

First Presbyterian Church
Winnebago, Illinois
September 27, 2015
10:30 a.m.

PREPARING FOR THE WORD

Prelude “Come, Now Is the Time to Worship” Mark Kellner

Welcome/Announcements

Call to Worship

Unison Reading

Worship the Lord in the splendor of his holiness; tremble before him, all the earth. Say among the nations, “The Lord reigns.” The world is firmly established, it cannot be moved; he will judge the peoples with equity. Let the heavens rejoice, let the earth be glad; let the sea resound, and all that is in it. Let the fields be jubilant, and everything in them; let all the trees of the forest sing for joy. Let all creation rejoice before the Lord, for he comes, he comes to judge the earth. He will judge the world in righteousness and the peoples in his faithfulness.

*Hymn “God, Who Stretched the Spangled Heavens” #268

Prayer of Confession: The Lord’s Prayer

Assurance of Pardon:

Unison reading

In obedience to the Lord, I have confessed my failings and I have requested mercy and forgiveness. By faith in God's Holy Word and through the sacrifice of Jesus my Savior, I accept my pardon and the assurance of His loving grace. In Jesus Name. Amen.

*Gloria Patri

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Announcements

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

Our Prayer request email: first-pres-prayer@googlegroups.com (prayer request cards are now available on the table in the narthex)

Please keep in prayer:

Dee Swigart. Paula Price.

All groups meet at the church unless otherwise specified.

Office hours for Pastor Carroll will be Tuesday a.m. and Thursday. His email is: pastor1@thewfpc.org

Chancel Choir will meet on Wednesday at 7 p.m.

Shareholder dinner The Workcamp shareholder dinner will be this evening starting at 6 p.m. All High school youth are invited to attend in addition to the shareholders, this will be a Youth group event.

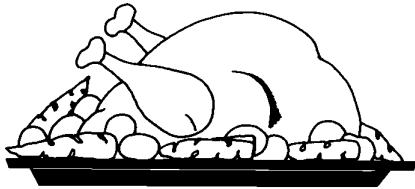
Housecleaning The ladies of the church will be cleaning the kitchen and Fellowship Hall in preparation for the Turkey Dinner. Monday - Wednesday, October 5-7 starting at 9 a.m. Everyone should bring a sack lunch. Your help is **greatly** needed even if just for an hour or two!

Fall Bazaar Are you crafty? Do you like to bake? Then we need you! Donations are needed for the Fall Bazaar that runs in combination with our famous Turkey Dinner. If you have any questions call Shirley Burkhart at 815-335-2276.

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 \$30 (2) arrangement(s).

**ANNUAL TURKEY DINNER
AND
FALL BAZAAR**

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 17



SEATINGS AT 5-6-7 P.M.

Dinner includes: Turkey, dressing, potatoes, gravy, veggie,
coleslaw, cranberry relish, roll,
pie & beverage

TICKET PRICES:

Adults (11+) \$9

Children (5-10) \$4

Children 4 and under are free

Carryouts available too!

For tickets call:

Shirley Burkhart 815-335-2276

Sue Jansen 815-335-2081

Betsy Menge 815-964-2683 Church office 815-335-2051

Tickets will be sold at church October 4 & 11

Join Us for Dinner, stay to shop...

Craft Bazaar and Bake Sale starts at 3 p.m.

Sharing of Joys and Concerns....concluding with a Unison prayer
**Gracious Savior, we appreciate this time that we can share our
joys and concerns. You have heard our joys for which we have
given thanks and You have accepted our concerns because
Your word promises that our petitions are welcome. In faith
we know that You are the answer and that Your Holy Spirit
will bring us love and healing. In Jesus name we pray, Amen.**

Puppet Show

*Hymn "Lord, I Need You" insert

Presentation of Gifts and Offerings
"Thy Word" Michael W. Smith

*Doxology #592

*Prayer of Dedication **Unison Prayer**
**Lord, we give special thanks to you for the opportunity to give
financially to You. We present these gifts, offerings, and tithes
so that Your good news can be heard by those that need to
know Your truth. Help us to awaken to our talents and skills
so that we can fulfill the great commission. In Jesus name we
pray, Amen.**

Passing of the Peace

RECEIVING THE WORD

Scripture: Galatians 5:22-23 pg. 1189

Message: "Light, Peace, Harmony, and Happiness"
Dr. Carroll Smith

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

*Hymn "Christ Be Beside Me" insert

Benediction **Unison Reading**
Today we worshipped our Lord and He blessed us with His Spirit, His Truth, and His Promises. Let us go into our community and help others see the God of our Salvation. In Christ's name, Amen.

Postlude “Indescribable” Laura Story

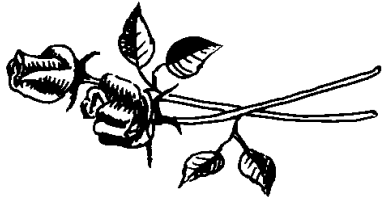
All music in our bulletin is protected under CCLI#1409680

Church phone number	815-335-2051
Pastoral Cell	815-742-7503
Attendance	81
Offerings	\$2194.00

SHARING THE WORD THROUGHOUT THE WORLD

Every member a minister...

Accompanist	Michelle West
Projectionist	Kaitlyn Freimuth
Ushers	Chuck & Greg Rittmeyer
Greeters	Lynn & Judie Coots
Acolytes	Jason Luna, Michael Cunningham



*Flowers today were provided by Hank & Sue Kaufman
in honor of their anniversary*

Looking ahead...

October 4 - Pastor Claire & Choir
October 11 - Pastor Carroll, Children's Choir, Puppets

Missional Analysis (MAP) is an organized process to discuss the ways that the church can more clearly follow God's will for ministry. We need you to join the discussion to assist in the enhancement of WFPC's mission for Christ.

DID YOU KNOW?

WFPC has a rich heritage as a missions-oriented church. As we have learned over the past few weeks, WFPC has been supportive of various ministries that share the gospel message to people that need spiritual food. Along with the good news of Christ the church provides for the tangible needs in the form of clothing, shelter, and food. As we look at toward the future, can we do more? What does the Lord have for us if we will open our hearts and ask for His will to be done currently and in the days ahead?

Let us pray, read, study, and discuss the opportunities and challenges that the congregation is facing in this time of transition. Let us follow the Lord's invitation to discover what He really can do if allowed. As the psalmist shares, "Come, let us bow down in worship, let us kneel before the LORD our Maker; for he is our God and we are the people of his pasture, the flock under his care. Today, if only you would hear his voice, ..." (Psalm 95:6 – 7).

In closing, be sure to listen to the words of Paul to the church in Jerusalem. He encouraged them in Hebrews 10:35 - 36: "So do not throw away your confidence; it will be richly rewarded. You need to persevere so that when you have done the will of God, you will receive what he has promised."

Let's talk about what God has planned for WFPC in the near future!