

August 1, 2023

First Presbyterian Church

608 Nebraska Street, Sioux City, Iowa 51101



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August Worship Service Info



Sunday, Aug 6—10th Sunday after Pentecost
Joint outdoor service at Chris Larson Park

Sunday, Aug 13—11th Sunday after Pentecost
Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43; Wheat & Weeds
Sunday, Aug 20—12th Sunday after Pentecost
Matthew 10:26-44; Sparrows

Sunday, Aug 27—13th Sunday after Pentecost
Matthew 16:24-28; Crosses

Friends,

Peter and Andrew, James and John, etc, etc. Many of us learned the names of the Twelve Apostles in Sunday School. We've even heard some of their stories from the New Testament. But have we heard about ALL of the apostles?

Greet Prisca and Aquila, who work with me in Christ Jesus, and who risked their necks for my life, to whom not only I give thanks, but also all the churches of the Gentiles ... Greet my beloved Epaphroditus, who was the first convert in Asia for Christ. Greet Mary, who has worked very hard among you.

Almost all of the apostle Paul's letters in the New Testament include greetings to and from other apostles. I've included verses from Romans 16, which contains the longest list of the people Paul worked with to spread the gospel of Jesus Christ. A lot of these ancient Greek and Roman names can be difficult to wrap our tongues around! Paul names men and women, Jews and Gentiles, individuals and entire families. Paul praises them for their courage, their hard work, and their generosity for the early church. Some had even done time in prison with Paul!

Greet Andronicus and Junia, my relatives who were in prison with me; they are prominent among the apostles, and they were in Christ before I was. Greet Ampliatus, my beloved in the Lord. Greet Urbanus, our co-worker in Christ, and my beloved Stachys. Greet Apelles, who is approved in Christ. Greet those who belong to the family of Aristobulus. Greet my relative Herodion. Greet those in the Lord who belong to the family of Narcissus.

While expressing his gratitude, Paul was also knitting together a vast tapestry of Christians all over the Roman Empire. To other early Christians, these names represented hospitality when they traveled, rest when they were weary, and solidarity when they were in danger. This was Paul's family tree of the early church, meant to help early Christians embrace and support one another.

Greet those workers in the Lord, Tryphaena and Tryphosa. Greet the beloved Persis, who has worked hard in the Lord. Greet Rufus, chosen in the Lord; and greet his mother—a mother to me also. Greet Asyncritus, Phlegon, Hermes, Patrobas, Hermas, and the brothers and sisters who are with them. Greet Philologus, Julia, Nereus and his sister, and Olympas, and all the saints who are with them.

Our various summer schedules often disrupt our faithful habits of participating in the life of our church. If there's someone you haven't seen in church recently, please give them a call or send them a card. Remind them that we're thinking of them because they are the apostles we've shared worship and mission with. They are our brothers and sisters in Christ. Greet them and make sure they know that, even when we are apart, we are still woven together into one great tapestry.

Greet one another with a holy kiss. All the churches of Christ greet you.

In Christ,
Pastor Mark

Mary's Music Notes—

Looking ahead.....



August 6 Joint Worship at the Park

August 13 John Mayne - cello; Stephen Schnetzer

August 20 Katriana Pottebaum - vocal

August 27 Siouxland Discovery Chorus

September 3 Barb Davis - vocal

September 10 Fall programming starts up and the Choir will be sharing

September 17 Handbell Choir

Handbell and Choir rehearsals will start up again on August 30.

6 Handbells

6:45 Ice Cream Social - just on the opening night to welcome everyone back

7:15 Choir (usually 7 on regular nights)

Questions, please feel to ask:

Rachael Wragge - choir director

Anne Cowley - handbell director

Mary Kay Benton - organist/Director of Music

Mary Benton, Director of Music



Please consider picking a Sunday or two to buy our chancel flowers. You are welcome to bring them, have Karen order them, or you can order them.

You are able to keep them, send them to one of our shut-ins, or leave them for the office.

We do ask that you return the vases to the church to minimize the cost of our flowers.

Interested? Call Mandy Ellis 712-203-1280.

