

## FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Schaller, Iowa  
August 1, 2021

10:00 A. M.

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Rev. Michael Sydnor

**PRELUDE**

Janice Ploeger, Organist

**CANDLELIGHTING**

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Elder

**CALL TO WORSHIP:**

Elder

Elder: People of God, hope in the Lord,

People: for with the Lord there is steadfast love.<sup>1</sup>

Elder: Let us worship God.

**\*HYMN** "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"

#26

**INVOCATION** (Please be seated)

Pastor

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION (UNISON)**

Elder

The powers of evil surround and are within us. Too often, we cooperate with them by surrendering to the allure of money, fame, or power and yielding to the forces of greed, fear, and pride. Jesus came to bind these forces and to free us from them.

Forgive us for our willingness to be influenced by these powers and bind those forces once again that we might be freed. Then give us the willingness to serve you and one another as a sign of your coming kingdom. (Time of silent prayer) Amen.

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

Pastor

**\*GLORIA PATRI** #623

## SCRIPTURE LESSON

Old Testament: I Samuel 8:14-20, 11:14-15

Elder

He will take the best of your fields and vineyards and olive groves and give them to his attendants. He will take a tenth of your grain and of your vintage and give it to his officials and attendants. Your male and female servants and the best of your cattle and donkeys he will take for his own use. He will take a tenth of your flocks, and you yourselves will become his slaves. When that day comes, you will cry out for relief from the king you have chosen, but the Lord will not answer you in that day." But the people refused to listen to Samuel. "No!" they said. "We want a king over us. Then we will be like all the other nations, with a king to lead us and to go out before us and fight our battles." 14 Then Samuel said to the people, "Come on. Let's go to Gilgal. There we'll agree to have Saul as our king." 15 So all of the people went to Gilgal. There, with the Lord as witness, they agreed to have Saul as their king. There they sacrificed friendship offerings to the Lord. And there Saul and all of the people of Israel celebrated with great joy.

Leader:

The Word of the Lord:

People:

Thanks be to God.

**Gospel Lesson: Mark 3:20-35**

20 Then Jesus entered a house, and again a crowd gathered, so that he and his disciples were not even able to eat. 21 When his family heard about this, they went to take charge of him, for they said, "He is out of his mind." 22 And the teachers of the law who came down from Jerusalem said, "He is possessed by Beelzebul! By the prince of demons he is driving out demons." 23 So Jesus called

<sup>1</sup> Presbyterian Church. Book of Common Worship (p. 361).

them over to him and began to speak to them in parables: “How can Satan drive out Satan? 24 If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. 25 If a house is divided against itself, that house cannot stand. 26 And if Satan opposes himself and is divided, he cannot stand; his end has come. 27 In fact, no one can enter a strong man’s house without first tying him up. Then he can plunder the strong man’s house. 28 Truly I tell you, people can be forgiven all their sins and every slander they utter, 29 but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit will never be forgiven; they are guilty of an eternal sin.” 30 He said this because they were saying, “He has an impure spirit.” 31 Then Jesus’ mother and brothers arrived. Standing outside, they sent someone in to call him. 32 A crowd was sitting around him, and they told him, “Your mother and brothers are outside looking for you.” 33 “Who are my mother and my brothers?” he asked. 34 Then he looked at those seated in a circle around him and said, “Here are my mother and my brothers! 35 Whoever does God’s will is my brother and sister and mother.”

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

## CHILDRENS TIME

HYMN “God of Grace and God of Glory” #292

## SERMON

## \*APOSTLE’S CREED

## MINUTE FOR MISSION

## SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

Prayers of Intercession

Congregational Response #421 (Verse 1)

## PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

### OFFERTORY

\*DOXOLOGY #625

### \*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

HYMN “Here, O My Lord, I See Thee Face to Face” #325

### THE LORD’S SUPPER (SEE INSERT)

\*HYMN “Crown Him with Many Crowns” #234

### \*BENEDICTION

\*BENEDICTION SONG “Freely, Freely” (V. 1) #447

### \*POSTLUDE

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## 2021 PER CAPITA

2021 Per Capita amount is \$42.48. It is a very important way we can contribute to the operation and mission of the Presbyterian Church. Session encourages all members to contribute. Please mark your check “Per Capita”.

