



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

FIRST FOR CHRIST... FIRST FOR YOU! ©

9:00 A.M. JANUARY 31, 2010

Welcome and Announcements *Please pass the attendance register. If you have a spiritual need, feel free to speak to the pastor, an usher or mark the register.*

You are important to us & the God who loves us all!

Praise Songs

"Not To Us" by Jessie Reeves and Chris Tomlin

"You Are My King (Amazing Love)" by Billy Foote

Collect

Gracious God, whose nature is love, and who has created Your children with the capacity to reflect that nature by receiving and sharing that love: Recondition our lives with the gift of love that all we do in service on Your behalf may be done in the spirit of genuine love, making effective the purpose of the many gifts You have given us. In our Savior's name we pray. Amen.

Prayer of Confession (Silent , Then Unison)

We are in Your service, Lord, gifted by Your benevolent love. But so much of our service has been wasted talent made worthless by the lack of love. Forgive us for our pride, our arrogance, our boasting, our selfish stubbornness. Help us to put away our childish ways of greed and quarreling that we may serve You with the perfect gift of love. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

God's righteousness which rescues and saves us has been revealed in Jesus. For God did not send Jesus into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him. Those who believe in him are not condemned, therefore I declare to you: in Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

Thanks be to God!

***Gloria Patri**

Glory be to the Father

And to the Son

And to the Holy Ghost.

As it was in the beginning,

Is now and ever shall be

World without end. Amen. Amen.

***Please Rise in Body or Spirit!**

Children's Time

Paula Zavitz

Children, ages Kindergarten thru 5th grade, are dismissed to attend Godly Play. Parents, please pick up your children in room 6, located on the lower level, after the service.

Our Gifts To God

**"O Love, How Deep, How Broad, How High"
Chancel Choir**

Carl Schalk

***Doxology & Prayer of Dedication**

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

***Hymn of Preparation:**

"O Perfect Love"

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Old Testament Lesson:

Jeremiah 1:4-10

New Testament Lessons:

Epistle:

1 Corinthians 13:1-13

Gospel:

Luke 4:21-30

Sermon

"Knowing God"

Rev. Bob Evans

Affirmation of Faith

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin, Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen

Prayer of Thanksgiving

***Please Rise in Body or Spirit!**

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

***Hymn of Dedication**

"The Gift of Love"

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Benediction

Postlude

***Please Rise in Body or Spirit!**

Memory Verse: "For now we see in a mirror, dimly, but then we shall see face to face. Now I know only in part; then I will know fully, even as I have been fully known. And now faith, hope, and love abide these three; and the greatest of these is love." 1 Corinthians 13: 12-13

WELCOME

- ✚ **Searching for a church home:** We encourage you to sign-in on the Friendship pads. Please mark your desire and the pastor will contact you.
- ✚ **Hearing impaired** persons may request sound amplification.
- ✚ **Fellowship time:** Offered after worship. Please join us for an assortment of goodies in the Social Room, located on the lower level. All are welcome and encouraged to mingle and greet one another.
- ✚ **Communion:** Open to all believers in Jesus Christ. Communion is celebrated the first Sunday of every month.
- ✚ **Children:** Welcomed and encouraged to attend Godly Play during church after the Children's Sermon.
- ✚ **Nursery:** Available during worship services. The Nursery is located on the main level on

Calendar of Events

TODAY

9:00 a.m.	Worship (<i>Nursery provided</i>)	Sanctuary
10:00 a.m.	Fellowship	Social Room
10:30 a.m.	Christian Education	See Schedule of Events on Next Page
5:00 p.m.	Vespers Service	
6:00 p.m.	The Gathering for Young Adults	Living Room

Monday February 1

9:00 a.m.	Membership Committee	Lounge
7:00 p.m.	AA	Social Room

Tuesday February 2

9:00 a.m.	Staff Meeting	
6:00 p.m.	Bells of the Hills	Bell Room
7:00 p.m.	Worship Meeting	Room 4
	Personnel Meeting	Prayer Room

Wednesday February 3

See Next page for list of events and times

5:30 p.m.	Dinner	Social Room
6:00 p.m.	Adult Bells	Bell Room
7:00 p.m.	Choir	3rd floor Choir Room

Thursday February 4

Happy Birthday Bald Bob!

10:30 a.m.	CE Meeting	Room 10
10:30 a.m.	XYZ Coordinating Team Meeting	Lounge
1:00 p.m.	Watercolor class with M. Kundel	Social Room
5:00 p.m.	Love INC	

Friday February 5

Saturday February 6

7:00 a.m.	Men's Fellowship	Social Room
9:00 a.m.	Bells of the Hills	Bell Room

Those who are serving January 31, 2010

Acolytes: Alex Harmon & Sierra Riester
Lectionary Reader: Brent Albrecht
Greeters: Gerald & Elenor Rhodes
Ushers: Steve & Amy Berke, Caleb Marler
Nursery Care: Callie Stainbrook, Diann Habicht
Godly Play: Carolee Hoekman, Lisa Atnip
AV: Bill Zavitz

Those who will serve February 7, 2010

Communion Servers: Ron Davis, Jim & Linda Dupre
Acolytes: Maddi Reister & Gracey Brink
Lectionary Reader: Michele Johnson
Greeters: Leo & Audrey Hamm
Ushers: Darwin & Lauree Buus, Gary Hoekman, Marv Zimmerman, Cheryl Saylor
Nursery Care: Sierra Reister, Claire Reilly Allen
No Godly Play
AV:

Honor and remember your loved ones, sponsor the Chancel flowers for \$30.

