

- **Those who are able are invited to stand.**

PRELUDE *The Strife is O'er*

Giovanni Palestrina

LIFE OF THE CONGREGATION

Moment of silence to prepare your hearts for worship

LET US WORSHIP GOD TOGETHER

- **CALL TO WORSHIP** (Psalm 35:23-24, 27-28)

Leader: Awake, and rise to my defense! Contend for me, my God and Lord.

People: Vindicate me in Your righteousness, O LORD my God; do not let them gloat over me.

Leader: May those who delight in my vindication shout for joy and gladness;

People: may they always say, "The LORD be exalted, who delights in the well-being of His servant."

All: My tongue will speak of Your righteousness and of Your all day long.

- **INVOCATION**

Leader: Risen Lord, come to our defense! Bless us with Your Spirit of intercession and bind us to You in love. Guard us from the evil one and remove from our lives any wickedness. Let our praises please You. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

- **HYMN OF PRAISE** (8:00 a.m.)

#306 *Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed*

- **SONGS OF PRAISE (insert & screen)**

Mighty to Save

How Deep the Father's Love For Us

CALL TO CONFESSION (I John 2:1-2)

Leader: My dear children, I write this to you so that you will not sin. But if anybody does sin, we have One who speaks to the Father in our defense--Jesus Christ, the Righteous One. He is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not only for ours but also for the sins of the whole world.

Let us claim Christ as our advocate by confessing our sin in silent prayer.

SILENT PRAYER

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Unison: Gracious Lord, we confess that we fail to be obedient to Your commands. We have failed to love those who You have placed around us. We act in selfish and self serving ways that do not witness to Your redeeming love. Forgive us and help us to be focused upon You instead of ourselves. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen

ASSURANCE OF PARDON (Hebrews 9:11-14)

Leader: When Christ came as high priest of the good things that are already here, He went through the greater and more perfect tabernacle that is not man-made, that is to say, not a part of this creation. He did not enter by means of the blood of goats and calves; but He entered the Most Holy Place once for all by His own blood, having obtained eternal redemption. The blood of goats and bulls and the ashes of a heifer sprinkled on those who are ceremonially unclean sanctify them so that they are outwardly clean. How much more, then, will the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered Himself unblemished to God, cleanse our consciences from acts that lead to death, so that we may serve the living God!

Sisters and brothers I declare to you that you are forgiven!

- **AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: *The Apostles' Creed***

Unison: 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.

- **GLORIA PATRI**

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost, As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen.

MORNING PRAYERS

Pastoral Prayer

Prayers for the People

The Lord's Prayer

CHILDREN'S SERMON

OFFERING OUR GIFTS

The Call

Offertory *Adore and Be Still*

Charles Gounod

• Doxology: **Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him, all creatures here below. Praise Him above, ye heavenly host. Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen**

and Blessing (Remain standing and join hands)

426 Blest Be the Tie That Binds (vs. 1)

*Blest be the tie that binds Our hearts in Christian love;
The fellowship of kindred minds Is like to that above.*

LET US LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD

SCRIPTURE READING Hebrews 7:11-28

NT pg. 1869

SPECIAL MUSIC *The Greatest Gift is Love*

Mark Hayes

Chancel Choir

SCRIPTURE READING Romans 3:19-31

NT pg. 1750

(Children may leave for Children's Church)

DRAMA (10:30 a.m.) "My Advocate"

by Darrell Meyer

SERMON "Our Advocate"

Rev. Dr. Richard A. King

LET US LIVE IN THE POWER OF GOD'S SPIRIT

• **HYMN OF DEDICATION** (hymnal & screen)

#329 *There Is Power in the Blood*

• **CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

• **ORGAN RESPONSE**

• **POSTLUDE**

Announcements - April 11, 2010

A **pulled pork lunch** will be served today after the 10:30 a.m. worship service. This is a fundraiser for scholarships for campers. Plan to attend this event.

April is our month to bring supplies for the House of Compassion Supply Closet.

The **Spring Gathering for our Presbyterian Women** will be on Saturday, April 17 at 9:00 am at First Presbyterian Church in Fort Dodge. The keynote speakers are Bien & Marinela Acost. There will also be an introduction to the 2011 Horizons Bible Study. Please contact Jan Stubbs (752-4953) by Sunday, April 11.

State Center Presbyterian Church, 302 3rd Ave. SW, invites you to a "Baked Steak Dinner" on Saturday, April 17, from 5 - 7 p.m. The cost is \$7.50 per person or \$4.00 for anyone under 12 years of age. The menu will include tossed salad, baked steak, mashed potatoes & gravy, seasoned green beans, rolls, dessert and a beverage. Take out orders are available.

Michael Card will be in concert at BCLUW High School in Conrad on Sunday, April 18, at 6:30 p.m. Tickets are \$12 each and can be purchased in the church office. This will be a fundraiser for FRB.

