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March 31, 2019

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Schaller, Iowa

## Coming Events

The church's website is [schallerpresby.com](http://schallerpresby.com)



**A Come N Go Bridal Shower** honoring Brooke Bailey Bride-elect of Tanner Barber will be held on Saturday, April 6<sup>th</sup> from 9-11 A.M. at the Presbyterian Church. 🌸

### SCHALLER ST. PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH

The youth of St. Paul Lutheran in Schaller, are excited to host an upcoming speaker. As you are fully aware, there are a lot of issues facing our youth today; one of those being eating disorders. Kristina Bonfe lived this battle and has a message to share. Please join us on Saturday, April 6 at 10 A.M. at St. Paul Lutheran Church. This is open to the public of all ages – FREE! If you have any questions, please call Lori Lyons at 712-275-4232.

### PRESBYTERY

Presbytery will be meeting on Saturday, April 6<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 A.M. at Cherokee. 🌸

### SESSION

Reminder Session will meet on Wednesday, April 17<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 P.M. 🌸



Miracle Quilters

Will be meeting on Thursday, April 4<sup>th</sup> at 1 P.M.

If anyone would like to donate material, old jeans, etc. or yarn to be used now or in the future, it would be appreciated. 🌸



### Honoring Our Graduating Senior

May 5<sup>th</sup> is our Senior Recognition Sunday for our graduating senior, Ashley

Kestel. This will be a Potluck (no dessert) dinner after church. Cake will be provided by Christian Growth. 🌸

I know not what the future holds, but I know Who holds the future.

### Christian Growth Nooze

Christian Growth will be meeting on Wednesday,



April 10<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 P.M. after Purple Gang to continue plans for VBS starting in the summer. If you would like to attend and hear what we have in store for the kids this summer, please join us.

Put the dates **June 17<sup>th</sup> -21<sup>st</sup>** on your calendar. All hands on deck for our spaceship going "To Mars and Beyond", our theme

this year. Volunteers will be recruited. Money for food and supplies can be placed in the church collection plate. Put notes on check or envelope for "VBS." 🌸



Rev. Michael will be on vacation from April 23<sup>rd</sup>-April 28<sup>th</sup>. Rev Fells will be filling the pulpit on April 28<sup>th</sup>. 🌸

## OUR CONGREGATION IN ACTION

### APRIL USHERS

04/07 – 04/14 Scott & Lorna Currie

04/21 – 04/28 Volunteers

### MAY USHERS

05/05 – 05/12 Mike & Mark McDonough

05/19 – 05/26 Phil & Sue Diersen

## Coffee Fellowship

### APRIL

07 Bruce & Jackie Mentzer

21 Easter

### MAY

05 Senior Recognition Sunday

12 Mother's Day

19 Graduation

26 Memorial Day Weekend

(If unable to serve, please exchange with someone).



**USHERS:** Ushers will serve 2 weeks. Please be there 20 minutes before service. Welcome everyone

and hand out bulletins. Count and post attendance. Take up offering.

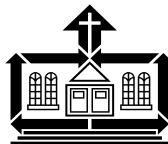
If unable to serve find a replacement.

Please have new visitors sign guest book. ☸

### CHURCH ATTENDANCE

#### Sunday Mornings

03/03	21	03/10	33
03/17	35	03/24	46



(PLEASE Post Church Attendance)



Elders remember this includes helping count the Sunday Offering. ☸

### ELDERS:

April:

Lorna Currie

May:

Kirk Langner



### APRIL 2019

April 7

Isa. 43:16-21; Ps. 126; Phil. 3:4b-14; John 12:1-8

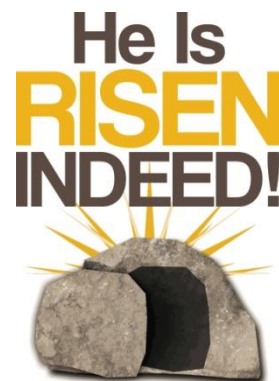
April 14

Isa. 50:4-9a; Ps. 118:1-2, 19-29; Luke 19:28-40; Phil. 2:5-11; Luke 22:14-23:56 or Luke 23:1-49

April 21

Acts 10:34-43; Ps. 118:1-2, 14-24; I Cor. 15:19-26; John 20:1-18 or Luke 24:1-12

April 28 Acts 5:27-32; Ps. 118:14-29 or Ps. 150; Rev. 1:4-8; John 20:19-31 ☸



## CHURCH FOOD STAND

Our church will be hosting the Popcorn Days Food Stand again this July. This is an outreach service to our community and many visitors. A committee is already planning for that weekend. So, we will start taking donations to defray the costs of advertising, food supplies, paper products, and other necessary items. Our hope is to be proactive and have funds available so that we do not put a strain on the budget. Please write checks to the church, but mark Popcorn Days or Food Stand on the memo line, or put cash in an envelope marked the same. We appreciate everyone's efforts.

