

First Presbyterian Church
Winnebago, Illinois
March 20, 2016 Palm Sunday
10:30 a.m.

Announcements

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

Please keep in prayer:
Dee Swigart. Paula Price.

Liturgical color purple is for the season of penitence & preparation

All groups meet at the church unless otherwise specified.

PREPARING FOR THE WORD

Prelude "Think About His Love" Mark Hayes

Office hours for Pastor Carroll are Tuesday and Wednesday from 2-6 p.m. His email is: pastor1@thewfpc.org

Welcome/Announcements

Deacons will meet on Tuesday at 6:30 p.m.

Call to Worship **Unison Reading**
Sing a new song to the Lord! Let the whole earth sing to the Lord! Sing to the Lord; praise his name. Each day proclaim the good news that he saves. Publish his glorious deeds among the nations. Tell everyone about the amazing things he does. Great is the Lord! He is most worthy of praise! He is to be feared above all gods. The gods of other nations are mere idols, but the Lord made the heavens! Honor and majesty surround him; strength and beauty fill his sanctuary.

Chicks with Sticks will meet on Tuesday at 7 p.m. at Ann Fuller's home. If you like to knit or crochet, please join us.

*Hymn "Hosanna, Loud Hosanna" #89

Choir will not meet on Wednesday, *instead* you will meet on Thursday at 5:30 p.m. before the Maundy Thursday service.

Prayer of Confession: **Unison Prayer**
Merciful Lord, we confess the transgressions that we made this past week. We ask for your kindness and forgiveness for our failures. Renew us with your love and grace through your Holy Spirit. We make our request in the name of your son Jesus. Amen.

2016 Per capita is \$35.66 per member. \$2182.75 collected to date.

Help I need a few more volunteers to help with the monthly newsletter. Call Betsy Menge at 815-964-2683.

Survey mailings are still being accepted.

Workcampers are selling shares (\$10 ea.) for their mission trip to Elizabeth City, NC. Shareholders receive a postcard from campers and an invitation to our shareholder dinner where campers will share camp experiences and photos. You may purchase shares from campers at church, or through Barb Whitney. Thanks to our church family for their continued support of our mission trip.

Lenten Soup Suppers & Services

Join us this week for our final Lenten Soup Supper and service.

March 23, from 5:30-7 p.m. - Pastor Carroll

March 24 - Maundy Thursday - Pastor Claire / Choir
at 6:30 p.m. (service only)



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

Looking ahead...

March 27 - SonRise Service at 7 a.m. - Pastor Claire

March 27 - Men's Breakfast after the SonRise service

March 27 - Easter Service at 10:30 a.m. - Pastor Carroll / Choir

Assurance of Pardon:

Unison Reading

The promises of God's Holy Word share that Christ died for our transgressions. He made full atonement to the Father and we are forgiven. We are His beloved children that are made clean through the sacrifice of Jesus. In faith, I accept His pardon. Amen.

*Gloria Patri

#579

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer concluding with The Lord's Prayer

*Hymn

"Ride On! Ride On in Majesty"

#90

Presentation of Gifts and Offerings

"There Is a Redeemer"

Phillip Keveren

*Doxology

#592

*Prayer of Dedication

Unison Prayer

Precious Savior, thank you for your wonderful blessings. In obedience to your Holy Word we offer our tithes, gifts, and offerings to you. Help us to be generous in our financial giving as well as in giving of our time and effort so that you may receive glory through the generosity we share with others in our community. In Christ's Holy Name we pray, Amen.

Passing of the Peace

RECEIVING THE WORD

Scripture:

Mark 11:1 - 11

pg. 1031

Message:

"Preparing for a Brighter Future"

Dr. Carroll Smith

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

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

Benediction Unison Prayer
Heavenly Creator, help us to awaken to the beauty and love of Jesus in giving us eternal life. Allow this season to help us reset our priorities and place Christ first. Let it be said of us that we allowed the Lord to transform us so that we can go forth and help others see the God of our Salvation. In Christ's name, Amen.

Postlude "Give Thanks" Henry Smith

All music in our bulletin is protected under CCLI#1409680

Church phone number	815-335-2051
Pastoral Cell	815-742-7503
Attendance	82
Offerings	\$2391.29

SHARING THE WORD THROUGHOUT THE WORLD

Every member a minister...

Accompanist / Choir Director	Michelle West
Projectionist	Kaitlyn Freimuth
Ushers	Chuck Rittmeyer and volunteers
Greeters	Norm Dean, Roger Christin
Acolytes	Renee Rittmeyer, Riley Starkey

God Be With You Till We Meet Again

Words: Jeremiah E. Rankin, 1880

Music: William G. Turner, 1882

1. God be with you till we meet a - gain! By His coun - sels
 God be with you till we meet a - gain! Neath His wings pro -
 God be with you till we meet a - gain! When life's per - ils
 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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