"Each one should use whatever gift he has received to serve others, faithfully administering God's grace in its various forms." 1 Peter 4:10

---**The Stewardship Committee**

Marshalltown Christian School is accepting applications for the following 2010-11 positions: half-time director, half-time pre-kindergarten teacher, and a potential full-time 7th & 8th grade teacher. If interested, please call the school at 641-753-8824.

Marshalltown Christian School is hosting a garage sale fundraiser on Saturday, April 17 from 8-2 in the Evangelical Free Church gym. If you have items you would like to donate for the sale, please drop them off in the gym on April 15 or 16. Then, come shop the sale on Saturday!

Thank you,

Valerie Troutner
MCS Director

Pray for **United Presbyterian Church in Garner, Iowa; and First Presbyterian Church, Conrad, Iowa, Rev. Kerry Carson, Pastor.**

The whole world lives in Your love, holy God, and we are Your people. Send us out in faith to tell Your story and to demonstrate Your truth to every race and nation, so that, won by Your powerful Word, the world may join together giving You praise, and living to serve You in Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.

Altar Flowers: were given by **Fred & Lola Rinnan** in celebration of their anniversary.

Worship Leader today: 8:00 a.m.: Edith Rankin
10:30 a.m.: Doug Boyd

Next Sunday 8:00 a.m.: Amy Drummer
10:30 a.m.: Dalton Henze

Greeters today: 8:00 a.m.: Doug & Gail Reese
10:30 a.m.: Jean Evans

Next Sunday 8:00 a.m.: Kurt Lynch
10:30 a.m.: Mary Lovig

Deacons today: Roger & Donita Anders

Next Sunday: Joyce Anderegg & Meg Sponseller

Fellowship Hosts today: Norm & Shirley Egli

Next Sunday: Harlan & Marcia Quick

Nursery today: Elizabeth Anderson

Next Sunday: Marge Wolfe

Cup Washers today: Jim & Brenda Mosher

Next Sunday: Lee & Michelle Wilkinson

Donuts: today: Ron & Dorothy Wilson

Next Sunday: Ken & Fran Smith

Sound System: 10:30 a.m.: Diane Broshar

If you need a ride to worship or church activities, contact any Deacon. The list is on the back of the bulletin.

New Joys and Concerns

- **Mina Fouts**, grieving the death of Earl, 4-4-2010; funeral service is Saturday, April 10, at 10:30 a.m. here at the church
- **Doris Flanagan**, recuperating from neck surgery to remove a bone pushing on her spinal cord 4-6-2010
- **Carol Ploeger**, at Villa Del Sol in Room 205 recuperating from surgery to repair a broken hip
- **Stephen Jensen**, deployed to Afghanistan

Continuing Joys and Concerns

- **LaVone Lee**, recuperating at Southridge following an auto accident
- **Samuel Wilkinson**, at home recuperating from surgery
- **Earl Brennecke**, recuperating from a broken hip at Villa Del Sol, Room 415
- **Rev. Rick Vesley** of Traer, dealing with advance stages of ALS
- **Martin Gray**, health concerns-under Hospice care
- **Sharon Vogt**, health concerns caused by a brain tumor
- **Hazel Nason**, suffering from COPD

Please pray for everyone on our list! Thank you for keeping us informed about joys and concerns. Remember, hospitalized members and friends don't always get on the list at the hospital. We'd rather get several calls than none!

Phone the church at 753-5929

or e-mail presmtwn@mchsi.com

Please let us know if you'd like the **prayer chain** activated.

The Purpose Statement for First Presbyterian Church of Marshalltown

- G Growing in Christ through *worship*.
- R Reaching out in *fellowship*
- A Affirming faith through *discipleship*
- C Caring for the lost through *evangelism*.
- E Embracing others in mission and *ministry*.

Members in mission, making a difference

Pastor	Rev. Dr. Richard A. King
Associate Pastor	Rev. Dave Beckmann
Youth Director	Jon Rottink
Choir Director	Valerie King
Organist	Wynona Anderson
Assistant Organist	Marla Grossman
Pianist	Cindy Butler
Office Manager	Nancy Diggins
Custodian	Yawo Sassouvi
Assistant Custodian	Jan Faber
Nursery Director	Heather Rottink

Elders

Doug Bacon	Dr. Dean Baker
Cindy Butler	Terry Buzbee
Rollie Freel	Bonnie Grimmus
Michele Hala	Orlyn Langenbau
Darrell Meyer	Bill Moore
Carole Permar	Chad Pietig
Lyn Rakowicz	Roger Schoell
Steve Strand	

Deacons

Joyce Anderegg	Donita & Roger Anders
Wynona Anderson	Marylou Beckmann
Ruth Hayes	Craig & Tedra Henze
Diane & Marvin Josten	Bert Permar
Gerald Schaudt	Georgia & Robert Smith
Meg Sponseller	Carter Strand
Dorothy Wilson	

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