## OUR CHURCH IN ACTION

GENEROSITY IS A MATTER OF THE HEART, NOT FINANCES.

**2019 Per Capita** amount is \$40.66. 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 make checks out to Schaller Presbyterian Church and in the memo line mark your check "Per Capita". 🌱

Earth's saddest day and gladdest day were just three days apart!

---Susan Coolidge

**Newsletter deadline with MAY information is SUNDAY, APRIL 21<sup>ST</sup>.**



## One Great Hour of Sharing

One Great Hour of Sharing, received during the season of Lent (March 6 – April 21<sup>st</sup>), makes a difference in the world through three impactful programs: Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, the Presbyterian Hunger Program, and Self-Development of People.

The One Great Hour of Sharing envelopes can be found in the pew pockets through the season of Lent. 🌱

PLEASE mark your checks Presbyterian Church and in the memo line mark OGHS. Please give generously. 🌱



Parents please encourage your children to fill up their One Great Hour of Sharing Fish Banks. 🌱

## 100 PEOPLE WHO CARE – SAC COUNTY

The mission of 100 People Who Care Sac County is to gift charities and non-profits serving Sac County with life-changing sums. Three nominated by members make a presentation, members vote, and the recipient is awarded \$100 from each member (or team). So far, 11 charities/nonprofits have benefited from our generosity. We can make a difference! Join us on April 14<sup>th</sup>, at 4 pm at the Early United Methodist Church for our next event!

EASTER SAYS YOU CAN PUT TRUTH IN A GRAVE, BUT IT WON'T STAY THERE



## ANNIVERSARY CONGRATULATIONS!

Anniv.	Name
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04/07	Aaron & Sarah Jacobson
04/18	Philip & Susan Diersen

## BIRTHDAY GREETINGS!

Birth day	Name
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04/06	Philip Diersen
04/13	Jim Currie
04/13	Arline Schill
04/18	Rhett McDonough
04/20	Daniel Langner
04/21	Anna Jacobson
04/22	Susan Diersen
04/27	Gerrit VanDenTop

To make a difference in this world, let Jesus make a difference in you!



## CHURCH PRAYER TREE

We have an opening on the Church Prayer Tree. If anyone would like to fill that position, please let Denise know. Thank you. ☸

SERMONETTE: The God who washes away our sins also wipes away our tears.



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520 Otsego St.  
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Arline Schill  
Oakview Inc. Room #416  
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Jim Ayers  
2304 State Street  
Guthrie Center, IA 50115

Beverly Alderson  
2015 Armstrong Ave  
Box 362  
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Please help adorn our Sanctuary on Easter morning by sharing Easter Lilies with us. Thank you. ☸

One Great Hour of Sharing will be dedicated either



on Palm Sunday or Easter Sunday.

Maundy Thursday (April 18<sup>th</sup>) will be at 7:00 P.M. with a Seder &

Communion Service.

Walk for Christ (April 19<sup>th</sup>) at 10:00 A.M. Begins at Early United Methodist Church and ends at Sacred Heart Church. Sponsored by the Schaller-Crestland Ministerial Association

Easter Sunday (April 21<sup>st</sup>) Easter "Sunrise Service" at 7:00 A.M.

Easter Breakfast at our church at 8:00 A.M. Breakfast prepared by the McDonough family.

The free will offering goes to the Deacon fund to help with postage, and cards for special occasions.

NO 10:00 A.M. SERVICE

NO SUNDAY SCHOOL, NO ADULT BIBLE STUDY AND NO CONFIRMATION CLASS ☸



## Crooners Concert: "Beyond the Cross"

The Crooners' Easter Presentation will be on Palm Sunday, April 14<sup>th</sup> at 1:30 P.M. at Nemaha United Methodist Church. Refreshments served following the performance. Free Will Offering. The Crooners are made up of singers from Nemaha, Early, Schaller, etc. ☸



*Women's Bible Study*

## NEWS

We are at the last chapter of our current book by Liz Higgins. The last chapter we will study is of the Bleeding Woman found in Mark Chapter 5. We don't see her as wicked or bad so you will want to visit with us to see what our author has to teach us about this unnamed woman who pulls at Jesus and asks for healing. WE meet MAY 16<sup>th</sup>. WE WILL NOT MEET IN APRIL since our calendar puts us in Holy Week during our normal time frame. Grab a friend and your bible and join us for the study.

