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February 9, 2025 | Morning Worship 9:30 am

Welcome to Church! Please sign in so that we can connect with you!
Use the binders in your pew OR text WORSHIP to 563-227-8441

If You Are Worshipping...

Online – All the worship songs and words will be on your screen so that you can fully participate.

In The Sanctuary – If you are comfortably able, we invite you to stand during portions of worship marked with an asterisk (*). The congregation reads items listed in bold text. *Please note:* Our service is always live-streamed with multiple cameras in the sanctuary. You will likely be on camera at some point during your worship experience.

With Children – We are delighted with the presence of (and the sounds of) children in worship. Children are welcome to use any of the resources in our PrayGround (located behind the back pews). The back pews are for parents of children using the PrayGround, and the rocking chairs are reserved especially for nursing mothers or parents whose children need a cuddle and some rocking. **Also, childcare is available in our nursery down the hall.**

Prayer Requests – Each week, we encourage folks to share their joys and concerns with one another using the *Prayer Cards* in the pews. Please complete a *Prayer Card* and place it in the Offering Plate during worship. This will ensure your prayers are lifted up to God in worship and/or in private.

Special accommodations –

Assisted listening devices are available at the back of the sanctuary.

Anyone with mobility issues is welcome to use the padded green chairs located strategically throughout the sanctuary. There are spaces within the pews for wheelchairs. Ushers are happy to assist you with these or other accommodations.

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

Fix Me, Jesus

Spiritual arr. Marianne Kim

FOR PRAYER AND REFLECTION

You call us, O Christ, to live as your disciples, grant us faith and courage to surrender and your call to follow you. Amen.

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Let us worship God, our light and our salvation.

The Lord is the stronghold of our lives.

We desire to live in God's house
and to seek God in his holy temple.

**We have come with shouts of joy,
to sing and to make music to the Lord.**

Let us worship God in spirit and in truth.

**Teach us your ways and make straight our paths in this hour of worship and
always.**

***SONG OF PRAISE** GTG #298 *Lord, You Give the Great Commission*

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**We pour out our hearts before you, O God; you are our refuge and strength.
Waves of doubt beat against us, weakening our faith and shaking our resolve to
do your will. Tremors of discord shake our foundations when the winds of
change blow and threaten our routines and temptations drive us from our course.
Too often we rely on ourselves when wisdom is sought. Still the waters of our
souls and allow us to follow your commands to reach out in faith and lower our
nets. Provide in Christ a haven of hope for our troubled and distracted spirits.
AMEN**

SILENT CONFESSION

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

***SUNG RESPONSE** GTG #581 *Gloria Patri*

****PASSING OF THE PEACE**

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

*Please take a moment to extend the peace of Christ to one another by greeting those around
you. Say "hello", wave, learn each other's names – whatever feels most comfortable to you.*

TIME WITH YOUNGER DISCIPLES

*Following the "Time with Younger Disciples," Our youngest disciples, ages 3-grade 3, are
encouraged to join our Faith Formation leaders for Children's Church. They will encounter God at a
developmentally-appropriate level with safe adults. The child(ren) can be picked up at the conclusion
of worship down the hall. Then, enjoy treats and fellowship together!*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Isaiah 6:1-8; Luke 5:1-11

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

SERMON

“Called”

***HYMN OF RESPONSE** GTG #761 *Called as Partners in Christ Service*

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH:** *The Apostle’s Creed*

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ, His only Son our Lord who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY

He Leadeth Me! O Blessed Thought

arr. Mark Hayes

***DOXOLOGY** GTG #606

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION & PETITION**

THE LORD’S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

***SENDING HYMN** GTG #726 *Will You Come and Follow Me*

***BENEDICTION**

***POSTLUDE**

Hold On (Keep Your Hand on the Plow)

Spiritual, arr. Calvin Taylor

* You are welcome to rise in body or spirit.

VALENTINE’S BRUNCH TODAY Following Worship AT 10:45 AM! The second annual Men’s Fellowship Valentines brunch will be served to the entire congregation. Egg Casserole, Cinamon Rolls, fruit and more will be on the menu. Come and enjoy the company and the food following worship. All are welcome!

Souper Bowl of Caring is today! The Souper Bowl of caring is back again! Did you know that each dollar donated generates \$18 for food charities? Help us tackle hunger by donating cash and dry & canned goods. Everything collected goes to support the Dubuque Food Pantry. Let's make them the big winners.

SCRIP gift cards are available today in the Narthex. "Give more without spending more". If you are new to Scrip stop at the desk and pick up a sheet of the local cards available and what percentage each gives back to our church.

