

# Lenten Soup Suppers & Services

The church will offer  
Wednesday Lenten Soup Suppers  
and worship services



Wednesday, February 28  
5:30 p.m. Soup supper and 6:30 p.m. service

A free will offering will be taken,  
donations will go to the One Great Hour of Sharing.

## **Additional dates:**

March 7 - Community service at the Evangelical Church

Wednesday, March 14  
Maundy Thursday, March 29

First Presbyterian Church  
Winnebago, Illinois  
February 25, 2018  
10:30 a.m.

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Liturgical color purple is for the season of penitence & preparation

**PREPARING FOR THE WORD**

Prelude "There Is a Green Hill Far Away" Lani Smith

Welcome/Announcements

Call to Worship: from Psalm 23 **Responsive Reading**

Leader: The Lord is my shepherd and I gather this morning to honor my Savior and to worship him with joy.

**People: He refreshes my heart and soul so I am able to follow Christ as He guides me in His holy pathways. My heart overflows with the Lord's goodness and love as I offer Christ's mercy and grace to all I meet daily.**

**Unison: I enter the Lord's house with rejoicing and will worship the Lord this morning with singing and praise! Amen.**

\*Hymn "Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty" #482

Call to Confession: **Unison Prayer**  
**Merciful Creator, please forgive me of all my wrongdoings through your mercy and loving kindness. Please cleanse my heart so that I can share your love and grace. In the holy name of Jesus we pray. Amen.**

**Announcements**

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

All groups meet at the church unless otherwise specified.

**Spring devotionals** are now available, and located on the table in the narthex.

**Pastor Carroll** is in the office on Monday morning and Wednesday afternoon. His email is: [pastor1@thewfpc.org](mailto:pastor1@thewfpc.org)

**Chicks with Sticks** will meet on Tuesday at the home of Barb Whitney starting at 7 p.m.

**Workcampers** are selling Anna's Bucks again this year. Please see Jake Smith, Logan Gray, or Barb Whitney.

**Remember or honor loved ones** by sponsoring flowers and/or bulletins. Sign up sheets are on the bulletin board. Bulletins are \$20 / Flowers are \$15 (1) or \$25 (2) arrangement(s).

**Looking ahead...**

February 28 - Lenten Soup Supper & Service

Church phone number 815-335-2051  
 Pastoral Cell 815-742-7503  
 Attendance 71  
 Offerings \$1514.00

2018 per capita is \$36.34 per member, collected to date \$1459.83

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## SESQUICENTENNIAL POTLUCK DINNER

LET THE CELEBRATION BEGIN!

SUNDAY, MARCH 18, 2018  
 FOLLOWING CHURCH SERVICE

Meat dishes and beverages will be provided.

Members of the congregation  
 are asked to bring salads or desserts.  
 Please bring your own table service and a tablecloth.



*Reservations may be made by calling*

Bev Samsel at 815-335-2892 or Marian Pedrick at 815-335-2457

**Reservation deadline: March 16**

Assurance of Pardon: **Unison Reading**  
**With great delight, I offer my praise to the Lord for His loving grace. Through wondrous mercy I am made pure and holy in Christ. I give glory and honor to my Savior for my forgiveness and pardon. In the Lord's holy name, Amen.**

\*Gloria Patri #579

Sharing of Joys and Concerns  
 Unison Prayer concluding with the Lord's Prayer  
**Wondrous Savior, we give you thanks for the many blessings and joys that you provide us. Along with the joys for which we are so appreciative, we bring our concerns to you because your holy word tells us that we are to place our cares and burdens before you. Precious Lord, you have heard the concerns and we ask for your healing touch to bring recovery from illness, sadness, grieve, and pain. Encourage us through your Holy Spirit so that we can receive your love, comfort, mercy, and grace. We are sincerely grateful for your goodness in our lives and that is why we pray as you taught your disciples to pray...**

Puppet Show

Presentation of Gifts and Offerings  
 "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross" Robert Lau  
 \*Doxology #592

\*Prayer of Dedication **Unison prayer**  
**Dear loving Savior, thank you for being able to worship you this morning. We give our gifts, offerings, and tithing in appreciation for the many rich blessings that you have given to us. Please give us wisdom to properly invest in your kingdom and spread the good news of love, mercy, and grace. Allow our talents, skills, and time to be a blessing to others for the glory of your name. In Jesus name we pray, Amen.**

\*Hymn "I've Got Peace Like A River" #368

Passing of the Peace

**RECEIVING THE WORD**

Scripture: James 2:8 pg. 1229

Message: Smile, Mission Undercover is Complete--  
Straight from the Heart

Dr. Carroll Smith

**RESPONDING TO THE WORD**

\*Hymn "God Be With You Till We Meet Again" insert

Benediction Unison Reading

**Most gracious God, thank you for granting me the gift of eternal life. As I continue my journey through this Lenten season I ask you to renovate my heart and place Christ first. Let it be said of me that I gave you glory in my daily living through the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen.**

Postlude "Postlude on 'St. Dunstan's'" Douglas Wagner

All music in our bulletin is protected under CCLI#1409680

**SHARING THE WORD THROUGHOUT THE WORLD**

*Every member a minister...*

Accompanist	Karen Niemeier
Projectionist	Rachel Rittmeyer
Puppeteers	The Junior High Sunday school class
Ushers	Jim & Rita Mitchell, Chuck Rittmeyer
Greeters	Brian & Stacy Weavel
Acolytes	Grace & Joe Erb

**God Be With You Till We Meet Again**

Words: Jeremiah E. Rankin, 1880

Music: William G. Tomer, 1882

1. God be with you till we meet a - gain! By His coun - sels  
 2. God be with you till we meet a - gain! Neath His wings pro -  
 3. God be with you till we meet a - gain! When life's per - ils  
 4. God be with you till we meet a - gain! Keep love's ban - ner

guide, up - hold you, With His sheep se - cure - ly fold you.  
 tect - ing hide you, Dai - ly man - na still pro - vide you.  
 thick con - found you, Put His arms un - fail - ing round you.  
 float - ing o'er you; Smite death's threat - ning wave be - fore you.

God be with you till we meet a - gain! Till we meet \_\_\_! Till we

meet! Till we meet at Je - sus' feet; Till we

meet \_\_\_! Till we meet! God be with you till we meet a - gain!

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