

2018 Memorials

Deaths of Members and Friends since Memorial Day 2017

Olive Elizabeth Butler November 9, 2017

Judith Loene Coots December 24, 2017

Jean Pauline Smith Meissen January 13, 2018

Carol Elaine Schmoock February 16, 2018

Grant Richard Runyard March 31, 2018

Dorothy Kay Case April 20, 2018

Delores Charlene Taylor April 25, 2018

Memorials to be dedicated today:

*Bibles for the 2018 Confirmation Class
in memory of Elaine Look*

*To live in hearts we leave behind is not to die...
Thomas Campbell*



Flowers today are sponsored by: Mary Lee

First Presbyterian Church
Winnebago, Illinois
May 27, 2018
10:30 a.m.

Liturgical color is white for the redemptive work of Jesus Christ

PREPARING FOR THE WORD

Prelude “Early in the Morning, Our Song Shall Rise to Thee”

Douglas Wagner

Pledge of Allegiance to the Christian Flag **Unison Reading**
**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.**

Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag

Welcome/Announcements/Did you know?

Call to Worship: from Psalm 150 **Unison Reading**
**Praise the LORD. Praise God in his sanctuary; praise him in
his mighty heavens. Praise him for his acts of power; praise
him for his surpassing greatness. Praise him with all your
heart... Let everything that has breath praise the Lord.
Therefore, I enter into this worship service with a joyful heart
and a receptive mind so that I can honor the Lord with
gladness and receive His wonderful blessings! Amen, Amen.**

*Hymn “O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing” #466

Announcements

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

All groups meet at the church unless otherwise specified.

The office will be closed of Monday for the holiday.

Just a reminder that next Sunday our worship service time changes to 9:30 a.m.

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

Summer Devotionals are now available on the table in the hallway.

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.

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.

The Sesquicentennial Committee would like your help in updating our history. Do you have any special memories that you could share, your wedding, a baptism or an event that occurred at the church? How long has your family (parents, grandparents) attended the church? Contact Jill Sunday with your information.

Looking ahead...

June 17 - Commissioning of the Workcampers, Father's Day

June 18-22 - Vacation Bible School

June 24-30 - Work Camp

Workcamp Shares 2018

Our team will be traveling to Greeley, CO from June 24 - 30. They will serve elderly, disabled and low income families by completing home repairs (painting, building wheelchair ramps, weatherizing etc).

At Workcamp, teenagers come together to serve individuals and communities while building strong, long-lasting relationships with their friends and youth leaders. Hundreds of teenagers from across the country repair and transform homes while growing closer to Jesus.

Workcamp Team: Julie Fry, Logan Gray, Dillon Melin,
Jake Smith and Barb Whitney.

Shareholders will receive a postcard from a camper and an invitation to our annual shareholders' dinner.

I would like to help sponsor the Workcamp team by purchasing

_____ Workcamp shares at \$10 a share.

_____ Total contribution

Name _____

Address _____

Please make checks payable to First TEAM.

Thanks for your support!

Barb Whitney, Workcamp Coordinator

Prayer of Confession:

Unison Reading

Glorious Creator, I enter your presence with adoration and gratitude. Please forgive my transgressions and show me your mercy and forgiveness so that I can be holy in your sight. Make me clean so that I can display your loving kindness to this wayward generation. In Jesus name I pray. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon:

Unison Reading

Loving Savior, I have sincerely asked for forgiveness and in faith I know that I am pardoned and I accept my forgiveness in your majestic name. Amen.

*Gloria Patri

#579

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

"O Day of Radiant Gladness"

Lani Smith

*Doxology

#592

*Prayer of Dedication

Unison prayer

Precious Lord, we are thankful for another opportunity to meet together to worship you. Gracious Creator, please bless these gifts and offerings today so that the good news of Christ will be liberally shared to a generation that needs to know you as Savior. In your name we pray, Amen

Dedication of Memorials Julie Nichols

*Hymn "Abide with Me" #543

Passing of the Peace

RECEIVING THE WORD

Scripture: Numbers 13:30-33; Luke 7:28 KJV; pg. 1052

Message: Maturity in Christ Series:
Although You Might Feel Small, God Views You as Great
Dr. Carroll Smith

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

*Hymn "Soon and Very Soon" Andrae Crouch

Soon and very soon we are going to see the King!
Soon and very soon we are going to see the King!
Soon and very soon we are going to see the King!
Hallelujah! Hallelujah! We are going to see the King!

No more crying there we are going to see the King!
No more crying there we are going to see the King!
No more crying there we are going to see the King!
Hallelujah! Hallelujah! We are going to see the King!

No more dying there we are going to see the King!
No more dying there we are going to see the King!
No more dying there we are going to see the King!
Hallelujah! Hallelujah! We are going to see the King!

Soon and very soon we are going to see the King!
Soon and very soon we are going to see the King!
Soon and very soon we are going to see the King!
Hallelujah! Hallelujah! We are going to see the King!

Benediction **Unison Blessing**
Heavenly Creator, we have experienced your wondrous blessings this morning and we give you honor and praise. Lord, as we go to our homes today, keep your loving protection upon us. And, in the days ahead, provide us opportunities to witness to others about today's celebration. Help us to spread your truth and bring glory to you. In Jesus name, Amen.

Postlude "With His Blessing" Chester Nordman

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SHARING THE WORD THROUGHOUT THE WORLD

Every member a minister...

Accompanist Karen Niemeier
Projectionist Rachel Rittmeyer
Ushers Jim & Rita Mitchell, Chuck Rittmeyer
Greeters Paul & April Haeflinger
Acolytes TBD

Church phone number 815-335-2051
Pastoral Cell 815-742-7503
Attendance/Offerings 63/\$1604.00

2018 per capita is \$36.34 **per member**, collected to date \$2169.23

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.