#### FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Schaller, Iowa 10:00 A.M. November 10, 2024 Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Pentecost Rev. Michael Sydnor

**PRELUDE** 

**Janice Ploeger, Organist** 

CANDLELIGHTING

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS** 

CALL TO WORSHIP: Elder

Elder: I will praise the Lord as long as I live; I will sing praises to my God all my life long.

People: Do not put your trust in princes, in mortals, in whom there is no help.

Elder: Happy are those whose help is the God of Jacob, whose hope is in the Lord their God.

People: The Lord sets the prisoners free; the Lord opens the eyes of the blind. The Lord lifts up those who are bowed down; the Lord loves the righteous.

Elder: The Lord watches over the strangers; he upholds the orphan and the widow, but the way of the wicked he brings to ruin.

People: I will praise the Lord as long as I live; I will sing praises to my God all my life long. <sup>1</sup>

\*HYMN "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing" #2
INVOCATION (Please be seated) Pastor

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (UNISON)

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Elder

Merciful God, in your gracious presence we confess our sin and the sin of this world. Although Christ is among us as our peace, we are a people divided against ourselves as we cling to the values of a broken world. The profit and pleasures we pursue lay waste the land and pollute the seas. The fears and jealousies that we harbor set neighbor against neighbor and nation against nation. We abuse your good gifts of imagination and freedom, of intellect and reason, and have turned them into bonds of oppression. Lord, have mercy upon us; heal and forgive us. Set us free to serve you in the world as agents of your reconciling love in Jesus Christ.<sup>2</sup> (Time of silent prayer) Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

**Pastor** 

\*GLORIA PATRI #623

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Old Testament: Ruth 3:1-5, 4:13-17 Elder

1 One day Ruth's mother-in-law Naomi said to her, "My daughter, I must find a home for you, where you will be well provided for. <sup>2</sup> Now Boaz, with whose women you have worked, is a relative of ours. Tonight he will be winnowing barley on the threshing floor. <sup>3</sup> Wash, put on perfume, and get dressed in your best clothes. Then go down to the threshing floor, but don't let him know you are there until he has finished eating and drinking. <sup>4</sup> When he lies down, note the place where he is lying. Then go and uncover his feet and lie down. He will tell you what to do." <sup>5</sup> "I will do whatever you say," Ruth answered. 4:13 So Boaz took Ruth and she became his wife. When they came together, the LORD made her conceive, and she

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Presbyterian Church. Book of Common Worship (p. 383). Presbyterian Publishing. Kindle Edition.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Presbyterian Church. Book of Common Worship (p. 59). Presbyterian Publishing. Kindle Edition.

bore a son. Then the women said to Naomi, "Blessed be the LORD, who has not left you this day without next-of-kin; and may his name be renowned in Israel! He shall be to you a restorer of life and a nourisher of your old age; for your daughter-in-law who loves you, who is more to you than seven sons, has borne him." Then Naomi took the child and laid him in her bosom, and became his nurse. The women of the neighborhood gave him a name, saying, "A son has been born to Naomi." They named him Obed; he became the father of Jesse, the father of David.

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

Gospel Lesson: Mark 12:38-44 Pastor

They like to walk around in flowing robes and be greeted with respect in the marketplaces, <sup>39</sup> and have the most important seats in the synagogues and the places of honor at banquets. <sup>40</sup> They devour widows' houses and for a show make lengthy prayers. These men will be punished most severely." <sup>41</sup> Jesus sat down opposite the place where the offerings were put and watched the crowd putting their money into the temple treasury. Many rich people threw in large amounts. <sup>42</sup> But a poor widow came and put in two very small copper coins, worth only a few cents. <sup>43</sup> Calling his disciples to him, Jesus said, "Truly I tell you, this poor widow has put more into the treasury than all the others. <sup>44</sup> They all gave out of their wealth; but she, out of her poverty, put in everything—all she had to live on."

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

#### CHILDRENS TIME

HYMN "O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee" #451

SERMON "Jesus Sees Everything!"

