

First Presbyterian Church
Winnebago, Illinois
November 20, 2016
10:30 a.m.

Liturgical color is white for the redemptive work of Jesus Christ

PREPARING FOR THE WORD

Prelude

Introit "God Is So Good"

Welcome/Announcements

Call to Worship **Responsive Reading**

Leader: Shout with joy to the Lord, all the earth! Worship the Lord with gladness. Come before Him, singing with joy.

People: Acknowledge that the Lord is God! He made us, and we are His. We are His people, the sheep of His pasture.

Leader: Enter His gates with Thanksgiving; Go into His courts with praise.

People: Give thanks to Him and praise His name. For the Lord is good.

Leader: His unfailing love continues forever, And His faithfulness continues to each generation.

Unison: Therefore, I give praise to the Lord on this Thanksgiving Sunday and I offer worshipful gratitude so that the Lord will receive glory and honor. Amen and Amen.

Announcements

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

Please keep in prayer:

All groups meet at the church unless otherwise specified.

Pastor Carroll will in the office Tuesday morning. He will be available by phone as well. His email is: pastor1@thewfpc.org

Devotionals Winter editions of Our Daily Bread are now available on the table in the narthex.

Choir will not meet this week.

The church offices will be closed on Thursday & Friday for the Thanksgiving holiday.

Decorating!!! Today consider staying after the worship service to prepare the church for the Advent season. Your help would be greatly appreciated.

Anna's Bucks are available, they are \$10 each, see Barb Whitney.

Annual Cookie Walk & Mini Bazaar will be December 3. Each woman of the church is asked to provide a minimum 3 dozen homemade holiday cookies. Please have cookies and candy at the church on Thursday, December 1 between 3-5 p.m. or Friday, December 2 between 2:30-6 p.m. Questions? Contact: Avis Lind, Faye Reed, Marian Pedrick, Carol Meyers or Bev Barker.

The Session of First Presbyterian Church has called for a Special Congregational Meeting, today, following the worship service. The purpose of this meeting is for the election of officers.

“How Great Is Our God”

The splendor of the King, clothed in majesty,
Let all the earth rejoice, all the earth rejoice.
He wraps Himself in light, and darkness tries to hide,
And trembles at his voice, trembles at his voice. **(chorus)**

Chorus:

How great is our God, sing with me,
How great is our God, all with see,
How great, how great is our God.

Age to age He stands, and time is in His hands,
Beginning and the end, beginning and the end.
The Godhead, three in one: Father, Spirit, Son,
The Lion and the Lamb, The Lion and the Lamb **(chorus)**

Name above all names, worthy of all praise,
My heart will sing, how great is our God.
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My heart will sing, how great is our God.



*Flowers today are sponsored by Chuck & Avis Lind:
In memory of their friend Mary Kissack*

*Bulletins today are sponsored by Betsy Menge:
In memory of Clifford & Ethel Rood*

*Hymn “Now Thank We All Our God” #555

Call to Confession: **Unison Reading**
Merciful Savior, I enter your presence with appreciation and
gratefulness. Please grant me your compassion and forgive my
transgressions so that I can be holy in your presence. Make me
clean so that I can display kindness and thankfulness in my
daily walk with you. 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 forgiven and I offer sincere thankfulness
for my pardon from sin. In Jesus name, Amen.

*Gloria Patri #579

Anthem “Jubilate Fanfare”

Sharing of Joys and Concerns
Pastoral Prayer concluding with The Lord’s Prayer

*Hymn “How Great Is Our God” insert

Presentation of Gifts and Offerings

*Doxology #592

*Prayer of Dedication **Unison prayer**

Loving Creator, we are very grateful for another opportunity
to worship you. We know that your blessings are always given
to us with gracious love. Please help us to love you more each
day. Bless our gifts so that the good news of Christ will be
liberally shared in our community. In your name we pray,
Amen.

Passing of the Peace

RECEIVING THE WORD

Scripture: Job 3:26; Psalm 33:5; Colossians 3:15
pg. 520; 573; 1201

Message: "Full, Thankful, and Calm"
Dr. Carroll Smith

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

*Hymn "God Is So Good" insert

Benediction

Postlude
All music in our bulletin is protected under CCLI#1409680

Church phone number 815-335-2051
Pastoral Cell 815-742-7503
Attendance 105
Offerings \$1767.36

SHARING THE WORD THROUGHOUT THE WORLD

Every member a minister...

Accompanist / Choir Director Michelle West
Projectionist Kaitlyn Freimuth
Ushers Volunteers and Chuck Rittmeyer
Greeters Cindy & Michelle Erb
Acolytes Mikayla & Isabelle Gray

God Is So Good

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1 God is so good; God is so good;
2 God cares for me; God cares for me;
3 God loves me so; God loves me so;
4 God is so good; God is so good;

God is so good; God's so good to me.
God cares for me; God's so good to me.
God loves me so; God's so good to me.
God is so good; God's so good to me.

The exact origins of this chorus celebrating God's providential care are not clear, but it seems to have arisen during the 1970s. Because the text changes so little, the slowly rising four-note pattern of the tune provides the primary source of energy within its five-note range.

Looking ahead...

November 24 - Happy Thanksgiving
November 27 - Puppeteers
December 4 - Ordination and Installation of 2016 officers

POINSETTIA SALE

The Worship Committee is taking orders for poinsettias to add beauty to our sanctuary during the Christmas season. They will be on display December 11-18 and may be taken home after the worship service on December 18.

Orders due by December 4

Return completed form and payment to April Haeflinger. If you have questions call April at 815-979-0492.



_____ Poinsettia(s) @ \$12.50 each

_____ Red _____ White _____ Pink

_____ Total - *Make checks payable to: First Presbyterian Church*

Given by: _____

In Memory/Honor of: _____

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First Presbyterian's Annual Christmas Cookie & Candy Walk & Mini-Bazaar

*Saturday, December 3rd
9:00 a.m. to Noon*

*Your choice of delicious homemade
Christmas cookies and candy*

Gifts from our mini-bazaar

Cookies - \$5.00 per lb.

Candy - \$4.00 per ½ lb.

Join us for a cup of coffee and fellowship!

*Sponsored by
The Presbyterian Women*

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