

FAMILY FUN DAY!

Today at 11:30 a.m., the Mitchell's
will host a family church picnic
at their dairy farm
located on 11539 Edwardsville Rd.

There will be food, fun, and games!

The PW women will furnish the food,
you provide your own seating.

There will also be a tour of the dairy
farm for those who are interested.

If you have any questions please call:
Judy Mitchell at 815-335-2403

First Presbyterian Church
Winnebago, Illinois
August 6, 2017
9:30 a.m.

Liturgical color is green for Ordinary Time

PREPARING FOR THE WORD

Prelude

Welcome/Announcements

Call To Worship: from Psalm 50; Luke 1:78 **Unison Reading**
From the rising of the sun ... God speaks, calling out to the earth.
At the beginning of each new day ... God speaks, calling us to life
and service. Even with the setting sun ... God speaks, reminding
us that we are not alone. As we gather for worship this morning
God speaks, inviting us to love others as Christ loves them. We
praise the Lord this morning and desire to learn of God's
pathway! Amen, Amen.

*Hymn “They’ll Know We Are Christians By Our Love” insert

Call to Confession: **Unison prayer**
I enter your courts with praise and thanksgiving and humbly ask
that you wash me with your mercy and cleanse me with your
forgiveness. Transform my heart so that I can display your
goodness and allow me to be an instrument of your love and grace.
In Christ’s name I pray. Amen.

Announcements

Our Church Website: <http://www.thewfpc.org>

All groups meet at the church unless otherwise specified.

Pastor Carroll will be available Monday and Tuesday afternoons this week. His email is: pastor1@thewfpc.org

Session will meet on Monday at 7 p.m.

Newsletter deadline All articles and figures are due by Wednesday.

Rockford Rescue Mission Our night to serve is this Friday at 6 p.m. If you are interested please call the church office.

Wanted: As summer slips away, we begin preparations for the upcoming Sunday school year. Many of our dedicated teachers are returning and we are very thankful! We know that everyone has many demands so we would love to have co-teachers in each class. As a co-teacher you only need to teach every other Sunday, we are in need of 6 co-teachers. Call Stacy Weavel if you are interested at 815-289-7686. I think you will find it fulfilling and rewarding.

Summer music Labor Day Sunday is still open for special music.

FAMILY FUN DAYS: Last call to host a Fun Day in August. Would you like to host one? Call: Brian Weavel 815-543-1065.

CWS Kits Program is doing well. As of this note, 30 school kits have been completed; several have a good start. 2 Hygiene kits are complete, several more are in need only one item. 1 clean-up bucket is complete and 3 more are started. Each kit is marked with the items that are needed to complete it. Your contributions are greatly appreciated.

Assurance of Pardon:

Unison Reading

In faith, I receive the mercy and forgiveness that only the Lord can grant. I will delight in the love of God and I will praise Jesus for His sacrifice. Thank you Lord for giving me my pardon from sin. In Christ's Holy name I pray. Amen.

*Gloria Patri #579

Apostles Creed pg. 14

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer concluding with The Lord's Prayer

Special music "Humble and Kind" Lori McKenna

*Hymn "Just As I Am, Without One Plea" #370

Presentation of Gifts and Offerings

*Doxology #592

*Prayer of Dedication

Unison prayer

Precious Savior, we are thankful for all that you have generously given to us. Bless these gifts so that your message of love and hope is shared with those that need to know you as Savior. In your holy name we pray, Amen.

Passing of the Peace

RECEIVING THE WORD

Scripture: Genesis 1:1 - 2 pg. 1

Message: "Pathway of Truth Series: In the Beginning"
Dr. Carroll Smith

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

Leader: Gracious God, we approach you with joy in our hearts because we are able to approach the Lord's Table and share in Holy Communion. Please accept our great appreciation as we celebrate our spiritual freedom and liberty in Christ with the church universal. It is wonderful to know that everyone who believes in Christ as Savior has been set free from the bondage of sin and is invited to dine at the Lord's Table. This morning we celebrate Holy Communion with our hearts filled with joy as we follow our Lord's example and show the world that we proclaim Jesus as our redeemer.

Unison: We partake of the bread and cup with hearts filled with gratitude because Christ loves us exceedingly and has made us worthy through the brokenness of His body and the shedding of His Blood. We ask that our celebration of Holy Communion at the Lord's Table will give glory and honor to Christ and His Church as we demonstrate the depth of His wondrous love, unlimited mercy, and boundless grace.

Blessing of the Bread and Cup

Receiving of the Holy Communion coming forward

Prayer after Communion:

Unison Prayer

Gracious Lord, thank you for making us worthy to dine at the Lord's Table through your love, mercy, and grace. Your holy sacrifice has allowed us to share in Holy Communion with all of God's children. Please continue to bless us so that we are steadfast in our daily walk with you. In your holy name we pray, Amen.

*Hymn "Lord Make Us More Holy" #536

Benediction
Postlude

All music in our bulletin is protected under CCLI#1409680

Church phone number	815-335-2051
Pastoral Cell	815-742-7503
Attendance	42
Offerings	\$1521.00

SHARING THE WORD THROUGHOUT THE WORLD

Every member a minister...

Accompanist	Michelle West
Special music	Rick Carr
Projectionist	Kaleigh Freimuth
Ushers	Jim Mitchell, Dave Nichols, Chuck Rittmeyer
Acolytes	Grace & Joe Erb

Looking ahead...

September 10 - Rally Sunday



*Flowers today are sponsored by Judy Mitchell
in honor of Matt & Thessa's Anniversary*

119 They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love

By this shall all men know...if ye have love one to another: John 13:35

PETER SCHOLTES

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Unison

1. We are one in the Spir-it, we are one in the Lord, We are
 2. We will walk with each oth-er, we will walk hand in hand, We will
 3. We will work with each oth-er, we will work side by side, We will
 4. All praise to the Fa-ther, from whom all things come, And all

one in the Spir-it, we are one in the Lord, And we pray that all
 walk with each oth-er, we will walk hand in hand, And to- geth- er we'll
 work with each oth-er, we will work side by side, And we'll guard each man's
 praise to Christ Je- sus, His on- ly Son, And all praise to the

Refrain

u - ni - ty may one day be re - stored:
 spread the news that God is in our land: And they'll know we are Chris-tians
 dig - ni - ty and save each man's pride:
 Spir - it, who makes us one:

by our love, by our love, Yes, they'll know we are Chris-tians by our love.