## **NEW JOYS & CONCERNS:**

The Family of Joni King (Ron & Clare King's Daughter In Law)

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

**Our Pastor** 

**Our Church** 

**Our School** 

**Iowa Flooding, Tornadoes, Hurricanes** 

Florene Cork

**Kirk Langner** 

**Denise King** 

**Terri Rininger** 

**Duane Warriner** 

Wanda Jeppeson

**Carol Wendel** 

**Betty Bailey** 

**Chad Hansen** 

**Ruth Borcherding** 

**Veronica Moyle** 

**Rod Plagman** 

Velma Woodke

**Richard Morgan** 

Mark Diersen

**Dexter Meseck** 

**Steve Schaefer** 

Ken Fells Jr.

## PRAYER FOR CHURCHES

## November 10, 2024

Pastors Who Serve as Members at Large - Rev. Donna Gray

#### November 17, 2024

Pray for the Presbytery Staff - Rev. Dr. Annika Lister Stroope, Administrative Executive & Stated Clerk RE Amgad Beblawl, Ministry & Mission Executive Rev. Ian McMullen, Pastor to the Presbyteriies, Jeannie Stolee, Office Manager

#### \*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 "Battle Hymn of the Republic" #569

\*BENEDICTION

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

\*POSTLUDE

(\*Those who are able please stand.)

## **2024 PER CAPITA**

2024 Per Capita amount is \$53.95. 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".

### **ELDER OF THE MONTH FOR NOVEMBER:**

**Lorna Currie** 

Welcome to the Lord's house. Today we recognize with appreciation all the men and women who have served or are currently serving in our nation's military.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

# November 2024

10 Sunday

9:00 a.m. Sunday School

10:00 a.m. In-Person Worship

11 Monday Veterans Day

11-17 Monday thru Sunday (Rev. Michael on Vacation)

17 Sunday (Rev. Fells will be filling the Pulpit)

9:00 a.m. Sunday School

10:00 a.m. In-Person Worship

18 Monday

7:00 p.m. Session Meeting

24 Sunday

9:00 a.m. Sunday School

10:00 a.m. In-Person Worship

28 Thursday

**Happy Thanksgiving** 

## **BIRTHDAY WISHES:**

Michael Sydnor (Nov. 10<sup>th</sup>)
Cari Pyle (Nov. 12<sup>th</sup>)
Cody Pyle (Nov. 12<sup>th</sup>)

Adam Pyle (Nov 16<sup>th</sup>)

## **ANNIVERSARY WISHES:**

Ken & Judy Fells (Nov. 26<sup>th</sup>)

#### **BIG THANK YOU!**

We want to thank Cathy McDonough, Cody, Cari & Kallie Pyle, Jacee & Haddie McDonough for doing the bulletin board in the entryway.

# A Veterans Day prayer

God of all nations, you are our Strength and Shield. We give you thanks today for the devotion and courage of all those who have offered military service for this country ...

We ask today that you would lift up by your Spirit those who are now at war; encourage and heal those in hospitals or mending their wounds at home; guard those in any need or trouble; hold safely in your hands all military families and bring the returning troops to joyful reunion and tranquil life at home. Give to us, your people, grateful hearts and a united will to honor these men and women and hold them always in our love and our prayers until your world is perfected in peace and all wars cease. Through Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.

-Rev. Dr. Jennifer Phillips

# A stanza for Veterans Day

As we remember America's veterans on November 11, we would do well to read again the third stanza of Katherine Lee Bates' America the Beautiful:

O beautiful for heroes proved In liberating strife, Who more than self Their country loved, And mercy more than life! America! America! May God thy gold refine, Till all success be nobleness, And every gain divine!



#### MISSION STATEMENT OF ANGEL TOUCH

An Angel's Touch is a nonprofit Charitable 501 (3) organization set up to honor Ron and Janette Willer by their loving family to improve the lives of the elderly, children and those with special needs who are impoverished, distressed, underprivileged or low income by giving one small gift at a time with heartfelt love.

We are asking church families if anyone would be willing to make a batch of cookies or candies to An Angel's Touch Cookie Sale on December 14th, contact Denise King (712-749-9408) or Shari Willer O'Bannon (712-299-0397). We will also be glad to pick them up.