Income & Disbursement Summary Through June 30, 2023

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

**2023
Per Capita
amount
is \$48.46**

Income

All pledges, non-pledges & loose collection	\$ 160,356.32
Other operating income	\$ 8,562.50
Restricted donations	\$ 1,455.00
Per Capita	\$ 1,064.63
Total Income	\$ 186,022.57

Disbursements

Mission	\$ 11,329.63
Ministry*	\$ 62,388.69
Music ***	\$ 30,981.37
Christian Discipleship	\$ 145.83
Building & Grounds	\$ 55,024.31
Office and Admin	\$ 9,731.60
Assessment	\$ 8,799.66
Other**	\$ 15,767.97
Personnel Payroll	\$ 63,355.40
Total Disbursements	\$ 257,524.46
	<u>\$ (86,086.01)</u>

Gain or Loss

* 'Ministry' includes: Pastors salary, worship, outreach, deacon and member care expenses.

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

*** Organ repairs included



Previous Months Worship Attendance Report

July 2	62 in sanctuary
July 9	62 in sanctuary
July 16	59 in sanctuary
July 23	48 in sanctuary

PASTOR MARK'S OFFICE HOURS. Pastor Mark will be in his office Monday through Thursday from 9 to noon and from 1 to 5 whenever possible. Fridays are his day off. Or just make an appointment by calling the church office at 712-255-8919 or emailing him at pastor@1stpresby.com.

Men, you are invited to our **MEN'S BREAKFAST** at 9:00 on Saturday, August 12th. We'll meet at the Brightside Café at 4th and Nebraska in downtown Sioux City. Parking is free on weekends.

Do you love music? Would you like to take a more active role in our worship services? **JOIN OUR CHOIR OR HANDBELL CHOIR!** Both groups begin practicing on Wednesday evening, August 30th. The Handbell Choir will start at 6:00 and the Choir will start at 7:00. There will be an ice cream social at

The Lunch Bunch

First Church Lunch bunch will meet at Marto Brewing Co after church on August 13. Please let Anne Cowley (712-204-5182 or AMusicWest@aol.com) know if you are planning to join us.

August birthdays



August anniversaries

2nd - Annika Johnson
 2nd - Carol Smith
 5th - Amy Denney
 6th - Cruz Bradley
 6th - Owen Mozak
 6th - Galen Gunnink
 7th - Luke Benton
 8th - Ben Erickson
 9th - Brenda Bradley
 10th - Carol Beaumont
 11th - Gary Smith

16th - Jeff Rarick
 17th - Duane Behrens
 21st - Della Nicolaisen
 24th - Lona Hood
 24th - Patty Rarick
 26th - Suzan Stewart
 27th - Tiffany Hunt
 29th - Samantha Sonier
 29th - Scott McCormick
 30th - Kim McCormick
 30th - Sandy Bainbridge
 30th - Enoch Graitm

14th - Ryan & Amy Denney
 19th - Ron & Robbie Rohlena
 24th - Tim & Sabrina Stodden
 25th - Steve & Brenda Bradley
 31st - Paul & Patrice Johnson

12th - Katherine Christensen



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.*

Please share with our congregation how successful our efforts were to extend hospitality to two cycling teams, participants in Ragbrai this year.

One of the groups that stayed at FPC is called "Ends of the Earth". They are a cycling ministry group! Their groups purpose is to use cycling to bring the hope of the Gospel to global youth through multi-day, Christ-centered bicycling tours.

Their motto is: Pray. Pedal. Repeat.

This group graciously gifted First Presbyterian Church with this Ragbrai inspired tee.



WOW! I am so humbled. Thank you to all for the beautiful flowers, the calls, the texts, the get well wishes! I'm sure that it helped my healing process. I tell everyone I meet how much I love my job and my First Presbyterian Church family. I am so Blessed. Thank you all again!

Karen

Custodian – Full Time
First Presbyterian Church
Sioux City, Iowa
Position Description

Title: Custodian – full-time

Purpose: Responsible for custodial duties in preparing for worship services, meetings, classes; general oversight of buildings and grounds' neatness and cleanliness.

Reports to: Buildings & Grounds Committee of the session, working under the supervision of the Pastor.

Responsibilities:

Assume responsibility for cleaning worship areas, classrooms, halls, bathrooms, kitchens, and meeting rooms of the church facility.

Set up rooms for meetings as required.

Responsible for with the oversight of minor plumbing, wiring, carpentry, painting, either to undertake on self or bring need to the attention of supervisor.

Open and close the church on Sunday morning; handle whatever is necessary in the way of janitorial duties during that time.

Care for lawns, shrubbery, parking lots; see that they are well maintained and clean.

