

Looking ahead...

July 22 - Church picnic at the Mitchell farm

Church phone number	815-335-2051
Pastoral Cell	815-742-7503
Attendance	58
Offerings	\$1650.00

Our Mission Statement

To be a community of believers
that love and follow God,
love and support others,
and offer Jesus Christ to the world.

Our vision statement is posted in the lower hallway.

First Presbyterian Church
Winnebago, Illinois
July 15, 2018
9:30 a.m.

Liturgical color is green for Ordinary Time

PREPARING FOR THE WORD

Prelude “Jesus, The Very Thought Of Thee” Cindy Berry

Welcome/Announcements/Did You Know...

Call to Worship: from Psalm 108 **Responsive Reading**

Leader: My heart is confident in you, O God; no wonder I can sing your praises with all my heart! I will wake the dawn with my song.

People: I will thank you, LORD, among all the people. I will sing your praises because your unfailing love is higher than the heavens. Your faithfulness reaches to the clouds.

Leader: Be exalted, O God, above the highest heavens. Let your glory shine over all the earth.

Unison: I enter this worship service with rejoicing in my heart and I have come to worship the Lord with singing and praise. Amen.

*Hymn “To God Be the Glory” #485



CHURCH PICNIC

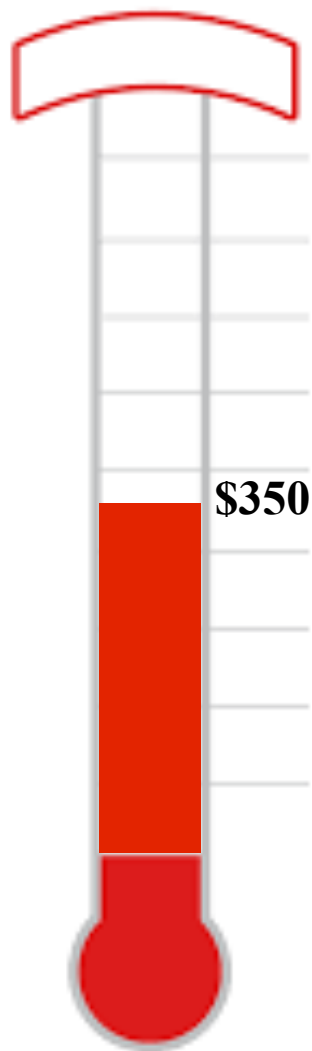
Please join us for our annual Church Picnic following service on July 22nd on the Mitchell Farm located at 11539 Edwardsville Road.

PW will provide the food!
We will have games, music, etc.

If you play a musical instrument, please join the “orchestra” for some good, old-time hymns and a sing-a-long.

Please bring your lawn chair.

Everyone is welcome!



OUR GOAL
\$836

**THANK
YOU!**

PW's goal is to raise \$836

This will purchase items to fill 2 clean up buckets and 40 hygiene kits and pay for them to be processed.

Call to Confession: **Unison Prayer**
Loving and merciful Savior, please forgive me of all my transgressions and allow me to be clean and holy in your sight. Purify my heart so that I can share the light of salvation to those that live in spiritual darkness. In your wonderful name I pray. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon: **Unison Reading**
With great delight, I accept the Savior's promise of mercy and grace. Through Christ's wondrous mercy I am made pure and have freedom from sin. In faith, I accept the Lord's mercy, forgiveness, pardon, and love. In the holy name of Christ I pray. Amen.

*Gloria Patri #579

Special Music "Blessings" Laura Story

Sharing of Joys and Concerns
 Unison Prayer concluding with The Lord's Prayer
We give thanks to the Lord for the blessings and joys that we have been given. Our lives have been enriched because of God's love and grace. Loving Savior, we have presented our concerns to you with faith and confidence because you promised to hear us and answer us when we petitioned you with the concerns of life. That is why we pray as you taught your disciples to pray...

Presentation of Gifts and Offerings
 "O Thou Fount Of Every Blessing" Lorie Line

*Doxology #592

*Prayer of Dedication **Unison prayer**
Heavenly Creator, we offer these gifts and offerings with hearts filled with joy. Assist us to be generous and courageous in declaring the good news of Christ with others through our time, skills, and talents. In Christ's name we pray, Amen.

