FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Schaller, Iowa July 4, 2021 10:00 A. M.

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Rev. Michael Sydnor

PRELUDE

Janice Ploeger, Organist

CANDLELIGHTING

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Elder

CALL TO WORSHIP:

Elder: To Jesus we cry: Cleanse us, O Lord!

People: By the mercy of Christ we are made clean.1

Elder: Let us worship God!

*HYMN "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"

#92

INVOCATION (Please be seated)

Pastor

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (UNISON)

Elder

O Lord our God, you call us to proclaim the gospel, but we remain silent in the presence of evil. You call us to be reconciled to you and one another, but we are content to live in separation. You call us to seek the good of all, but we fail to resist the powers of oppression. You call us to fight pretensions and injustice, but we sit idly by, endangering the lives of people far and near. Forgive us, O Lord. Reconcile us to you by the power of your Spirit, and give us the courage and strength to be reconciled to others; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Savior.² (Time of silent prayer) Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*GLORIA PATRI #623

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Old Testament: II Kings 5:1-14

Elder

Pastor

Now Naaman was commander of the army of the king of Aram. He was a great man in the sight of his master and highly regarded, because through him the Lord had given victory to Aram. He was a valiant soldier, but he had leprosy. Now bands of raiders from Aram had gone out and had taken captive a young girl from Israel, and she served Naaman's wife. She said to her mistress, "If only my master would see the prophet who is in Samaria! He would cure him of his leprosy." Naaman went to his master and told him what the girl from Israel had said. "By all means, go," the king of Aram replied. "I will send a letter to the king of Israel." So Naaman left, taking with him ten talents of silver, six thousand shekels of gold and ten sets of clothing. The letter that he took to the king of Israel read: "With this letter I am sending my servant Naaman to you so that you may cure him of his leprosy." As soon as the king of Israel read the letter, he tore his robes and said, "Am I God? Can I kill and bring back to life? Why does this fellow send someone to me to be cured of his leprosy? See how he is trying to pick a quarrel with me!" When Elisha the man of God heard that the king of Israel had torn his robes, he sent him this message: "Why have you torn your robes? Have the man come to me and he will know that there is a prophet in Israel." So Naaman went with his horses and chariots and stopped at the door of Elisha's house. Elisha sent a messenger to say to him, "Go, wash yourself seven times in the Jordan, and your flesh will be restored and you will be cleansed." But Naaman went away angry and said, "I thought that he would

¹ Presbyterian Church. Book of Common Worship (p. 223). Presbyterian Publishing. Kindle Edition.

² Presbyterian Church. Book of Common Worship (p. 60). Presbyterian Publishing. Kindle Edition.

surely come out to me and stand and call on the name of the Lord his God, wave his hand over the spot and cure me of my leprosy. Are not Abana and Pharpar, the rivers of Damascus, better than all the waters of Israel? Couldn't I wash in them and be cleansed?" So he turned and went off in a rage. Naaman's servants went to him and said, "My father, if the prophet had told you to do some great thing, would you not have done it? How much more, then, when he tells you, 'Wash and be cleansed'!" So he went down and dipped himself in the Jordan seven times, as the man of God had told him, and his flesh was restored and became clean like that of a young boy.

Leader: The Word of the Lord: People: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Lesson: Mark 1:40-45 Elder

40 A man with leprosy came to him and begged him on his knees, "If you are willing, you can make me clean." 41 Jesus was indignant. He reached out his hand and touched the man. "I am willing," he said. "Be clean!" 42 Immediately the leprosy left him and he was cleansed. 43 Jesus sent him away at once with a strong warning: 44 "See that you don't tell this to anyone. But go, show yourself to the priest and offer the sacrifices that Moses commanded for your cleansing, as a testimony to them."
45 Instead he went out and began to talk freely, spreading the news. As a result, Jesus could no longer enter a town openly but stayed outside in lonely places. Yet the people still came to him from everywhere.

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

CHILDRENS TIME

HYMN "Rock of Ages"

#204

ANNIVERSARY WISHES:

Jerry & Dee Gosch (July 17th)

CA & Terri Rininger (July 18th)

Dan & Theresa Bailey (July 28th)

BIRTHDAY WISHES:

Angie Claussen (July 4th)

Lorna Currie (July 5th)

Mike McDonough (July 7th)

CA Rininger (July 9th)

Audrey Currie (July 10th)

Henry Jacobsen (July 13th)

Jane Bisenius (July 16th)

Eli Franken (July 19th)

Ryan Currie (July 27th)

SERMON

"A Costly Healing"

*APOSTLE'S CREED

MINUTE FOR MISSION

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

Prayers of Intercession

The Lord's Prayer

Congregational Response #421 (Verse 1)

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

*DOXOLOGY #625

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*HYMN "America, the Beautiful!" #572

*BENEDICTION

*BENEDICTION SONG "Freely, Freely" (V. 1) #447

*POSTLUDE

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

July 2021

04 Sunday Happy Fourth of July

9:00 am Sunday School Classes

10:00 am In-Person & Live Streaming Worship in

Sanctuary (No Masks if fully

vaccinated)

08 Thursday

7:00 pm Online Weekly Bible Devotional and

Prayers

09 Friday Popcorn Days

6:30 pm Kiddie Parade

10 Saturday Popcorn Days

10:00 am Big Float Parade

11 Sunday

NO SUNDAY SCHOOL

10:00 am In-Person & Live Streaming Worship in

Sanctuary (No Masks if fully

vaccinated)



We would like to extend a warm Thank You to our many friends and family in our community. Many have contributed meals, fresh food, baked goodies, warm and fuzzy blankets, flowers and clothes. It is all appreciated and loved. We have come to realize how very special our community

is by the warmth they show and the goodness they manifest in each other through our mutual love of Jesus Christ.

NEW JOYS & CONCERNS

Denise King

(Healing of knees and patience)

CONTINUING JOYS AND CONCERNS:

Cathy & Michael Sydnor

Jim McDonough

Kirk Langner

Daniel Langner (foot)

Jeff Jacobson

Mary Haselhoff Volkert (Recovering from stroke and trying to get her back to Iowa)

Anna Hereen (2 inoperable brain tumors) A trip to Mayo

Ron Cork (Waiting for a Kidney)

Beth Langner

Pam Sackett

Gloria Woodke

Thris Niemeier (Cancer no cure)

Kristal Kast

Brenda Segebart

Rick Schill

Andy Beckord