



BREAD OF LIFE

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

February 15th, 2026 | Morning Worship 10:00 am

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 adults accompanying children using the PrayGround, and the rocking chairs are reserved especially for nursing mothers or adults whose children need a cuddle and some rocking. **Also, childcare is available in our nursery down the hall for children up to age 5.**

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 and **Large Print Bulletins** 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.

Wheelchairs are available to use for church or to get down to Fellowship Hall. Please ask an usher or greeter. They can assist you.

GATHERING MUSIC

CHURCH BAND

ANNOUNCEMENTS

MINUTE FOR MISSION

BoL Garden Ministry Update

FOR PRAYER AND REFLECTION

Instructions for living a life:

Pay attention.

Be astonished.

Tell about it.

-Mary Oliver.

PRELUDE

Be Thou My Vision

arr. J Curnow

OPENING PRAYER

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Gathering in this sacred place, we anticipate new wonders each week.

Wherever two or three are gathered to worship, a holy spirit is present.

Open our eyes to witness the fantastic love and wondrous joy waiting to be revealed, even this day, even in this place

We will want to linger and camp in this sanctuary but when we leave today may our hearts be open to all the wonders of God's beautiful world.

*SONG OF PRAISE #662

Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Forgive us, God, when we linger too long by the waters, and on the mountain tops, enthralled with the glory that flows from you. When we fail to listen to your voice, leading and guiding us, shake us from our contentment and send us forward endowed with your power. Amen.

SILENT CONFESSION



DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

***SUNG RESPONSE #582** *Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me*

****PASSING OF THE PEACE**

The peace of Christ be with you.
And also, with you.

TIME WITH YOUNGER DISCIPLES

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING Matthew 17: 1-9 (pg. 835)
The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God!

SERMON Songs of our Faith: " I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light"

***HYMN OF RESPONSE #377** *I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light*

***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 *Fairest Lord Jesus* arr. Shackley

***DOXOLOGY #606** *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*

PRAYER OF PETITION AND DEDICATION

THE LORDS 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 #853**

We Are Marching in the Light of God

***BENEDICTION**

***POSTLUDE**

I Every Day I Will Bless You

by Blake



* Please rise in body or spirit.

**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.

CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

YOUTH AND MOF ANNOUNCEMENT There will be no youth group or Mom's on Fire meeting on Sunday, February 15 due to the Valentine's Day brunch hosted by the Men's Fellowship. All youth and Moms are warmly encouraged to attend the brunch in the Fellowship Hall immediately following worship and enjoy food and fellowship together.

The ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE is this **Wednesday, February 18th, 2026 at 7:00pm.** Ash Wednesday is the first day of Lent, the 40 days of fasting and renewal corresponding to Christ's forty-day fast when he was tempted in the desert. The imposition of ashes is a central part of the worship service, allowing us to meditate on our mortality while remembering, with confidence and gratitude, that Christ has conquered death and sin. Join us for this reflective and meaningful time of worship.

SOUPER BOWL OF CARING: THERE IS STILL TIME! If you weren't able to donate your Souper Bowl of Caring money or canned items on Feb 8, you can still place them in the football at the entry to the church today. So far, we have collected 125 food items and \$565.86. Let's score a touchdown to tackle hunger.

PASTOR STEPHANIE WILL BE ON GONE February 13-16, 2026. As ever, the Church Office is open M-TH 9:00am-2:00pm for your assistance; and in case of emergency pastoral needs, please contact Rev. Kaity Kemp at 563-581-1471. Thank you!

CARE CART: Next Sunday we fill the Care Cart for the **Dubuque Rescue Mission.** DRM appreciates donations of: Body wash/shampoo, granola bars, large boxes of cereal, #10 cans of vegetables or fruit, deodorant, and toothpaste. Thanks!

BOL READING GROUP: is meeting on February 19th at 1:00 pm in the Boardroom. The book title is *The Trial* by Richard Patterson. See you there!

GREEN TEAM: Use less paper! Reuse scrap paper for other purposes. Print on both sides of the paper to reduce waste. Go paperless. Pay your bills online to save time and paper. Get e-tickets for movies and other events instead of paper tickets. File your taxes electronically. Take steps to reduce the amount of junk mail you receive. Use real plates, cups, napkins and towels instead of paper ones.