WE ARE GLAD YOU ARE HERE! Interested in learning more about these congregations? Wondering how to get connected on a deeper level? Thinking about what becoming a member of the church may look like? Pastor Stephanie would love to talk with you. Simply contact her at fpcdbq.pastor@gmail.com or (507) 227-8537.

Care Cart! Reminder: Next week we fill the cart for the **Dubuque Food Pantry** to help feed local families. (no egg cartons.)

CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

WPC 2024 GIVING STATEMENTS were emailed on Mon., Jan. 27th. WPC and FPC statements were mailed on Wed., January 29th. If for some reason you did not receive yours, contact Becky Jenkins @ becky@wpcdbq.org Please note your SCRIP in-kind donation is italicized on your statement.

TITHES AND OFFERINGS collected in today's service will be contributed to the general fund of **First Presbyterian Church**. As a faithful pledger, you are encouraged to continue your giving patterns to either WPC or FPC. Tithes & offerings will be distributed to FPC on the 2nd & 4th Sundays, and to WPC on the 1st, 3rd, & 5th Sundays. Thank you for your understanding.

Pastor Stephanie is on vacation thru February 17, 2025. Please contact MaryKay through the church office M-TH 9:30am-2:00pm at (563) 583-1729 as needed. In case of emergency pastoral needs, please contact Rev. Dan Emmert at 515-370-4905. Thank you!

LAST CALL FOR FREE HOCKEY TICKETS: Presbyterian Night at the hockey game! We have 20 free tickets for the Dubuque Fighting Saints hockey game on Saturday, February 15 at 7:00 PM. The tickets are going first-come, first-served. See Tom Stovall **TODAY** if you want tickets.

INVITING ALL PING PONG PLAYERS to play at Westminster on Tuesday nights during February, March and April. If you are interested, contact Dan Emmert for time to play and other details. 515-370-4906 or email at emmmertdm@gmail.com

CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

WPC CONGREGATIONAL MEETING NOTICE: On **Sunday, Feb. 23rd, 2025**, immediately following worship, WPC will hold their Annual Congregational meeting in the Sanctuary for the review of the 2024 Annual Report and the 2025 budget approved by the Session.

THE CHRISTIAN FORMATION TEAM is thrilled that during the month of February learners from children through adults will be invited to explore the same Bible passages as are being presented in the Sunday morning worship service. "Feasting on the Word".

February 9 Luke 5:1-11 "Jesus Calls Disciples to Fish for People"

NO SUNDAY NIGHT FAITH FORMATION

GREEN TEAM TIP – Save Energy While Enjoying Your Coffee

To save money and energy while savoring your favorite brew, turn off the hot plate on your coffee maker and transfer your coffee to a thermos or insulated carafe instead. You'll save energy and your coffee will taste better too.

We need help with the U/D Seminary Tables on the following dates:

February 17th, March 10th, March 24th, April 7th and down the road on August 7th which is a large group for their Intensive Training.

Time for helping runs from 9AM to 1PM. We also need treats dropped off for each table. Please let me know if you can help on a certain day & let me know if you would like to bring treats (this is important as we do not want to get a lot of treats for just one day).

Thanks, Rich Henderson, 563-580-6289

WE NEED A NAME AND WE NEED YOUR HELP!

The Partnership Task Force needs your help! One of our tasks is to propose a name for our new Presbyterian congregation in Dubuque. We need your suggestions about what are some possibilities for our new name.

Every Sunday during February there will be a "Name Our Church" box located on the information counter at the back of the sanctuary. Please help us by writing down your suggestions and putting them in the box. At the end of February, the Task Force will review all of the suggestions. If you are a snow bird or worship online you can email your suggestions to tomstov@aol.com

To get you started, the Task Force went through this same process. Here are some of the names that we most frequently suggested: Unity, Dubuque, New, Community, Faith, and Grace. You can enter as many suggestions as you want.

Thanks to all for your concern and prayers for those affected by the California wildfires. We know the Presbytery of the Pacific has been affected and fires are also thought to have impacted the presbyteries of San Fernando and San Gabriel. This is a time of great grief and loss, and many are eager to help.

