

Church phone number	815-335-2051
Pastoral Cell	815-742-7503
Attendance	101
Offerings	\$2140.70

2018 per capita is \$36.34 **per member**, collected to date \$1750.21

SHARING THE WORD THROUGHOUT THE WORLD

Every member a minister...

Accompanist	Karen Niemeier
Projectionist	Renee Rittmeyer
Ushers	Jim & Rita Mitchell, Chuck Rittmeyer
Greeters	Joyce Hanson, Jan Merchant
Acolytes	Charlotte Maher, Riley Starkey



*Palm branches today are sponsored by:
The Worship committee for Palm Sunday*

*Bulletins today are sponsored by:
Karen Niemeier in memory of:
Bob & Carol Schmoock*

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

Liturgical color purple is for the season of penitence & preparation

PREPARING FOR THE WORD

Prelude "Ride On!" John Dykes

Welcome/Announcements

Call to Worship: from Psalm 111 **Responsive Reading**
Leader: Praise the LORD. I will extol the LORD with all my heart
in the council of the upright and in the assembly.

**People: Great are the works of the LORD; they are pondered
by all who delight in them. Glorious and majestic are his
deeds, and his righteousness endures forever. ...the LORD is
gracious and compassionate.**

Leader: The works of his hands are faithful and just; all his
precepts are trustworthy. They are established forever and ever,
enacted in faithfulness and uprightness.

**People: He provided redemption for his people; he ordained
his covenant forever—holy and awesome is his name.**

**Unison: The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom; all
who follow his precepts have good understanding. To him
belongs eternal praise. Therefore, on this wondrous Palm
Sunday I will offer praises to Lord with my whole heart and I
will sing songs that give Christ honor and glory. Amen.**

Announcements

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

All groups meet at the church unless otherwise specified.

Pastor Carroll is in the office on Tuesday and Thursday evenings.
His email is: pastor1@thewfpc.org

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

Choir will not meet on Wednesday. We will have practice on
Thursday after the worship service.

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).

Sesquicentennial Celebrations If you know someone who grew up
attending The First Presbyterian and would like to attend some of our
Sesquicentennial events please notify Bev Samsel at:
bpsamsel@gmail.com, 815-335-2892 or 815-871-8969.

Looking ahead...

March 29 - Maundy Thursday Lenten Soup Supper & Service
April 1 - 7 a.m. SonRise Service / Men's breakfast
April 1 - Regular 10:30 a.m. Easter service

*Hymn

“Hosanna, Loud Hosanna”

#89

The Last Lenten Soup Supper & Service



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

Soup Supper starts at 5:30 p.m.
Worship service starts at 6:30 p.m.

Prayer of Confession:

Unison Prayer

Merciful Lord, I confess my transgressions and I ask for your kindness and forgiveness for my failures. Renew me with your love and grace through your Holy Spirit. I ask this in the name of Jesus. Amen.

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 that makes me holy and clean. In Jesus I pray, 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, grief, 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...

Presentation of Gifts and Offerings

“The Day of Palms”

Robert Hughes

*Doxology

#592

*Prayer of Dedication **Unison prayer**
Majestic and Wondrous Lord, you are worthy of all our praise. Thank you for your blessings and the opportunity to show our appreciation through our tithing, gifts, and offerings that we give cheerfully and generously. Please help us to show your love and grace to others through our time, skills, and talents. In Christ's name we pray, Amen.

*Hymn "Ride On! Ride On in Majesty!" #90

Passing of the Peace

RECEIVING THE WORD

Scripture: Matthew 21:8 -11 &15; Mark 11:9 - 10; John 12:13
pg. 1005; 1032; 1096

Message: "The Cheers will Fade but Son-Rise is Everlasting"
Dr. Carroll Smith

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

*Hymn "Give Me Jesus" insert

Benediction **Unison Reading**
As we leave this Palm Sunday service, we will endeavor to lift up our hearts and follow Christ faithfully. Let it be said of us during Holy Week that we shared the glory of the Lord through the power of the Holy Spirit in our daily living. Amen.

Postlude

"With Palms Before Him Went" D. Wagner
All music in our bulletin is protected under CCLI#1409680

"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)**