

First Presbyterian Church  
Winnebago, Illinois  
September 6, 2015  
9:30 a.m.

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**PREPARING FOR THE WORD**

Prelude "Lift High the Lord Our Banner" Mark Hayes

Welcome/Announcements

\*Hymn "Come Sing To God" #181

Apostles Creed pg. 14

Prayer of Adoration and Confession **Unison prayer**  
**Merciful God,**

**We thank you for all the gifts and blessings you give us. Each morning you thrill us with your sunrise and the proof of your faithfulness to us your children. We thank you for new beginnings each morning and the promise of your unending love.**

**We know that we do not obey your laws**

**We love, but in words not actions**

**We love, but only if it is convenient and costs nothing.**

**We love, but only if we get something out of it.**

**Forgive us, we pray, for practicing love that is not really love at all. Give us grace to love others as Jesus loves us. Amen.**

Assurance of Forgiveness

Passing of the Peace

**Announcements**

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

Our Prayer request email: [first-pres-prayer@googlegroups.com](mailto: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.

**Loose Offerings** today go to the Deacons fund.

**Fall** Daily Bread devotionals are on the table in the narthex.

**Office hours** for Pastor Carroll will be Wednesday and Thursday.  
His email is: [pastor1@thewfpc.org](mailto:pastor1@thewfpc.org)

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

**Needed** one or more people to teach our high school Sunday school class, and possibly be involved with the junior and senior high youth group. See Stephanie Freimuth.

**Women of Hope Gathering** is at First Free Church, on Thursday, September 24 starting at 7 p.m. Please contact Bev Samsel at 815-335-2892 or [bpsamsel@gmail.com](mailto:bpsamsel@gmail.com) for more information or see the information on the church bulletin board. Bev will be purchasing the tickets in advance, deadline is September 20.

**Missional Analysis Process** (MAP) is a structured process where all can participate in determining the shape and direction of plans to grow the church and enhance its ministry initiatives. We will soon engage in the MAP process together to begin our discussions concerning how the Lord desires the church to plan for the future.

Church phone number 815-335-2051  
 Pastoral Cell 815-742-7503  
 Attendance 70  
 Offerings \$1119.45

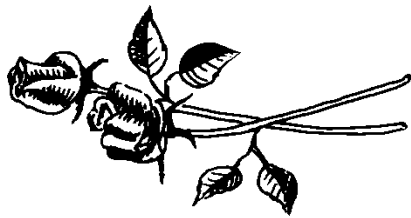
SHARING THE WORD THROUGHOUT THE WORLD

*Every member a minister...*

Accompanist Michelle West  
 Projectionist Kaleigh Freimuth  
 Ushers Chuck Rittmeyer, Skip Leden, Dave Nichols  
 Greeters Roger Christin, Norm Dean  
 Acolytes Katie & Grace Erb

**Looking ahead...**

September 13 - Rally Sunday, special combined service  
 starting at 9:30 a.m. w/Pastor Carroll  
 September 20 - Regular Sunday school hours start  
 at 9 a.m., Worship changes to 10:30 a.m. w/ Pastor Carroll  
 September 27 - Pastor Carroll



Bulletins today are sponsored by:  
 Betsy Menge in memory of her dear friend Toody Korf

\*Gloria Patri #579

Sharing of Joys and Concerns  
 Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

\*Hymn "Break Thou Bread of Life" #329

Presentation of Gifts and Offerings  
 "Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us" Keveren

\*Doxology #592

\*Prayer of Dedication

RECEIVING THE WORD

Scripture: James 2:1-13 The Message

Message: "Believe and Obey"  
 Pastor Claire Brennecka

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

Receiving of the Holy Communion

\*Hymn "Everytime I Feel the Spirit" #315

Benediction  
 Postlude "Give Thanks" Jonathon D. Larson

All music in our bulletin is protected under CCLI#1409680

## **September is PAD and Atrial Fibrillation Awareness Month**

Atrial fibrillation is the most common type of irregular heartbeat and is a leading risk factor for stroke. Peripheral Arterial Disease (PAD) is a vascular condition related to heart disease and stroke.

What do they both have in common? They are both detectable with simple, painless screening.

This is why First Presbyterian Church is hosting Life Line Screening, the nation's leading provider of preventive health screenings on Friday, September 25, 2015. The screenings provided focus on vascular disease, including atrial fibrillation and peripheral arterial disease.

Screenings are fast, painless and affordable. Three key tests check for blocked carotid arteries, atrial fibrillation, and high blood pressure, which are the three leading risk factors for stroke. Nearly 800,000 strokes will occur this year, taking a life approximately every four minutes.

Other tests check for abdominal aortic aneurysms and PAD, also called "hardening of the arteries" in the legs. A bone density screening to assess osteoporosis risk is also offered and is appropriate for both men and women. Many events also offer blood tests, including cholesterol, glucose and c-reactive protein screenings, as well as take-home colon cancer early detection tests.

Screening packages start at \$139. Single tests cost around \$70.

For more information regarding the screenings or to schedule an appointment, call 1-888-653-6441. **Pre-registration is required.**