If you wish to mail a check, you can use the following address: First Presbyterian Church, P.O. Box 69, Schaller, Iowa 51053, or you can drop the check off at the State Bank of Schaller.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### August 2021

01	Sunday	Communion
	10:00 am	In-Person & Live Streaming Worship in Sanctuary (No Masks if fully vaccinated)
02-06	Monday-Friday	
	8:30 a.m.	Vacation Bible School Registration (on Monday, August 2 <sup>nd</sup> )
	9-11:30 a.m.	Vacation Bible School
05	Thursday	
	7:00 pm	Online Weekly Bible Devotional and Prayers
06	Friday	
	5:30 p.m.	Vacation Bible School Children's Program followed by a meal
08	Sunday	(Rev. Fells filling the Pulpit)
	10:00 am	In-Person & Live Streaming Worship in Sanctuary (No Masks if fully vaccinated)

**VBS DONATIONS:** Need juice for Vacation Bible School

### Knights of North Castle

Vacation Bible School will be August 2<sup>nd</sup> through the 6<sup>th</sup> from 9 a.m.-12 p.m. (8:30 a.m. on August 2<sup>nd</sup> for registration.) Those eligible to attend will include Kindergarten through 5<sup>th</sup> grade. Our mission project for the week is the Early Food Pantry. Kids are welcome to bring canned goods all week (please the expiration dates).

## *The Lord's Supper*

### The Invitation

**Minister:** Friends, this is the joyful feast of the people of God!

**People:** People will come from east and west and from north and south, and sit at the table in the Kingdom of God.

### The Thanksgiving

**Minister:** The Lord be with you.

**People:** And also with you.

**Minister:** Lift up your hearts.

**People:** We lift them to the Lord.

**Minister:** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**People:** It is right to give our thanks and praise.

### The Sanctus

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord,  
God of power and might,  
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.

### Unison Prayer

O God, who called us from death to life; we give ourselves to you; and with the church through all ages, we thank you for your saving love in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### The Lord's Prayer (Sins)

### Thanksgiving after the supper

God our help: we thank you for this supper shared in the spirit with your Son Jesus, who makes us new and strong. Who brings us life eternal. We thank you for giving us all good gifts in him, and pledge ourselves to serve you, even as in Christ you have served us. Amen.

## **NEW JOYS & CONCERNS**

The Roger Kenny Family  
Vacation Bible School

### **CONTINUING JOYS AND CONCERNS:**

Cathy & Michael Sydnor  
Kirk Langner  
Daniel Langner  
Laura Turnquist (heart checkup at Mayo)  
Rose Sackett  
Shari O'Bannon  
Pat Barlow  
Bruce Voogd (health) and his wife Eryn  
Jeff Jacobson  
Mary Haselhoff Volkert  
(Back in Iowa having Therapy in Clive from her stroke)  
Anna Hereen  
Ron Cork  
Thris Niemeier (Cancer no cure)  
Kristal Kast  
Brenda Segebart  
Rick Schill  
Andy Beckord

### **ANNIVERSARY WISHES:**

Bruce & Jackie Mentzer (Aug. 3<sup>rd</sup>)  
John & Brenna Franken (Aug. 13<sup>th</sup>)  
Jim & Missy Kestel (Aug. 29<sup>th</sup>)

### **BIRTHDAY WISHES:**

Stuart Claussen (Aug. 9<sup>th</sup>)  
Rev. Ken Fells (Aug. 11<sup>th</sup>)  
Shirley Claussen (Aug. 20<sup>th</sup>)  
Kallie Pyle (Aug. 27<sup>th</sup>)