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Date: Saturday, October 3, 2026

Time: 10:00 am-11:30 am

Location: First Presbyterian Church

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Welcome to Worship!
First Presbyterian Church
September 27, 2026 - 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time
10:30 am.

Prelude/Welcome/Announcements

*Call to Worship: (from Psalm 32)

Blessed is the one whose transgressions are forgiven,
whose sins are covered.

**Blessed is the one whose sin the Lord does not count
against them and in whose spirit is no deceit.**

Therefore let all the faithful pray to you while you may be found.
Surely the rising of the mighty waters will not reach them.

**You are our hiding place, O Lord. You will protect us from
trouble and surround us with songs of deliverance.**

*Hymn “Jesus Thy Boundless Love To Me” #703

Opening Prayer

Prayer of Confession: **Unison Reading**
**Forgive us, Lord, for all the times our pride has held us back
from repentance. Jesus taught us to be humble before God and
one another, yet we spend more time protecting our egos than
seeking what is good. We struggle to admit our flaws and try to
justify our mistakes. We find it hard to apologize and learn
from others who are different. We seldom appreciate
correction, even when we know we need help. Help us change,
O Lord. Have mercy on our stubborn hearts and teach us
humility through grace.**

Time of Silent Confession

Announcements

Newsletters For those who opted for hard copies of the newsletter, they are on the table in the narthex. ***Please make sure to take the one with your mailing label on it.*** Those not picked up today will be mailed out this week.

Youth Group Jesus Trivia Game Tonight. Join us for yummy food and some competitive and cooperative bible knowledge games! Youth Room, 6:30-8 pm.

Chancel Choir meets on Wednesday at 6:30 pm.

Fall Bible Study What do we mean when we say we are "called" to do something? What can we learn about calling from the stories of our spiritual ancestors? Join us Thursday nights at 6:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall until October 29th.

Sign-up sheet for flowers is on the bulletin board, one week's notice is needed for flower orders, see Stefanie Kluck.

Per Capita for 2026 is \$45 per person.

Stewardship Update: August income = \$9,684.33
August expenses = \$11,813.09 Difference = \$-2,128.76



*Flowers today are sponsored by: The Kluck & Thompson Families
In memory of Dave Hassel*

Presentation of Gifts and Offerings

*Doxology #606

*Prayer of Dedication **Unison prayer**

Holy God, we thank you for your grace and bring you these gifts, trusting that they can serve to proclaim your good news. May these humble offerings become seeds of hope and love. In Christ's name we pray, Amen.

Joys & Concerns, Pastoral Prayer ending with **The Lord's Prayer**

*Hymn "What a Fellowship, What a Joy Divine" (v.1,2) #837

Benediction

Postlude

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Every member a minister...

Accompanist	Karen Niemeier
Liturgist/Reader	Susan Gambrel, Gregg Seyler
Puppeteers	The Jr. High Sunday School Class
Projectionist	Gavin Early
Ushers	Ryan Bomgarden, Jim Mitchell

***First Presbyterian Church of Winnebago:
Where community, faith, family, and friends come together.***

Assurance of Pardon:

The Son of God laid down his own life to pay our debt to the Father. He freed us to live by grace in the joy of God's goodness and love. Friends, believe the Good News! In Jesus Christ we are forgiven! **Thanks be to God.**

*Gloria Patri #581

Passing of the Peace

Puppeteers "Joseph"

Scripture: Philippians 2:1-13; Matthew 21:23-32 pg. 1196; 1005
This is the Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Sermon: "Trapped by Pride"
Pastor Lisa Lopez-Meyer

Affirmation of Faith: (From the Brief Statement of Faith, 11.2)
We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God. Jesus proclaimed the reign of God: preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives, teaching by word and deed and blessing the children, healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted, eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners, and calling all to repent and believe the gospel. Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition, Jesus was crucified, suffering the depths of human pain and giving his life for the sins of the world. God raised this Jesus from the dead, vindicating his sinless life, breaking the power of sin and evil, delivering us from death to life eternal.

*Hymn "There Is a Redeemer" #443