income. With winter approaching, there is always a need for winter coats, thicker gloves and stocking hats. Our residents often do not have valid driver's licenses and are walking to work locations or public transportation stops in the early morning hours. Anything people are able to give to help with this need and supporting the goal of safely reiterating this population back into our communities is appreciated.



**Attention Knitters & Crocheters!**

Member Care is looking for people to share their talent by knitting prayer shawls. We are giving them to those who could find comfort in feeling surrounded by the warmth of our congregation and God's love.

Instructions for making the shawls can be picked up from the church office and completed shawls may be returned there as well. With many thanks and blessings.

Thanks! Kathy



## Youth Chatter

Sunday school classes are being held at 9:30 weekly on Sunday mornings in upstairs classrooms.

There is currently a K -4 class and a 5 - 8 class.

If you have high school students we encourage them to attend the adult bible study with Pastor Mark on Sunday morning in the upstairs classroom.

More information on youth volunteer projects and gatherings will be announced as they become available. If you want to volunteer or coordinate events for our older youth, please let me know.

Thank you.

Heather Rubel -Director of Christian Education

**Congratulations to Nola Rubel of our congregation! Nola is the daughter of Eric & Heather Rubel. Nola at her first central zone meet for age group swim qualified for 7 swims with the limit to swim at 6. Out of her six swims she medaled in 5. Her top place was a 2nd place silver medal in the 100 breast stroke.**



**Coffee Fellowship Hosts:***Deacons***Wednesday Night Meal****Hosts:***Deacons***Bible Carriers:**

Oct 3: Emmett Rohlena

Oct 10: Aidan Hunt

Oct 17: Nicholas Hynds

Oct 24: Aidan Hunt

Oct 31: Pierce Rubel

**Lectors:**

Oct 3: Chris Hunt

Oct 10: Anne Cowley

Oct 17: Randy Benton

Oct 24: Paul Johnson

Oct 31: Michael Rohlena

**Tellers:**

Oct 4: Carol Smith &amp; Ellen Jacobi

Oct 12: Brenda Bradley &amp; Suzan Stewart

Oct 18: Vicki Jacobs &amp; Kathy Zebert

Oct 25: Ellen Jacobi &amp; Jeff Stanley

**Acolytes:**

Oct 3: Hazel &amp; Harper Rohlena

Oct 10: Sya Bates

Oct 17: Nathan Hynds

Oct 24: Harper Rohlena

Oct 31: Nola Rubel

**Greeter/Usher:**

Oct 3: Vicki Ackerman, Robert, Roxanne &amp; Isabele Raveling

Oct 10: Terri Askelson, Juliana Mayne, Kevin &amp; Dacia Bates

Oct 17: Bill Brinck, Chris, Mandy &amp; Keaton Ellis

Oct 24: Michael &amp; Andrea Rohlena &amp; family

Oct 31: Bob &amp; Pat Anderson, Marti Calhoun &amp; Neva Pierce

In case of an emergency in the First Presbyterian Family please contact the church office. If after hours please contact Karen at 712-251-2589 and she will notify Pastor Mark.

**Volunteers** — If you are unavailable on your scheduled date, please arrange for a substitute and advise the office.  
Thank you for your assistance and consideration.

## First Presbyterian Church

Sioux City, Iowa



2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>Notes:</b> *Your office staff will be at work Monday thru Thursday 9:00 am to 4:30 pm *Office closes each Friday at Noon. * Childcare offered during Sunday worship & Wednesday evenings					1	2
<b>3</b> 9:30 Bible Study 9:30 Choir 9:30 Sunday School 10:00 Coffee 10:30 Worship	<b>4</b> 5:30 Bldg. & Grounds	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b> 5:30 Meal 6:15 Bible Study 6:00 Handbells 7:00 Choir	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b> 10:00 Genealogy
<b>10</b> 9:30 Bible Study 9:30 Sunday School 10:00 Coffee 10:30 Worship 11:30 Mission 2:00 SC Chamber Music Concert	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b> 12:00 Member Care	<b>13</b> 5:30 Personnel 5:30 Meal 6:15 Bible Study 6:00 Handbells 7:00 Choir	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>
<b>17</b> 9:30 Bible Study 9:30 Handbells 9:30 Sunday School 10:00 Coffee 10:30 Worship 11:30 Christian Discipleship	<b>18</b> 12:15 Admin/Fin	<b>19</b> 7:00 Session	<b>20</b> 5:30 Meal 6:15 Bible Study 6:00 Handbells 7:00 Choir	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b> Newsletter Deadline  Karen Out	<b>23</b>
<b>24 &amp; 31</b> 9:30 Bible Study 9:30 Choir 9:30 Sunday School 10:00 Coffee 10:30 Worship 11:30 Deacons—24th  Northrup/Asher wedding on 31st	<b>25</b> 5:00 All Staff mtg. 5:30 Music & Worship  Rick & Karen out	<b>26</b> Print Newsletter	<b>27</b> 5:30 Meal 6:15 Bible Study 6:00 Handbells 7:00 Choir	<b>28</b> 4:00 Memorial 7:00 SC Chamber Music  Karen Out	<b>29</b> Karen Out	<b>30</b>



***Welcome to First Presbyterian Church.  
We hope you'll join us for worship  
every Sunday morning at 10:30 a.m.***