As we go forward, we are discussing our next study and have narrowed it down to two books. One is by Max Lucado on prayer and the other is by Chondra Pierce on the study of the Book of Job. The copies of the two books are in the foyer. Check them out and see if they interest you. We will make the final decision in May and order the new books. Both come with a DVD which we will utilize in the study format. ☸

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**Cultivating Civil Community**

You can find the catalogs on the table in the Church Narthex. ☸





## IN OUR PRAYERS

Our Church, Our Session, Jeanette & Don Peterson, Ron & Maxine Warrick, Dorothy Ploeger (the loss of her sister),

Jackie Mentzer, Jill Cradic, Harlan Roeder, Alex Kron, Doug O'Bannon & his family, Sharlene Segebart Richey, the Military, our President and Congress.



Arline Schill  
Oakview Inc. Room #416  
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--SEND A CARD--MAKE A PHONE CALL--SEND AN EMAIL--VISIT--  
SAY A PRAYER--

Thank you for keeping us informed about joys and concerns. Remember, hospitalized members and friends don't always get on the list at the hospital. We'd rather get several calls than none!

If you would like to request prayers, contact Rev. Michael Sydnor (712-275-4691) or Denise King (275-4516). ☸

When you pray for others, God listens to you and blesses them, and sometimes, when you are safe and happy, remember that someone has prayed for you.

## Children's Sunday School



03/03	3	03/10	12
03/17	10	03/24	12

Many say they know Jesus, but the real question is, does Jesus know you!

## Session Highlights

Session met on Wed, March 20th. The following were items discussed.

\*Maundy Thursday Service will be at 7 P.M. on April 18th. There will be a Seder Meal for our young people starting in Fellowship Hall at 7 and service will follow in the sanctuary.

\*Easter Sunrise Service will be on April 22nd, at 7 A.M. followed by breakfast served by the McDonough families.

\*Two new teachers for our elementary were announced. Ken Fells and Florene Cook have volunteered their time along with Brenna Franken to teach our 3rd through 6th graders. We welcome their time and teaching for our youth.

\*Buildings and Grounds had discussions in two topics. Basement and garage flooding occurred during the last great rainfall in the manse where water started coming through a wall outlet in the basement. Two companies have been called to look at the situation and advise repairs. Also discussed was improving our sound system and possibly introducing a live streaming format of worship services, funerals, and weddings. Churches in and around our area are utilizing this in times of weather interruptions, funerals where families who live out in areas can't make it, or weddings with similar circumstances. We have seen several churches in our area use this type of live streaming and at the same time, we would upgrade our speakers in church for better sound coverage. More discussion will occur if there is enough interest. A donation was made to the church to cover some of the costs involved. Also discussed, Kyle will continue mowing our lawns this summer.

\*Pastor's Report includes visits, continuing confirmation class, and upcoming Presbytery meeting on April 6th in Cherokee. If any elder is interested in going to Presbytery meeting, please see Pastor Sydnor. Pastor Michael will be taking vacation April 23rd through April 28th. He will be away for a Leadership Workshop conference for the 23rd through the 25th. Worship Committee will find a person to fill the pulpit.

\*In other news, Food committee for Popcorn Days is meeting to finalize meals and times that we will serve the community during Popcorn Days. The committee is working with vendors/suppliers, setting meal pricing, and making posters and signs to direct people to our church. More news will follow as they firm up details. ☸

Spend plenty of time with God; let other things go, but don't neglect Him.

## Song of Easter

Easter lilies! Can you hear  
What they whisper, low and clear?  
In dewy fragrance they unfold  
Their splendor sweet, their snow and gold.  
Every beauty-breathing bell,  
News of heaven has to tell.  
Listen to their mystic voice,  
Hear, O mortal, and rejoice!  
Hark, their soft and heavenly chime!  
Christ is risen for all time!



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## EVERY DAY IS EASTER

"Easter comes but once a year,"  
So many people say,  
But, to a person saved from sin,  
It's Easter every day!

A man, when saved or "born again"  
His life, to Christ, will give,  
And, as a new-born babe in Christ,  
He's just begun to live.

"I am the resurrection, life,"  
The Savior, one day, said;  
'And he, believing in my word,  
Shall live, though he be dead."

And that well known Apostle,  
Paul, in Philippi made plain;  
"For me to live is Jesus Christ,  
For me to die is gain."

So when the Blood of Christ,  
our Lord, Redeems a soul from sin;  
Every day is Easter,  
For Jesus lives within!

THE GREATEST BLESSINGS AND NEWS THE WORLD EVER  
RECEIVED CAME FROM A GRAVE YARD NEAR JERUSALEM!

-- Author Unknown