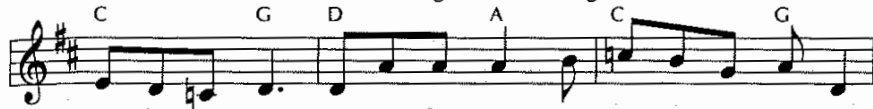
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Gather Us In



1 Here in this place the new light is stream-ing; now is the dark-ness
 2 We are the young, our lives are a mys-tery. We are the old who
 3 Here we will take the wine and the wa-ter; here we will take the
 4 Not in the dark of build-ings con-fin-ing, not in some heav-en,



van-ished a-way; see in this space our fears and our dream-ings
 yearn for your face. We have been sung through-out all of his-tory,
 bread of new birth. Here you shall call your sons and your daugh-ters,
 light years a-way: here in this place the new light is shin-ing;



brought here to you in the light of this day.
 called to be light to the whole hu-man race.
 call us a-new to be salt for the earth.
 now is the king-dom, and now is the day.



Gath-er us in, the lost and for-sak-en; gath-er us in, the
 Gath-er us in, the rich and the haugh-ty; gath-er us in, the
 Give us to drink the wine of com-pas-sion; give us to eat the
 Gath-er us in and hold us for-ev-er; gath-er us in and



blind and the lame; call to us now, and we shall a-wak-en;
 proud and the strong; give us a heart, so meek and so low-ly;
 bread that is you; nour-ish us well, and teach us to fash-ion
 make us your own; gath-er us in, all peo-ples to-geth-er,



we shall a-rise at the sound of our name.
 give us the cour-age to en-ter the song.
 lives that are ho-ly and hearts that are true.
 fire of love in our flesh and our bone.

The "you/your" mentioned in every stanza is never identified, but this 1979 hymn is clearly a corporate prayer to God on behalf of the diverse congregation who have assembled for worship, longing to be transformed and used as God's witnesses and for God's purposes.

Announcements

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

All groups meet at the church unless otherwise specified.

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

Ruth Circle will meet on Tuesday at the church at 11 a.m. to carpool to Stockholm Inn, we will have lunch about 11:30 a.m.

Consider sharing your musical talent by signing up to provide special music this summer! All ages welcome! The signup schedule is posted on the bulletin board, or contact the office.

The Sesquicentennial Committee would like your help! We are in need of any pictures you may have from church occasions. Please email them to Phyllis Hogberg at trumpetms@yahoo.com

The Sesquicentennial Committee would like your help in updating our history. Share your special memories that occurred at the church? Contact Jill Sunday with your info

*Hymn “Here in This Place” insert

Passing of the Peace

RECEIVING THE WORD

Scripture: Proverbs 3:5 – 8 pg. 650

Message: “Attaining Clear Vision in a Cloudy Generation”
Dr. Carroll Smith

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

*Hymn “Give Me Jesus” insert

Benediction **Unison Reading**
May the God of Peace continue to give my heart confidence to sing the praises of the Lord. May the songs of my heart exalt the Savior’s love, mercy, and grace. I leave this worship service with rejoicing in my heart and I go to share my joy with others. Amen.

Postlude “Immortal, Invisible” Gerald Peterson
All music in our bulletin is protected under CCLI#1409680

SHARING THE WORD THROUGHOUT THE WORLD

Every member a minister...

Accompanist Dixie Leden
Special music Lisa Mitchell
Projectionist Renee Rittmeyer
Ushers Greg & Chuck Rittmeyer
Greeters Roger Christin, Norm Dean

“Give Me Jesus”

Verse 1:

In the morning when I rise,
In the morning when I rise,
In the morning when I rise,
Give me Jesus. **(chorus)**

Chorus:

Give me Jesus,
Give me Jesus,
You may have all the rest,
Give me Jesus.

Verse 2:

Dark midnight was my cry,
Dark midnight was my cry,
Dark midnight was my cry,
Give me Jesus. **(chorus)**

Verse 3:

Just about the break of day,
Just about the break of day,
Just about the break of day,
Give me Jesus. **(chorus)**

Verse 4:

Oh, when I come to die,
Oh, when I come to die,
Oh, when I come to die,
Give me Jesus. **(chorus)**