

Service for the Lord's Day

October 11, 2020

10:00 a.m. Worship

*Congregation May Stand

In Essentials... Unity ~ In Non-Essentials... Liberty ~ In All Things... Charity

Prelude

“To Thy Temple, Lord, I Come”

Hildebrand

In quiet reflection, let us turn our thoughts toward worship of Almighty God.

Welcome and Announcements

Roberts

Lisa

Call to Worship

Ephesians 1:3-6

Invocation

*Hymn

#108

“Come Christians, Join to Sing”

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*Responsive Reading:

Psalm 106:1-6, 19-23

Leader: Praise the LORD! O give thanks to the LORD, for He is good; for His steadfast love endures forever!

People: Who can utter the mighty doings of the LORD, or show forth all His praise?

Leader: Blessed are they who observe justice, who do righteousness at all times!

People: Remember me, O LORD, when Thou showest favor to Thy people; help me when Thou deliverest them;

Leader: That I may see the prosperity of Thy chosen ones, that I may rejoice in the gladness of Thy nation, that I may glory with Thy heritage.

People: Both we and our fathers have sinned; we have committed iniquity, we have done wickedly. They made a calf in Horeb and worshiped a molten image.

Leader: They exchanged the glory of God for the image of an ox that eats grass.

People: They forgot God, their Savior, who had done great things in Egypt.

Leader: Wondrous works in the land of Ham, and terrible things by the Red Sea.

All: Therefore, He said He would destroy them—had not Moses, His chosen one, stood in the breach before Him, to turn away His wrath from destroying them.

Prayer of Confession:

(unison)

O God, our Father in heaven; We come to Thee in penitence, confessing our sins. Create in us a clean heart, O God; And renew a right spirit within us. Restore unto us the joy of Thy salvation; And uphold us with Thy free Spirit. O Lord, open Thou our lips; And our mouth shall show forth Thy praise. Forgive us, O Lord; For the wrong we have done; For the unkind words we have said; For our evil thoughts. Forgive us, O Lord; For forgetting Thee; For our selfishness; For our neglect of others. Lord hear our prayer; Guide us and help us; To do better and to be better; For the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Silent Confession *(continue in silent prayer)* ...**Amen.**

Assurance of Pardon

*The Gloria Patri

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First Scripture Reading

Exodus 32:1-14

Pew Bible Page #74

Interlude

Hildebrand

“As Longs the Deer for Cooling Streams”

Second Scripture Reading
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Romans 3

Pew Bible Page

***Hymn**
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“For Beauty of Meadows”

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Sermon

“Romans 3, Pt. 1”

Rev. Scott Cress

***Benediction**

***Hymn**

“As Longs the Deer for Cooling Streams”

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Postlude

“Once to Every Man and Nation”

Hildebrand

***Affirmation of Faith:** Heidelberg Catechism, Lord’s Day 6

(responsive)

Question: Why must he be a true and righteous man?

Answer: He must be a true man because the justice of God requires that the same human nature which has sinned should pay for sin. He must be a righteous man because one who is himself a sinner cannot pay for others.

Question: Why must he at the same time be true God?

Answer: He must be true God so that by the power of his divine nature he might bear in his human nature the burden of God's wrath, and might obtain for us and restore to us righteousness and life.

Prayer of God’s People and 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.

Moment for Mission
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The First Presbyterian Church

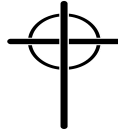
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MISSION STATEMENT

Called by God into the joy of new life in Christ,

*First Presbyterian Church of Hillsdale
seeks to live together faithfully,
committing ourselves to a life of worship,
mutual encouragement to growth in faith and knowledge,
and to the proclamation of the Gospel.*



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Sunday, October 11, 2020

CHURCH CALENDAR

Today, October 11

10:00 a.m. Worship Service, Sanctuary
11:00 a.m. Coffee Fellowship, Fellowship Hall
11:20 a.m. Sunday School, Classrooms

Monday, October 12

7:30 a.m.—3:00 p.m. Hillsdale Classical School, Classrooms

Tuesday, October 13

7:30 a.m.—3:00 p.m. Hillsdale Classical School, Classrooms

Wednesday, October 14

7:30 a.m.—3:00 p.m. Hillsdale Classical School, Classrooms
12:00 p.m. Ladies Society, Fellowship Hall

NO Bible Study!

