

## **Announcements**

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

All groups meet at the church unless otherwise specified.

**Pastor Carroll** will be available Wednesday and Thursday mornings this week. His email is: [pastor1@thewfpc.org](mailto:pastor1@thewfpc.org)

The church offices will be closed on Tuesday, July 4.

**Youth Group** will meet on Thursday, July 13. Jr. High 6-7 p.m. All youth 7-8 p.m. for pizza and a project. 8-10 p.m. High school and college youth.

**Summer music** There are still openings for summer special music. Musicians of all ages can sign-up on the summer music calendar on the bulletin board and/or call Michelle West.

**FAMILY FUN DAYS** are back! Have an idea for one? Would you like to host one? Call: Brian Weavel 815-543-1065.

**CWS Kits Program** will begin this weekend and continue through Rally Sunday. Our challenge is 25 School Kits, 10 Hygiene Kits, and 2 Clean-up Buckets. Kit flyers are on the table in the hall, these have changed since last year. Note cards have also been posted on the bulletin board. Your contributions to this program are appreciated. Let's see if we can exceed the goal like we did last year.

First Presbyterian Church  
Winnebago, Illinois  
July 2, 2017  
9 :30 a.m.

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Liturgical color is green for Ordinary Time

**PREPARING FOR THE WORD**

Prelude

Welcome/Announcements

Pledge of Allegiance to the Christian & American Flags **Unison**  
**I pledge allegiance to the Christian flag, and to the Saviour for whose Kingdom it stands; one Saviour, crucified, risen, and coming again with life and liberty for all who believe.**

**I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one Nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.**

Call To Worship: **Unison Reading**  
**Give praise to the Lord, proclaim his name; make known among the nations what he has done. Sing to him, sing praise to him; tell of all his wonderful acts. Glory in his holy name; let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice. This morning we come to worship the Lord singing and praise, and we enter this worship service with rejoicing in our hearts. Amen.**

\*Hymn

“God Bless America”

insert

**“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**)

\*Hymn "Give Me Jesus" insert

Benediction

Postlude

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	82
Offerings	\$1236.00

SHARING THE WORD THROUGHOUT THE WORLD

*Every member a minister...*

Accompanist / Choir Director	Michelle West
Special Music	Bev Samsel
Projectionist	Rachel Rittmeyer
Ushers	Jim Mitchell, Dave Nichols, Chuck Rittmeyer
Greeters	Sue Jansen, Mary Lee
Acolytes	Grace & Joe Erb

*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).*

# GOD BLESS AMERICA

Arranged by Wm. C. Schoenfeld

IRVING BERLIN

Marchiale Fmaj7 F0 C7 Gm7 C7

God bless A - mer - i - ca, Land that I  
love, Stand be - side her and guide her  
Thru the night with a light from a - bove. From the  
moun - tains to the prai - ries, To the o - ceans white with  
foam, God bless A - mer - i - ca, My  
home sweet home. home.

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Prayer of Confession: **Unison prayer**  
**Heavenly Creator, I am very thankful for your kindness and forgiveness. Please have mercy on me and forgive my sins. Cleanse me and make me holy in your sight so that my life is pleasing to you. In Christ's name I pray. Amen.**

Assurance of Pardon: **Unison Reading**  
**I am deeply thankful that God is merciful and forgives all my sins. I stand on the promises of God's Holy Word and I accept my forgiveness and pardon through the sacrifice of Jesus Christ my Lord. Also, I ask for spiritual strength through the power of the Holy Spirit so that I can live a holy life. In Christ's name I pray. Amen.**

\*Gloria Patri #579

Apostles Creed pg. 14

Sharing of Joys and Concerns  
Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

Special music "To a Lily" William Hodson

\*Hymn "For the Beauty of the Earth" #473

Presentation of Gifts and Offerings

\*Doxology #592

\*Prayer of Dedication **Unison prayer**  
**Wondrous Savior, you are worthy of all our praise. Thank you for the opportunity to worship you through our gift giving. Help us to bless others through our time, skills, and talents so that they may see your love in our lives. In Christ's name we pray, Amen.**

Passing of the Peace

## RECEIVING THE WORD

Scripture: Luke 4:18; 2 Corinthians 3:17; Ephesians 3:12

pg. 1046; 1177; 1191

Message: "Sacrifice, Freedom, and Liberty"

Dr. Carroll Smith

## RESPONDING TO THE WORD

Leader: This wonderful Sunday before our nation's Independence Day celebration allows us to approach the Lord's Table with great appreciation because we can celebrate our spiritual freedom and liberty in Christ through Holy Communion with the church universal. 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 wondrous depth of His love, grace, and mercy.***

Blessing of the Bread and Cup

Receiving of the Holy Communion coming forward

Prayer after Communion:

**Unison Prayer**

**Gracious Lord, thank you for your love, grace, and mercy. Your holy sacrifice enables us to share in Holy Communion with all of God's children. Please continue to bless us with your grace and keep us steadfast in our daily walk with you. In Jesus name we pray, Amen.**