Here are the ways to contribute to the Presbyterian Disaster Assistance U.S. wildfires account, using the code DR000165:

- To donate by phone, call 800-872-3283.
- To send a check, please designate where you want your gift to go on the memo line and mail to: Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)
PO Box 643700 Pittsburgh PA 15264-3700
- To donate online, go to <https://www.pcusa.org/donate/dr000165-us-wildfires>

Your prayers and support will bring hope and healing

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## CHURCH PRAYER LIST

- For **Rich Henderson**, WPC member, who is recovering from surgery.
- For **Carolyn Klaver**, who has been hospitalized with ongoing health issues.
- For Gary Wagner's wife, **Sandy Garrett**, who is under the care of Hospice.
- For healing for **Patt Carmack** who broke her shoulder and is in re-hab in Glendale, AZ. Cards may be sent to %Todd Carmack, 8357 N. 50<sup>th</sup> Dr., Glendale, AZ 85302
- For **Lois Pearce** recovering from heart surgery and for **Doug Pearce's** ongoing health issues.
- For **Paula McNally** recovering from knee replacement surgery.
- For **Roy Piller's friend, Bill**, with blood cancer.
- For **Mary Kay** and her family. Mary Kay's sister, **Elaine**, passed away Tues., Feb.4<sup>th</sup>.
- For **all those affected by wildfires in California** - - including victims, first responders, volunteers and helping organizations.
- For **Josiah Otting** who continues to deal with seizures caused by epilepsy.
- Continued prayers for **Joyce Veach**, Mary Kay's sister in-law, with liver cancer.
- For **HannaRose Otting's** brain health concerns.
- For all those on the **Deacons Care List**.

**For Pastoral Care** please call the **pastoral care # 563-279-4545** with your pastoral needs or call the office at 563-583-1729.

**HAVE A PRAYER CONCERN OR JOY TO SHARE?** Folks on the **FPC/WPC Prayer Chain** would be honored to pray for you. Simply email Pastor Stephanie at [fpcdbq.pastor@gmail.com](mailto:fpcdbq.pastor@gmail.com), and she will distribute your request. You may also join the FPC/WPC Prayer Chain this way!

- All activities will take place at WPC, unless otherwise noted.

**Sunday, February 9th – Souper Bowl of Caring**

9:30am – **Worship & Children’s Church at WPC**

**Rev. Dan Festa, preaching**

Coffee, treats and fellowship following worship.

**10:30am – Valentine’s Brunch, FH, K**

**No Sunday Night Fellowship**

**Monday, February 10th**

5:30pm – Mission Meeting, WR

6:30pm – Christian Formation Team, BR

**Tuesday, February 11th**

9am - Tai Chi, FH

5:30pm – Ping Pong, Headstart Rm.

**Wednesday, February 12th**

8am – Men’s Coffee, BR

9:15am – Staff Mtg., WR

5 pm – Handbells Rehearsal, SA

5:30pm – People In Need Mtg., BR

**Thursday, February 13th**

**No bible study**

**Sunday, February 16th**

9:30am – **Worship & Children’s Church at WPC**

**Rev. Dan Emmert, preaching**

Coffee, treats and fellowship following worship.

10:30am – Choir Rehearsal, SA

**1:30pm – Worship at Bethany Home**

5:30-7pm – Food, Faith & Fellowship

**PASTOR STEPHANIE’S SERMONS** are available in print form. If you are interested in receiving a copy of her sermon via email or mail, please contact her directly at [fpcdbq.pastor@gmail.com](mailto:fpcdbq.pastor@gmail.com) or 507.227.8537

**NOTE:**

**Becky Jenkins has new office hours:** Mon. and Wed. 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., Tues. 12:15 to 2 p.m. **Not in the office on Thursdays**

# CHURCH STAFF

## FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

**Pastor:** Rev. Stephanie Ells

**Director of Music and Co-Choir Director:** Kristen Eby

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## WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

**Preacher:** Rev. Stephanie Ells

**Care Coordinator:** Sam Wu #563-279-4545

**Director of Music:** Dr. Luke Tyler

**Handbell Director:** Kristen Eby

**Co-Choir Director:** Steve Peake

**Timbrel & Lyre Director:** Dr. Luke Tyler

**Band Director:** Sally Stulken

**Organist/Pianist:** Dr. Luke Tyler

**Church Administrator:** Mary Kay Pancratz

**Financial Secretary:** Becky Jenkins

**Custodian:** Josh Henry

**Worship Tech:** Deb Seiffert, Marsha Wilfong, Bruce Hallahan

**Liturgist:** Jolene Kilcoyne

**Musician:** Dr. Luke Tyler

**Greeters:** Dan & Marilyn Emmert

**Ushers:** Randy Roos & Mark Ward

**Hospitality Set Up:** Carolyn Dausener

**Hospitality Clean Up:** Lizz Tyler

**Snacks:** Deb Stant

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