Thursday, October 15

1:00 p.m. Memorial Service of Jane Potter, Sanctuary
4:00 p.m. Worship Meeting, Anniversary Room
7:00 p.m. Session Meeting, Anniversary Room

Friday, October 16

Saturday, October 17

Next Sunday, October 18

10:00 a.m. Worship Service, Sanctuary
11:00 a.m. Coffee Fellowship, Fellowship Hall
11:20 a.m. Sunday School, Classrooms

BULLETIN DEADLINE IS THURSDAY AT NOON EACH WEEK.

WELCOME

The psalmist declares that *“the LORD takes pleasure in His people”* (Psalm 149:4, ESV).
As we gather before the God who delights in us, may we also delight in God. Welcome!

A SPECIAL WELCOME TO ALL VISITORS worshiping with us this morning. We ask that you please include your name and address when filling out the Friendship Pads and pass the pad along the pew so others may do the same. After everyone has registered, send the pad back along the pew so you can learn the names of those sitting with you. Attendance Last Sunday: 58

The FLOWERS on the Communion table are given today by Mary and Don Sanderson in celebration of their family and our Church family October birthdays.

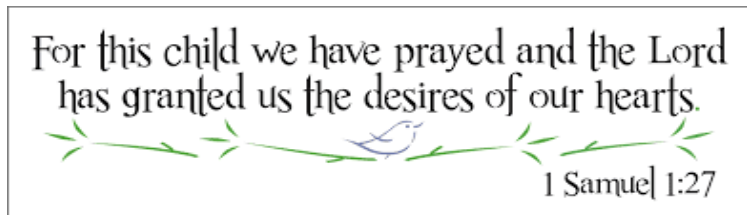
PASTOR:	Rev. Scott Cress
CHOIR/ORGANIST:	Dean James
WORSHIP LEADER:	Lisa Roberts
BUILDING CLOSER:	Bob Roberts
DEACON:	Connie Hutchinson

PRAYER REQUESTS: Family of Jane Potter

Mike Lackey and Barb Rizner

CONTINUING PRAYER REQUESTS: Irma's Family, Terry (*Sister-in-law F.Ross*), Carissa Benavides, Jack Bowles (*Cousin J.Long*), Charles Cress (*Father Pastor Scott*), Jessica Devaney (*Friend B.Portteus*), Bill Ewald (*Brother-in-law C.Carver*), Donald Fowler (*Brother-in-law V.Long*), Tim Gordon (*Cousin M.Rollins*), Bill Gunn (*Brother B.Lipps*), JB Jenkins (*Brother-n-law Irma*), Robert Jones (*Husband Irma*), Sarah Lees (*Sister B.Portteus*), Dennis Morgan (*Friend V.Long*), Sherri Selmer (*Friend Cress Family*), Dane Skorup, Bill Stapleton (*Brother-in-law L.Swope*), Jackie Schaefer (*Friend Taylors*), Kathy Stump (*Secretary Salvation Army*), Marsha Green-Ziegler (*Sister S.Downey*); **PRAY FOR MILITARY:** LT.j.g. Andrea Cornett (*USN*), Dorion Duby (*National Guard*), Spencer Eves (*USNA-Grandson Judy & Ron Adams*); Lt. Col. Garron Garn (*US Marines*), LT. Chris Hoffman (*USN*), LT. Molly Hoffman (*USN*), LT Zachary Laden (*US Navy, Grandson Bev & Duane Taylor*), 1LT Ben Larson (*National Guard, Grandson Charlotte Dear*); Major Andrew Osborn (*Army, Nephew B.Kneen*), Pvt Tom Potter (*Grandson J.Potter*); 1LT Mark Reed (*US Army-deployed overseas*), Davis Regalado (*USMC-Friend Joyce Benzing*); LT. JG Sydney Rouble (*USN RN—Granddaughter Noël & Dan Bisher*), LCDR Joy Solmonson (*USN*)—(*Cornett, Hoffman, Reed, Solmonson—Friends Shelley Downey*); **PRAY FOR MISSIONS:** Lingap Foundation, Outreach Foundation, and Samaritan's Purse; **PRAY FOR OUR SHUT-INS:** Mary Rose Dryer (*home*), Onalee & Dean Foulke (*Country Living*), Lois James (*Medical Care*), Dorothea Long (*Medical Care*), Barb Rizner (*home*), and Kit Tamblyn (*home*)