Responsible for sidewalk shoveling and ice removal to maintain safety of walks up to two inches. Snow removal company anything over two inches.

Assume responsibility for special worship services (Christmas Eve, Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, etc.), or funerals at the church, when required.

Open and close the church when there are weddings or receptions; assist wherever there is need for a custodian.

Manage the schedule of preventative maintenance needs for the church in conjunction with the buildings and grounds committee.

Oversee maintenance of the boiler with the building & grounds committee.

Responsible for meeting with contractors on special projects with building and grounds members.

Works 40 hours a week. (Friday – 4 hours, Sunday – 4 hours)

Qualifications:

- * Experience with general janitorial tasks, including working with various cleaning agents
- * Self-starter who can work independently and require little supervision
- * Learns quickly and can apply new ideas to tasks at hand
- * Works and communicates well with others (especially with Building & Grounds)
- * Positively represents the church to its members, vendors, and guests
- * Has access to reliable transportation to/from the church
- * Can be flexible to meet the scheduling requirements of the church

Friends, please join us for a very special **OUTDOOR COMMUNION SERVICE** with our other local Presbyterian churches!

WHEN – 10:30 Sunday morning, August 6th.

WHERE – Chris Larsen Park on Larsen Park Road. The pavilion between Sergeant Floyd River Museum and the Lewis and Clark Interpretive Center.

SEATING – There are plenty of picnic tables available, but feel free to bring your own outdoor seating.

OFFERING – You can designate your gifts to your own congregation by filling out the memo line on a check, or by putting your gift in a marked envelope. Unmarked cash gifts or checks will go toward The Warming Shelter.

LUNCH – The service will be followed by a potluck lunch. The menu will be divided by congregation.

First Sioux City – entrees

Westminster – side dishes

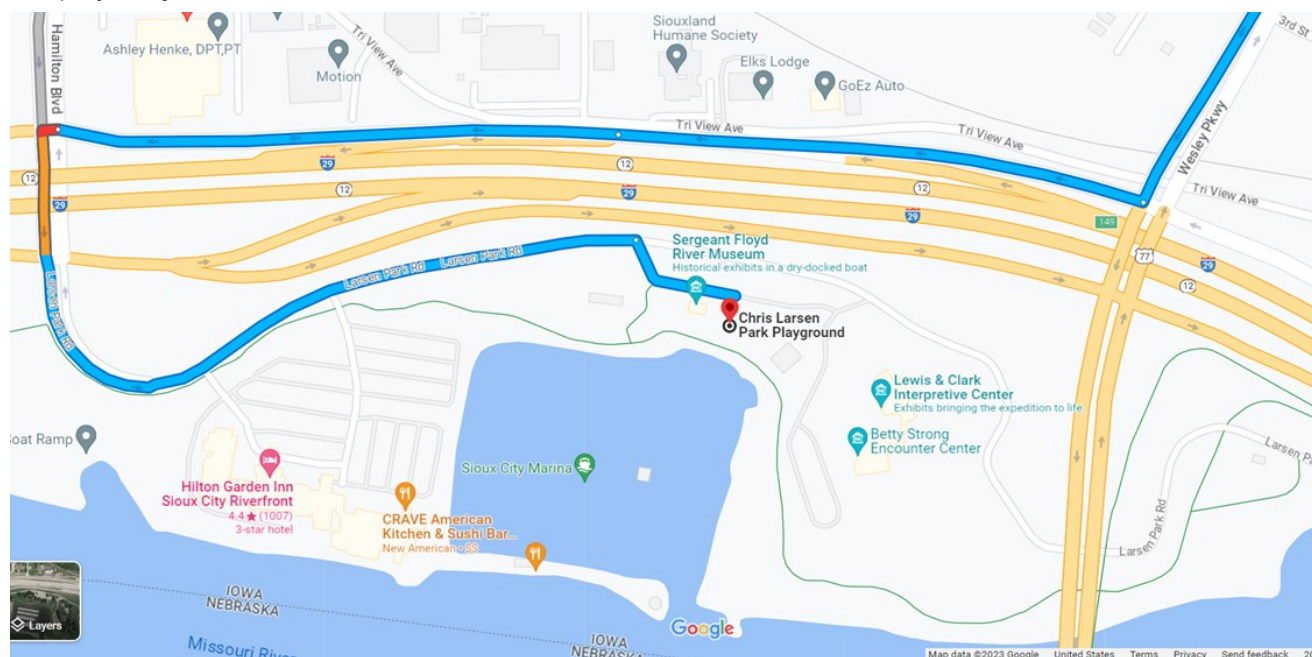
Faith United – vegetables and salads

First South Sioux – desserts

DRINKS – We're asking every church to provide a cooler of small bottles of water. There are soda machines in the park's restroom building.