SCRIP: Please visit the representative in the Narthex today. Gift cards are an important part of supporting our church programs. The church receives a percentage of the sales, but you pay only the face value of the card. Many popular retailers such as Hy-Vee, Fareway, Walgreens, Walmart and many more. A perfect way to help someone who is in need of groceries, prescriptions, personal items.

WELCOME! We're so glad you're worshipping at Bread of Life Presbyterian Church today. Are you curious about who we are as a congregation, looking for ways to connect more deeply, or wondering what church membership might look like for you? **Pastor Stephanie would be delighted to visit with you.** Feel free to reach out by email at fpcdbq.pastor@gmail.com or by phone at (507) 227-8537.

THE POURING OF THE WATER INTO THE FONT at the beginning of worship engages our physical senses in worship of God. Hearing the water and seeing it poured connects us to the sacrament of Baptism, a sign & seal of our being marked as Christ's own forever. By carrying in the water during the prelude, children are offered an opportunity to participate in worship leadership.

CHANCEL FLOWERS: You are invited to help beautify our worship space by providing chancel flowers. Flowers may be given in memory or honor of a loved one, to celebrate a special occasion, or simply to add beauty to the altar. **To sign up,** please contact the church office at **563-583-1729.**



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- For those folks navigating ongoing health concerns: **Joyce Bausman, Jolene Kilcoyne, Angie Lockhart, Lois and Doug Pearce, HannaRose Otting, Ella Gryski, Betty** and **Leon Thompson, Les Sonsken, and Arlys Williams.**
- For **Gene Myers**, Jolene Kilcoyne's dad, who is in the final stages of his life; and for Jolene and family as they walk alongside him.
- For **Florence Siefkert** as she travels to her brother, Errol Philpotts' funeral on.
- For all those on the **Deacons Care List.**
- For Sara Blair's friend's mom **Donna.**
- For **Gary Reitzel**, in his two-year battle with pancreatic cancer, in North Carolina.
- For **Edward Stovall's** family as they mourn his death on February 10th. Edward is Tom Stovalls brother.
- For all of those living in fear of the actions of our government.
- For all of those experiencing physical, mental, or spiritual pain.
- For **Sam Phipps** as he recovers from surgery.

HAVE A PRAYER CONCERN OR JOY TO SHARE? Folks on the **Bread of Life Prayer Chain** would be honored to pray for you. Simply email Pastor Stephanie at fpcdbq.pastor@gmail.com, and she will distribute your request. You may also join the Bread of Life Prayer Chain this way! **For Pastoral Care** please call **(563) 279-4545** or the church office.

All activities will take place at Bread of Life's Hilltop Campus, unless otherwise noted.

CHURCH CALENDAR

Sunday, February 15th

Pastor Stephanie, Out of Office
9:00am – Christian Formation, ClassRms
10:00am – **Sunday Worship**
11:00am – Choir Rehearsal, S
11:00am – Valentine's Brunch, FH
1:30pm – Worship at Bethany Home

Monday, February 16th

Pastor Stephanie, Out of Office
4:30pm – Friends Yoga, C
6:00pm – Pack 20, HS

Tuesday, February 17th

9:00am – Tai Chi, FH
10:30am – Cable Car Quilters, FH
5:00pm – Ping Pong Tuesday's, HS
6:00pm – Boy Scouts, DT
6:00pm – Session Meeting, BR/Zoom

Wednesday, February 18th

9:15am – Staff Mtg, WR
5:30am – Handbell Choir Rehearsal, S
7:00pm – Keyway Lodge AA Group, HS
7:00pm – Ash Wednesday, S

Thursday, February 19th

Jeff, Out of Office
11:00am – Adult Bible Study, CR
1:00am – BOL Book Club, NTX

Friday, February 20th

Saturday, February 21st

9:00am – John Knox Presbytery Meeting, Zoom



CHURCH MINISTRY LEADERSHIP

TODAY'S SERVICE

Preacher: Rev. Kaity Kemp
Liturgists: Alex Jack
Musicians: Kristen Eby
Music Ensemble: Church Band

Greeters: Shirley Merriwether & Julie Woodyard
Ushers: Chris Daniel & Alex Jack
Hospitality Set Up: Doug & Jean Cheever
Hospitality Clean Up: Shirley Merriwether

CHURCH STAFF

Lead Pastor: Rev. Stephanie Ells
Associate Pastor: Rev. Kaity Kemp
Business Manager: Jeffrey T. Gladwin

Director of Music: Kristen Eby
Care Coordinator: Sam Wu #563-279-4545
Band Director: Sally Stulken

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