

≡ FALL YOUTH RETREAT ≡

Come
as you
are 

YOU ARE
LOVED.
YOU BELONG.
YOU MATTER.



REAL TALK. REAL FAITH. REAL COMMUNITY.



WORSHIP &
TEACHING



OUTDOOR
ADVENTURE



FRIENDSHIP &
COMMUNITY



FUN, GAMES &
LATE NIGHTS



DRAW CLOSER.
THRIVE TOGETHER.
MAKE AN IMPACT.



DATE
**NOVEMBER
6-8, 2026**

FRIDAY EVENING –
SUNDAY AFTERNOON



LOCATION
**STRONGHOLD
CAMP & RETREAT CENTER**
1922 IL ROUTE 2
OREGON, IL 61061

COME AS
YOU ARE.
LEAVE
FOREVER
CHANGED.

If you have any questions, please reach out to office@ilprairiepres.org. 

Welcome to Worship!
First Presbyterian Church
October 18, 2026 - 21st Sunday after Pentecost
10:30 a.m.

Prelude/Welcome/Announcements

*Call to Worship: (adapted from Isaiah 43)

Do you not know? Have you not heard?

Has it not been told to you from the beginning?

The Lord sits enthroned above the circle of the earth.

People seem like grasshoppers to God!

God stretches out the heavens like a canopy,
and spreads them out like a tent to live in.

**The Lord brings great people to naught
and reduces the rulers of this world to nothing.**

Do you not know? Have you not heard?

The Lord is the everlasting God,
the Creator of the ends of the earth!

The Lord does not grow tired or weary!

No one can measure the wisdom of God!

*Hymn "Here in This Place" (v.1, 2, 4) #401

Opening Prayer

Prayer of Confession:

Unison Reading

**Forgive us, Lord, when we confess Jesus as Lord of our lives,
but we still give other authorities a priority in our decisions.
It's too easy to think we are following Jesus because we
dedicate time to the spiritual disciplines of prayer and worship,
yet neglect the way of Christ in the habits of our lives. We
allow traditions and popular opinion to influence our thinking
more than the words of Christ. We let our loyalties to other
leaders in the world—like politicians and celebrities—become
idols before the Lord.**

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Announcements

Confirmation class meets tonight 6:30-8 pm in the Youth Room.

Worship Committee meets Monday at 6:30 pm.

PW/Ruth Circle meets Tuesday at 10 am for a business meeting
in the fellowship hall. All ladies of the church are welcome!

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.

Youth Group meets Sunday, October 25 for Blessing Night.
Come to remember some of God's blessings for us and to be
inspired to be a blessing to others. Light supper provided.
Youth Room, 6:30-8:30 pm.

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: September income = \$14,007.63
September expenses = \$15,985.29 Difference = \$-1,977.66

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Affirmation of Faith: (Declaration of Barmen, 8.14-15)

As Jesus Christ is God's assurance of the forgiveness of all our sins, so in the same way and with the same seriousness is he also God's mighty claim upon our whole life. Through him befalls us a joyful deliverance from the godless fetters of this world for a free, grateful service to his creatures.

We reject the false doctrine, as though there were areas of our life in which we would not belong to Jesus Christ, but to other lords—areas in which we would not need justification and sanctification through him.