ALTERNATE LOCATION - In case of severe weather or morning temperatures over 90 degrees, First Presbyterian Church of Sioux City will be our backup location.

We hope you'll join us!



Elders from Faith United and First South Sioux will be providing, preparing, and serving communion.

Faith United will provide a microphone and amplifier.

During the offering, gifts can be made out to individual churches in the memo line of a check, or on an envelope. Unmarked gifts of cash or checks will go to The Warming Shelter.

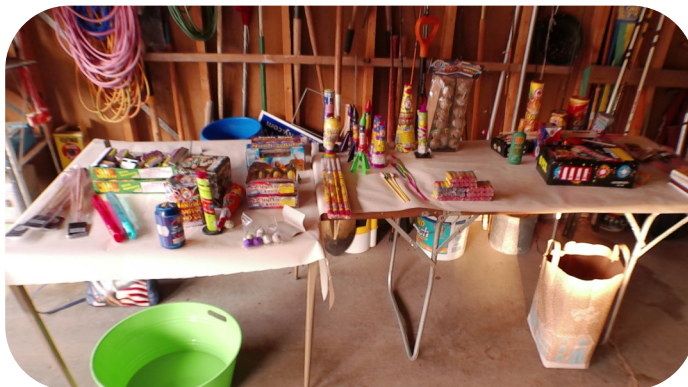
First South Sioux will provide at least 3 tables (1 for the altar and two for the potluck lunch).

First Sioux City will provide plates, tableware, and napkins.

First South Sioux will provide trash cans and bags and will take garbage out of the park at the end of the lunch.



**Summer fun First
Presbyterian family
style!**



**Wednesday Night Meal Hosts:***On Hiatus***Coffee Fellowship Hosts:***On Hiatus***Lectors:**

Aug 6: Barb Davis

Aug 13: Linda Williams

Aug 20: Michael Rohlena

Aug 27: Randy Benton

Tellers:

Aug 6: Brenda Bradley & Lance Eybers

Aug 13: Jeff Stanley & Vikki Jacobs

Aug 20: Kathy Zebert & Sarah Steill

Aug 27: Jeff Stanley & Kathy Zebert

Acolyte:

Aug 6: Hazel Rohlena

Aug 13: Sage Pierson

Aug 20: Emmett Rohlena

Aug 27: Harper Rohlena

Greeter/Usher:

Aug 6: Michael & Andrea Rohlena family

Aug 13: Bob & Pat Anderson, Butch & Mary Floyd

Aug 20: Steve & Brenda Bradley, Lowell & Judy Vos

Aug 27: Vicki Ackerman, Barb Davis, Neva Pierce & Kathleen Morfitt

In case of a pastoral emergency please contact Pastor Mark. His phone number after hours is 309-644-0794.

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



2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Notes: <i>*Your office staff will be at work Monday thru Thursday 9:00 am to 4:30 pm</i> <i>*Office closes each Friday at Noon.</i> <i>* Childcare offered during Sunday worship & Wednesday evenings</i>		1	2	3	5	6
6 10:00 Coffee 10:30 Worship 11:30 Member Care	7	8	9	10	11	12 9:00 Men's Breakfast @ Brightside Cafe
13 10:00 Coffee 10:30 Worship 11:30 Mission Bunch @ Marto's	14 5:30 Personnel 5:30 Bldg. & Grounds	15	16	17	18	19
20 10:00 Coffee 10:30 Worship	21 12:15 Admin/Fin	22 7:00 Session	23	24 4:30 Memorial	25 Newsletter Deadline	26
27 10:00 Coffee 10:30 Worship 11:30 Deacons	28 5:00 Staff 5:30 Music & Worship	29 Print Newsletter	30 6:00 Handbells 7:00 Choir Ice Cream social for music start up	31		

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

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Office Administrator finance@1stpresby.com

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.....Sarah Brown
Office Admin/Finance Mgr.....Karen Heinemann
Custodians.....Rick Heinemann
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)

And by mail.

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

712-255-8919

or email

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.
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.

Thanks so much.



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