

First Presbyterian Church
Winnebago, Illinois
March 26, 2017
10:30 a.m.

Liturgical color purple is for the season of penitence & preparation

PREPARING FOR THE WORD

Prelude "Meditation on Power in the Blood" M. Williams

Welcome/Announcements

Call to Worship Unison Reading
I will give thanks to the Lord with all my heart. I will tell of all your wonderful deeds. I will be glad and rejoice in Jesus my Savior. I will offer praises to your name, O Most High. The Lord reigns forever and he rules the world in righteousness. Therefore, let us sing praises to the Lord and proclaim among the nations what he has done. This morning I enter into this worship service with joy in my heart so that I can offer praises to Him! Amen and Amen.

*Hymn "You Who Dwell in the Shelter of the Lord" insert

Prayer of Adoration and Confession: Unison Prayer
Heavenly Creator, I give you praise for your love, compassion, and mercy. I ask for your forgiveness for my faults and failures. Help me to be receptive to your Holy Spirit so that I can become more like Jesus my Savior in both words and actions. Please forgive and forget my wrongdoings so that I am holy in your sight. In Christ's name I pray, Amen.

Announcements

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

All groups meet at the church unless otherwise specified.

Pastor Carroll will be in the office Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons. His email is: pastor1@thewfpc.org

Chicks with Sticks will meet on Tuesday at April Haeflinger's home starting at 7 p.m.

Choir will not meet this week.

Lenten Service and Soup Suppers are this Wednesday and April 13. Soup Suppers start at 5:30 p.m., Lenten service starts at 6:30 p.m.

Anna's Bucks are available for \$10 each, see Kaitlyn or Kaleigh Freimuth, or Barb Whitney.

Remember or honor loved ones by sponsoring flowers and/or bulletins. Sign up sheets are on the bulletin board, or contact Susan Gambrel at 815-262-4626.

Looking ahead...

March 29 - Lenten Soup Supper and Service

April 2 - Choir

April 5 - Community Lenten service at the Evangelical Fellowship

April 9 - Palm Sunday / Children's choir

April 13 - Maundy Thursday Lenten Service

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

*Hymn "Give Me Jesus" insert

Benediction

Postlude "Postlude in G Minor" Lani Smith

All music in our bulletin is protected under CCLI#1409680

Church phone number 815-335-2051

Pastoral Cell 815-742-7503

Attendance 89

Offerings \$1282.60

2017 Per capita - \$36.11 per member, \$1928.40 to date.

SHARING THE WORD THROUGHOUT THE WORLD

Every member a minister...

Accompanist Karen Neimeier

Puppeteers The Sixth & Seventh Grade Sunday school class

Ushers Jim & Rita Mitchell, Chuck Rittmeyer

Greeters Greg & Lisa Rittmeyer

Acolytes Mitchel Cunningham, Thea Mitchell



Flowers and bulletins sponsored by Susan Gambrel in honor of Gene & Annie Gambrel's Anniversary

Assurance of Forgiveness and Pardon: **Unison Prayer**
The Holy Scriptures share that Christ's grace is sufficient and that God's mercy is everlasting. It is wonderful to know that Lord forgives and pardons freely. In Christ we have redemption and we are made holy by His grace. I give thanks for the guarantee of my forgiveness and pardon in Jesus name. Amen.

*Gloria Patri #579

Sharing of Joys and Concerns
Pastoral Prayer concluding with the Lord's Prayer

Puppet Show "The Story of Easter EGGactly"

*Hymn "Be Thou My Vision" #339

Presentation of Gifts and Offerings
*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.

Passing of the Peace

RECEIVING THE WORD

Scripture: Psalm 32:8; 1 Timothy 5:7; 21
2 Timothy 4:2; Zephaniah 3:17
pg. 572; 1209; 1213; 962

Message:
"Lent Helps to Cultivate and Nurture a Closer Walk with God's Son"
Dr. Carroll Smith

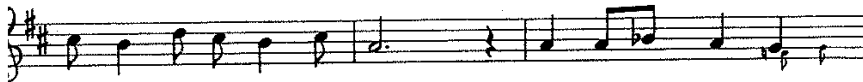
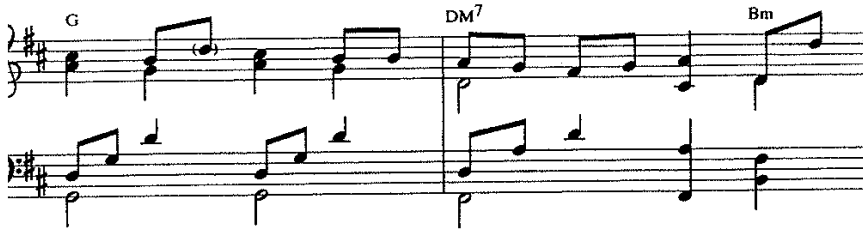
You Who Dwell in the Shelter of the Lord

On Eagle's Wings

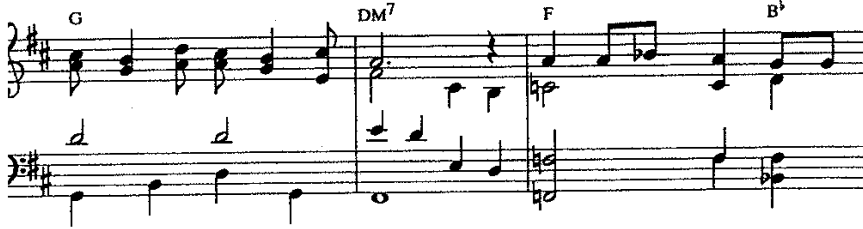
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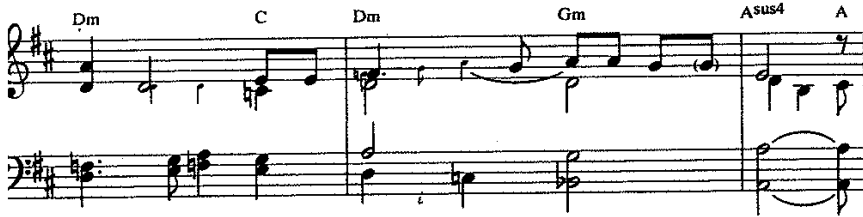
1 You who . . . dwell in the shel - ter of the Lord, who a -
 2 Snares of the fowl - er will nev - er cap - ture you, and
 3 For to the an - gels God's giv - en a com - mand to



bide in this shad - ow for life, say to the Lord "My . . .
 fam - ine will bring you no fear; un - der God's wings your . . .
 guard you in all of your ways; up - on their hands they will



ref - uge, . . . my . . . rock in whom I . . . trust!"
 ref - uge . . . with . . . faith - ful - ness your . . . shield.
 bear you up, lest you dash your foot a - gainst a stone.



"And I will raise you up on ea - gle's wings,



bear you on the breath of dawn, make you to shine like the



sun, and hold you in the palm of my hand."

“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)**

EASTER LILY SALE

The worship committee is selling Easter lilies for the cross in the sanctuary. These are beautiful double stemmed plants.

Turn orders into Susan Gambrel.

If you have any questions please call her at 815-262-4626.

Orders due are by April 10.

Name: _____

I would like to order _____ lily plant(s) @ \$16.50.

Total paid _____

Make Checks payable to: First Presbyterian Church

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