

First Presbyterian Church  
Winnebago, Illinois  
April 24, 2016  
10:30 a.m.

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Liturgical color white is for the redemptive work of Jesus Christ

**PREPARING FOR THE WORD**

Prelude "Down to the River to Pray" Douglas Wagner

Welcome/Announcements

Call to Worship: Psalm 46:1-4; 7 **Unison Reading**  
"God is our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in trouble. Therefore we will not fear, though the earth give way and the mountains fall into the heart of the sea, though its waters roar and foam and the mountains quake with their surging. There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy place where the Most High dwells. ...The LORD Almighty is with us; ..." Therefore, we will praise the Lord with gladness and worship the Savior with joy!

\*Hymn "When Morning Gilds the Skies" #487

Prayer of Adoration and Confession: **Unison Reading**  
Heavenly Creator, you are faithful to keep your promises but I confess that I have faltered and have not done the same. I ask humbly that your forgive me of my sins through your love and mercy. Make me holy by your wondrous grace and strengthen me with the new song of salvation in my heart. I ask this in Jesus precious name. Amen.

**Announcements**

Our Church Website: <http://www.thewfpc.org>  
(prayer request cards are now available on the table in the narthex)

**Please keep in prayer:**  
Paula Price. Dee Swigart.

All groups meet at the church unless otherwise specified.

**Office hours for Pastor Carroll** are Wednesday from 1-5 p.m. and Friday 2-6 p.m. His email is: [pastor1@thewfpc.org](mailto:pastor1@thewfpc.org)

**Chicks with Sticks** will meet on Tuesday at Gwen Vietmeier's home starting at 7 p.m.

**Choir** will meet on Wednesday at 7 p.m.

**Summer music** It's time to start planning for summer special music. Musicians of all ages can sign-up on the summer music calendar on the bulletin board and/or call Michelle or the church office.

**2016 Per capita** is \$35.66 per member. \$2546.37 collected to date.

**Workcampers** are selling shares (\$10 ea.) for the mission trip to Elizabeth City, NC. These can be purchased from campers or Barb Whitney. Thank you for your support.

**2016 Directories** are now available, one per family please.

**The Dedication Celebration for Pitney Place**, a refuge for women and children, will be held Friday, April 29th at 4:30 pm. If you would like to attend please call Bev Samsel, 815-335-2892, before April 25th. A reservation is required. We will meet at the church at 3:30 pm to car pool.



Doing Spring cleaning? Finding items you don't need?  
The church rummage sale needs your donations.

Drop off your items at the church May 2-4 in the mornings  
or in the evenings after 5:30 p.m.

**No organs, piano's, T.V.'s or computer equipment accepted**

If you need small or large items picked up  
call Barb Whitney at 815-335-1048

*We need volunteers to work the sale, contact Barb*

**Absolutely no early drop offs**

we do not have any room to store items

Rummage Sale hours will be:

Thursday & Friday, May 5-6 from 9 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.

Saturday, May 7th from 8-11 a.m.

Thank you for supporting this year's work campers!

Assurance of Pardon:

**Unison Reading**

**As the Bible declares, Christ came "... to give his people the knowledge of salvation through the forgiveness of their sins." Therefore, I am pardoned through the sacrifice of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.**

\*Gloria Patri

#579

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer concluding with the Lord's Prayer

Puppet Show

"A Mother's Resume"

\*Hymn

"Spirit of the Living God"

#322

Presentation of Gifts and Offerings

"Moments of Meditation"

Robert Hughes

\*Doxology

#592

\*Prayer of Dedication

**Unison Prayer**

**Wondrous Savior, you are worthy of all our praise. Thank you for the opportunity to give back to you. We offer our gifts with a heart of thanksgiving. Help us to give message of salvation to others through our time and talents. In Christ's name we pray, Amen.**

Passing of the Peace

### **RECEIVING THE WORD**

Scripture:

Luke 1:17

pg. 1041

Message:

"It Takes a Lot of Love to Build a Great Parental Resume"

Dr. Carroll Smith

**RESPONDING TO THE WORD**

\*Hymn            “May the Lord, Mighty God” (twice)    insert

Benediction

Postlude            “A Song of Rejoicing”            John Rasley

All music in our bulletin is protected under CCLI#1409680

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Church phone number            815-335-2051

Pastoral Cell                      815-742-7503

Attendance                              88

Offerings                                \$1696.00

**SHARING THE WORD THROUGHOUT THE WORLD**

*Every member a minister...*

Accompanist                              Karen Neimeier

Projectionist                              Rachel Rittmeyer

Ushers                                      Chuck & Greg Rittmeyer

Greeters                                    Tom & Cindy Erb

Acolytes                                    Mitchel Cunningham, Thea Mitchell

**“May the Lord Mighty God”**

May the Lord Mighty God  
Bless and keep you forever.  
Give you peace, perfect peace;  
Strength in every endeavor.  
Lift up your eyes and behold his grace  
And His strength forever.  
May the Lord Mighty God  
Bless and keep you forever.

**Looking ahead...**

May 1 - Confirmation / Choir / Fellowship  
May 8 - Last Day of Sunday school / Mother’s Day

*Flowers and Bulletins sign up sheets are on the bulletin board.  
Bulletins are \$20. Flowers are \$25 (new lower price).*

# MOTHER'S DAY GERANIUMS AND FLOWERS

The monies from these sales will be used towards PW missions.

**Please make checks payable to:** Presbyterian Women

Turn orders into Stacy Weavel or Michelle Erb.

**Deadline for orders is May 1**

\_\_\_\_\_ Red 4 1/2" @ \$4.50

\_\_\_\_\_ Red 7" @ \$9.50

\_\_\_\_\_ White 4 1/2" @ \$4.50

\_\_\_\_\_ White 7" @ \$9.50

\_\_\_\_\_ Pink 4 1/2" @ \$4.50

\_\_\_\_\_ Pink 7" @ \$9.50

\_\_\_\_\_ Salmon 4 1/2" @ \$4.50

\_\_\_\_\_ Salmon 7" @ \$9.50

\_\_\_\_\_ Assorted 10" Combo hanging baskets @ \$16

\_\_\_\_\_ Total

Name \_\_\_\_\_