ANNOUNCEMENTS



**Sophia Marie Cress was born Thursday, October 8, 2020 at 5 PM.
Shana and Sophia are doing great and resting up at home.
Thank you for your prayers!**

BOTTLE RETURNS: The youth of our Church **will not** be collecting deposit-return cans and bottles for a while until things get back to normal. We're very sorry for any inconvenience. However, you may speak to **Marty Games** if you'd like an alternative for your bottle returns. He and the Boy Scouts are willing to take them off your hands!

LADIES SOCIETY (October 7): There will be a Ladies Society meeting on Wednesday October 7, 2020 at 12 Noon in Fellowship Hall. Please bring your own lunch. We will be

discussing the Ladies Society budget. Devotions will be given by Ruth Brown. All ladies are welcome to come and enjoy fellowship together!

NEW DEVOTIONAL RESOURCE: Pastor Scott has created a new monthly devotional resource. Each week features a morning and evening prayer time. On Thursday mornings, a short video will be placed on the website reflecting on some part of that week's morning and evening prayer. The resource is designed to be simple, flexible, foundational, and spiritually uniting. Copies are available on the back table in the sanctuary and on the Church website.

NO WEDNESDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY: Don't forget—**NO BIBLE STUDY** in October!!!

STEWARDSHIP SUNDAY: October 27 is Stewardship Sunday, when we faithfully present our Estimates of Giving for 2021. Prayerfully consider your level of giving as an act of worship and thanksgiving by making a pledge to further God's work through our Church in 2021. We thank you for your ongoing prayers and financial support as we acknowledge God's right to everything we are and own. We are of course grateful for every gift that is given for the life and ministry of the First Presbyterian Church.

SESSION MEETING (October 15): There will be a Session Meeting at 7 PM this Thursday, October 15 in the Anniversary Room.

SUNDAY SCHOOL TODAY! Please join us today for Sunday school at 11:15 AM. There are classes for everyone! **Beginning on November 1st, James Brandon** will be leading a five-week adult Sunday school class on Christian faith and the arts. Come and join us for a lively discussion! *Won't you please join us?*

THANK YOU LADIES for working in the Church office during Irma's absence. A **BIG Thank You to Brenda Barron** for making sure the office was covered each day and helping Pastor Scott with anything that needed to get done. Great job ladies!!!

WORSHIP MEETING (October 15): There will be a Worship Committee Meeting this Thursday, October 15 at 4 p.m. in the Anniversary Room. We will discuss next year's budget and Christmas plans. Please let Tammy or Dean if you will attend this brief meeting. Thank you!



A MEMORIAL SERVICE honoring the life of Jane Potter will take place on Thursday, October 15, 2020 at 1:00 PM in our sanctuary. A Graveside Service will immediately follow at the Oak Grove Cemetery.

(All attendees should wear masks, if medically possible. Additional seating will be provided in the

Anniversary Room or Parlor for those who would prefer to socially distance. These seats will be available on a first come, first serve basis.)

VISITATION will be on Wednesday, October 14, 2020 from 5:00 to 7:00 PM at the VanHorn-Eagle Funeral Home in Hillsdale.

During this difficult time, we lift up her family and friends in our thoughts and prayers.