Christian Education Opportunities

Sunday at 10:30 a.m.		Monday		
Adult—	Chapel	5:30 p.m.	Disciple	Lounge
We Believe (Children ages 4 to 5th grade) Room 10 & Room 2		Wednesday		
Youth Study	Underground	6:00-8:00	Embrace!	Social Room
	Sunday 6:00 p.m.	6:00-8:00	Walkabout	Room 2
Gathering for Young Adults	3rd floor Living room	6:00—8:00	Joshua Study PW Study book used, open to all!	Chapel

EMBRACE YOUTH AND YOUNG ADULT MINISTRIES HAPPENINGS

EMBRACE YOUTH GROUP!

It's a new year. A brand new opportunity to grow in, live in, and be in God's Word! Join Team Embrace as we seek God's purpose in our lives together with fun, love, and His teaching. Be there...EMBRACE! (clap)

Be sure to get your **Super Bowl Sub Sandwich** ordered! Homemade subs to enjoy during the game can't be beat. See an Embrace Youth to get yours ordered for the big game!

Don't miss out on a **romantic evening provided by Team Embrace!** Saturday, February 13th from 6pm-9pm Team Embrace will be serving a homemade romantic meal for all you lovers out there. A wonderful meal, a talent show, and great community together will make this Valentine's weekend something special. This fundraiser for Acquire The Fire will be a night to remember. See one of your Embrace youth or youth leaders for a ticket and information. Can't wait to serve YOU!

THE GATHERING UPDATE!

Come and join us for Vespers and The Gathering, Sundays at 5:00 pm in the Chapel. Come for a time of community, prayer, and the discussion of God's Word then stay for a family style dinner upstairs in the Living Room. A family of young adults seeking God; join us!

Attendance

January 24, 2010 190

January 15, 2009 159

Eadie Townley, Pat
Erickson, June Jones, Gena
Karen, Shirley & Glenn
Zaske, Teresa Sigman,
Doris Pederson, Dorothy
Brooks, Lisle Owens, Esther
Palmer, Roy Anderson,
Brenda Shirk, Earl Dailey,

Lois Kluthe, Betty Wells,
William Auger, Joyce
Skeels, Dale Smith, Jon
Anderson, Bob Lind,
Dorothy Swanson,
Elizabeth Chamberlain-
Smith, Frances L. Parker,
Paul Moreland, Melissa

Brumbaugh, Dale Smith,
Estelle Myers, Kay &
Wayne Lang, Vickie
Erickson, Margie Wickler,
Tom Habicht, Andy Rice

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Lenten Small Groups:** Sign up in the Narthex for a date and time convenient to you. Groups will meet once a week to study the Lenten devotional and enjoy dessert.
- **Calling all Promise Keepers!** When we welcome children into the family we call on the church to promise to help them to grow in their faith. Here's a chance to fulfill your promise! I am looking for adults who would like to have a child in the congregation as a pen-pal for the season of Lent. Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, February 17th and ends with Easter, on April 4th. Please contact Paula Zavitz (343-6171x23) if you would like to participate in this program.
- **Confirmation Class:** Starts *February 3* for students 13 and older. Sign up in the Narthex. Mentors for each confirmand are needed, please see Reverend Evans if willing to take on this responsibility! Class begins at 4:30 p.m.
- **Photo Directory:** Congregation members who would like to update their photo or have a photo taken for the directory may do so Feb. 7 or 21 after service in the Social Room.
- **Blood Drive:** Feb. 8 from 2-6p.m. in the Social Room, sign up online or contact the United Blood Services.
- **Looking for a place to give of your time and talents?** Consider these opportunities. 1) Choose to individually or with your church group, prepare and serve the Wednesday Night Meal! or 2) Choose to provide bars or cookies for a Wednesday Night Meal! or 3) Choose to help serve a Wednesday Night Meal! If interested or want more information please contact Lauree Buus at 716-7070. THANK YOU!
- **Giving Envelopes:** Can't find your envelopes? If you returned your giving statement for 2010 and did NOT complete the bottom portion: "I/We prefer offering envelopes: Weekly, Monthly, None." No envelopes were created for you. Please contact the office if you would like giving envelopes.

First Presbyterian's Five Avenues to the Transfigured Community

We are a **contagious congregation**—one where others are swept up in our love for Jesus Christ, for each other, and for the stranger.

Luke 15:4

We are a **transforming congregation**—one in which lives are marvelously changed by the Holy Spirit from the inside—out.

Philippians 3:14

We are an **engaging congregation**—invested in daily Bible Study and Prayer so that we may ourselves become a word from God.

John 15:5

We are an **openhanded congregation**—to all those who are hurting and in need both inside and outside our faith community.

Matthew 25:34-35

We are a **radiant congregation**—exuding irrepressible, inexhaustible joy that no one can resist!

John 15:11

Session

Class of 2010

Jon Bunnell	Darwin Buus
Dan Redin	Jim Haddock
Bob Martin	

Class of 2011

Cheryl Saylor	Lois Huisman
Phyllis Dixon	Al Johnson
Open	

Class of 2012

Doris Dressler	Brent Albrecht
Ginny Reinicke	Jim Dupre
Bernita Loucks	

Deacons

Class of 2010

Dottie Pugsley	Patricia Ketelsen
Avis Tellinghuisen	Arletta Dailey
Brian Atnip	

Class of 2011

Donna Weeks	Mary Ann Davis
Raye Dean Rypkema	Lauree Buus
Dorothy Clark	

Class of 2012

Daryl Aston	Cindy Shagla
Judy Nielson	Vonnie Froistad
Mike Engel	