

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Schaller, Iowa
October 11, 2020

10:00 A. M.
Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Rev. Kenneth Fells

PRELUDE

Judy Fells, Organist

CANDLELIGHTING

INTROIT "The Family of God" #282

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Elder

CALL TO WORSHIP:

Elder: Stand firm in the word of the Lord.

People: Let us call on God, our help.

Elder: Continue in the truth of the gospel.

People: Let us pray and not lose heart. Let us worship God.

***HYMN** "What a Friend We Have in Jesus" #435

INVOCATION (Please be seated) Pastor

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (UNISON) Elder

We confess our desire to run our own lives and to resist your will. You want to protect us while we endanger ourselves and hurt others. We listen to people who promise peace, security, or happiness; but do not hear your voice calling us to your true peace and joy. Forgive us for our self-destructive and violent ways and enable us to know the things that make for peace. Then fold us under your wings so that we may truly understand the security that you alone provide. (Time of silent prayer)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON Pastor

***GLORIA PATRI** #623

CHILDRENS TIME

HYMN "Jesus is Lord of All" #359

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Old Testament: Psalm 106:1-6, 19-23 Elder

1 Praise the Lord. Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his love endures forever. 2 Who can proclaim the mighty acts of the Lord or fully declare his praise? 3 Blessed are those who act justly, who always do what is right. 4 Remember me, Lord, when you show favor to your people, come to my aid when you save them, 5 that I may enjoy the prosperity of your chosen ones, that I may share in the joy of your nation and join your inheritance in giving praise. 6 We have sinned, even as our ancestors did; we have done wrong and acted wickedly. 19 At Horeb they made a calf and worshiped an idol cast from metal. 20 They

exchanged their glorious God for an image of a bull, which eats grass. 21 They forgot the God who saved them, who had done great things in Egypt, 22 miracles in the land of Ham and awesome deeds by the Red Sea. 23 So he said he would destroy them— had not Moses, his chosen one, stood in the breach before him to keep his wrath from destroying them.

Leader:

The Word of the Lord:

People:

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Lesson: Matthew 22:1-14

22 Jesus spoke to them again in parables, saying: 2 “The kingdom of heaven is like a king who prepared a wedding banquet for his son. 3 He sent his servants to those who had been invited to the banquet to tell them to come, but they refused to come. 4 “Then he sent some more servants and said, ‘Tell those who have been invited that I have prepared my dinner: My oxen and fattened cattle have been butchered, and everything is ready. Come to the wedding banquet.’ 5 “But they paid no attention and went off—one to his field, another to his business. 6 The rest seized his servants, mistreated them and killed them. 7 The king was enraged. He sent his army and destroyed those murderers and burned their city. 8 “Then he said to his servants, ‘The wedding banquet is ready, but those I invited did not deserve to come. 9 So go to the street corners and invite to the banquet anyone you find.’ 10 So the servants went out into the streets and gathered all the people they could find, the bad as well as the good, and the wedding hall was filled with guests. 11 “But when the king came in to see the guests, he noticed a man there who was not wearing wedding clothes. 12 He asked, ‘How did you get in here without wedding clothes, friend?’ The man was speechless. 13 “Then the king told the attendants, ‘Tie him hand and foot, and throw him outside, into the darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.’ 14 “For many are invited, but few are chosen.”

Leader:

The Word of the Lord.

People:

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

“The Limit of Unlimited Grace”

***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 “Rejoice, The Lord Is King” #228**

***BENEDICTION**

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