

**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**  
**Schaller, Iowa      10:00 A. M.      October 17, 2021**  
**Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**Rev. Michael Sydnor**

**PRELUDE**      Janice Ploeger, Organist

**CANDLELIGHTING**

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**CALL TO WORSHIP:**

Elder: Those who love the Lord, God will deliver;

**People: when they call, God will answer them.<sup>1</sup>**

Elder: Let us worship God!

**\*HYMN      “All Things Bright and Beautiful”      #578**

**INVOCATION      (Please be seated)      Pastor**

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION      (UNISON)      Elder**

We, like James and John, want the best seats in the house. We compete with family members, classmates, and fellow workers for various honors. We work hard to be recognized, rather than strive to help and serve others.

Forgive us for our pride and selfishness. Give us new hearts dedicated to worshiping you and serving others so that all might see Christ living in us. (Time of silent prayer) Amen.

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON      Pastor**

**\*GLORIA PATRI      #623**

**SCRIPTURE LESSON**

**Old Testament: Job 38:1-7**

**Elder**

38 Then the Lord spoke to Job out of the storm. He said: 2 “Who is this that obscures my plans with words without knowledge? 3 Brace yourself like a man; I will question you, and you shall answer me. 4 “Where were you when I laid the earth’s foundation? Tell me, if you understand. 5 Who marked off its dimensions? Surely you know! Who stretched a measuring line across it? 6 On what were its footings set, or who laid its cornerstone— 7 while the morning stars sang together and all the angels shouted for joy?

Leader:

The Word of the Lord:

People:

Thanks be to God.

**Gospel Lesson: Mark 10:32-45**

32 They were on their way up to Jerusalem, with Jesus leading the way, and the disciples were astonished, while those who followed were afraid. Again he took the Twelve aside and told them what was going to happen to him. 33 “We are going up to Jerusalem,” he said, “and the Son of Man will be delivered over to the chief priests and the teachers of the law. They will condemn him to death and will hand him over to the Gentiles, 34 who will mock him and spit on him, flog him and kill him. Three days later he will rise.” 35 Then James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came to him. “Teacher,” they said, “we want you to do for us whatever we ask.” 36 “What do you want me to do for you?” he asked. 37 They replied, “Let one of us sit at your right and the other at your left in your glory.” 38 “You don’t know what you are asking,” Jesus said. “Can you drink the cup I drink or be baptized with the baptism I am baptized with?” 39 “We can,” they answered. Jesus said to them,

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<sup>1</sup> Presbyterian Church. Book of Common Worship (p. 379). Presbyterian

**“You will drink the cup I drink and be baptized with the baptism I am baptized with, 40 but to sit at my right or left is not for me to grant. These places belong to those for whom they have been prepared.” 41 When the ten heard about this, they became indignant with James and John. 42 Jesus called them together and said, “You know that those who are regarded as rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their high officials exercise authority over them. 43 Not so with you. Instead, whoever wants to become great among you must be your servant, 44 and whoever wants to be first must be slave of all. 45 For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.”**

**Leader:** The Word of the Lord.

**People:** Thanks be to God.

## **CHILDRENS TIME**

**HYMN** “Take My Life and Let It Be” **#379**

**SERMON** “How Low Can You Go?”

## **\*APOSTLE’S CREED**

## **MINUTE FOR MISSION**

## **SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS**

**Prayers of Intercession**

**The Lord’s Prayer**

**Congregational Response #421 (Verse 1)**

## **ANNIVERSARY WISHES:**

Scott & Lorna Currie (Oct. 17<sup>th</sup>)

## **BIRTHDAY WISHES:**

Nick Langner (Oct. 19<sup>th</sup>)

Madelyn Jacobson (Oct. 22<sup>nd</sup>)

Regan McDonough (Oct. 20<sup>th</sup>)

Ryder McDonough (Oct. 23<sup>rd</sup>)

Jackie Mentzer (Oct. 24<sup>th</sup>)

Terri Rininger (Oct. 29<sup>th</sup>)

## **PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

### **OFFERTORY**

**\*DOXOLOGY**

**#625**

**\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

**\*HYMN**

**“Just a Closer Walk with Thee”**

**#380**

**\*BENEDICTION**

**\*BENEDICTION SONG**

**“Freely, Freely” (V. 1)**

**#447**

**\*POSTLUDE**

**(\*Those who are able please stand.)**

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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

October 2021

17 Sunday

9:00 am Sunday School  
9:00 am Confirmation Class  
10:00 am In-Person & Live Streaming  
Worship in Sanctuary (No  
Masks if fully vaccinated)

20 Wednesday

3:30-5:30 pm Purple Gang  
7:00 pm Session Meeting

21 Thursday

7:00 pm Online Thursday Evening Bible  
Devotional and Prayers

24 Sunday

9:00 am Sunday School  
10:00 am In-Person & Live Streaming  
Worship in Sanctuary (No  
Masks if fully vaccinated)

## MAILING ADDRESS FOR JANICE RYDBERG

Janice Rydberg  
Pleasant View Home  
410 Spruce St. Room #215  
Albert City, IA 50510

## NEW JOYS & CONCERNS

Gloria Woodke  
Ken Fells (had surgery)

## CONTINUING JOYS AND CONCERNS:

Judy Fells  
Mary Haight  
Shari O'Bannon  
Janice Rydberg  
Isaiah Aldiano  
Nick Langner  
Diane King  
Brenda Segebart  
Jeff Jacobson  
Anna Hereen  
Kristal Kast  
Rick Schill  
Andy Beckord

Pray for the people in Haiti, and the lives lost and communities shattered by the devastating earthquake and its aftermath. Pray for those impacted by Hurricane Ida who suffered loss of family or home and for those who are working tirelessly to provide rescue, humanitarian aid, and spiritual and psychological support. Also prayers for all those who lost their homes to the wildfires in California.