

\*SONG OF RESPONSE

“Amazing Grace” [280]

OFFERING/OFFERTORY

\*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*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND 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.**

GOING FORTH TO MINISTER

\*CLOSING HYMN

“Great Is Thy Faithfulness” [276]

\*BENEDICTION

\*SUNG BLESSING

[356 v. 3]

*O to grace how great a debtor  
Daily I’m constrained to be!  
Let that grace now, like a fetter,  
Bind my wandering heart to Thee:  
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it,  
Prone to leave the God I love;  
Here’s my heart, O take and seal it,  
Seal it for Thy courts above .*

POSTLUDE

*Alejandro Alumbremos*

*\*Please stand as you are able.*

*[Bold type] indicates text to be spoken or song to be sung by the congregation.*



*First  
Presbyterian  
Church*

*February 11, 2018*

*9:30 a.m.*

GATHERING WITH PRAISE

PRELUDE

*Alejandro Alumbremos*

FIRST THOUGHT

“God’s strength behind you, God’s concern for you, God’s love within you, and God’s arms beneath you are more than sufficient for the job ahead of you.”

*William Arthur Ward*

One: The Lord be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: We are here to worship a remarkable God.

All: **The love of God welcomes us, the grace of Christ awaits us, the joy of the Spirit enfolds us.**

One: Come as the joyful, come as the eager, come as the thankful, come as the recipients of amazing grace.

All: **The love of God overflows our hearts, the grace of Christ liberates our spirits, the joy of the Spirit sings in our hearts .**

\*OPENING HYMN

**“Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee” [464]**

\*PRAYER OF THE DAY

WELCOME

*Welcome! Whoever you are, wherever you come from and whatever you have done or failed to do, welcome to this place where we celebrate the love of God and are inspired by the hospitality of Jesus Christ. May you find God’s love, peace and grace as we worship together.*

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

*Bruce Armstrong*

**God of the rainbow, God, keeper of promises, we rejoice that You are faithful to us, even when we fail You. You may look upon our wayward ways and weep, but still You will not forget us. You have promised never to leave us, even when we turn our backs on You. God, forgive us. We wander from Your paths,**

**draw us back to Yourself. Lead us into Your loving and welcoming arms and whisper into our lives words of peace, words of forgiveness, words of promise that You love with an everlasting love. Through Jesus Christ, Your love shown to the world in flesh and blood . ~ Amen**

*(Let us continue to pray in silence.)*

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

One: Friends, hear the good news of the Gospel.

All: **In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.**

\*ACT OF PRAISE

**[356 v. 1]**

***Come, Thou fount of every blessings,  
Tune my heart to sing Thy grace;  
Streams of mercy, never ceasing,  
Call for songs of loudest praise.  
Teach me some melodious sonnet,  
Sung by flaming tongues above;  
Praise the mount! I’m fixed upon it,  
Mount of God’s unchanging love.***

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

SCRIPTURE

Genesis 8:20-22 [O.T. p. 7]

SERMON

“Remembered”  
*Rev. Gillian Weighton*

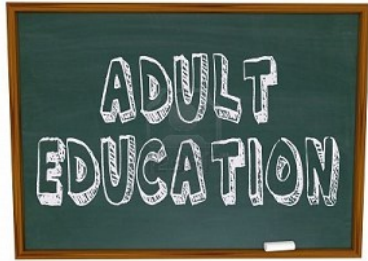
RESPONDING TO THE WORD

PASSING THE PEACE

One: The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

*(During this time the children and their teachers may leave for Sunday School.)*



### ADULT EDUCATION SCHEDULE

Join Pastor Gillian as she continues to lead an 8-week series based on the book, "Camino Divina." The book focuses on likely and unlikely saints that can inform and inspire our faith journey.

FEBRUARY 25 – RAINER MARIA RILKE  
MARCH 11 – T.S. ELIOT  
MARCH 25 – JOHN O'DONOHUE  
APRIL 8 – FLANNERY O'CONNOR  
APRIL 22 – CHIEF SEATTLE  
MAY 13 – ANNIE DILLARD  
MAY 27 – WENDELL BERRY



Welcome to this sanctuary.  
Welcome to this time of  
worship and wonder.  
Welcome to this  
family of faith.

**WELCOME TO  
FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**  
We're glad you're here today  
and pray that your experience  
with us in worship is both  
challenging and uplifting!

9:30<sup>AM</sup>—Worship  
10:15<sup>AM</sup>—Sunday School

Fellowship to follow  
in Ihrman Hall.

*Nursery care is available during  
worship service in Room 205.*

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### GET THE WEEKLY "E-VOTIONAL"

To receive our mid-week E-votional  
along with news about what's going  
on in the church, call/email the office  
and ask to be added to the list!



The **FIRST PRES BOOK CLUB** will be reading "Hope Heals"  
by Katherine Wolf. It is an inspirational story of a  
27- year-old wife and mother who suffers a massive  
stroke and her struggle to come back from it.

On Friday, February 16<sup>th</sup> (7:00<sup>PM</sup>) we will meet  
at Vi Shufelt' s home at Lake Oaks,  
1916 Wisconsin Avenue, #308.

**All are welcome!**



TODAY Tony Aiello and Vi Shufelt  
will be doing **BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENINGS**  
in Ihrman Hall—before and after worship.

Please stop by to see them for screening  
or to just say hello!



The Mission Committee will be once again be  
sponsoring the **CHILI COOK- OFF—TODAY**,  
immediately following worship (downstairs in  
the Dining Room). Cake will be served in honor  
of Gillian receiving her green card/permanent  
residency!

The cost will be \$5.00 per person, \$15.00 for a family and/or  
\$5.00 per take-home container. The monies raised will be used for  
the Cuba Air Conditioning Fund.

**All are welcome!**

February 11, 2018

GREETERS: *Elie Hunt, Marge Henze*

USHERS: *Denise Park, Lissy Blandford, Bob & Kerry Frank*

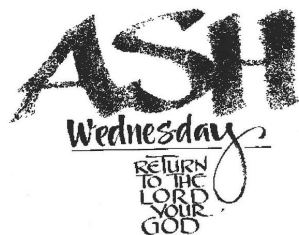
PERK-N-POUR: *Deb Yale*

LITURGIST: *Bruce Armstrong*

**CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR THE WEEK OF FEBRUARY 11, 2018**

Sun., Feb. 11	9:30 <sup>AM</sup> Worship
	10:15 <sup>AM</sup> Sunday School
	10:45 <sup>AM</sup> Chili Cook-Off (Dining Hall)
Mon., Feb. 12	
Tue., Feb. 13	11:00 <sup>AM</sup> Staff Meeting Deacons Meeting
Wed., Feb. 14	12:00 <sup>PM</sup> Bible Study
	5:00 <sup>PM</sup> to 7:00 <sup>PM</sup> Food Pantry
	6:30 <sup>PM</sup> Ash Wednesday Service
	7:15 <sup>PM</sup> Handbell Choir Rehearsal
Thu., Feb. 15	2:00 <sup>PM</sup> to 4:00 <sup>PM</sup> Food Pantry Newsletter Deadline
Fri., Feb. 16	7:00 <sup>PM</sup> First Pres Book Club (1916 Wisconsin Ave., #308)

Please join us February 18<sup>th</sup> at 9:30<sup>AM</sup> for Worship  
Scripture reading—Genesis 18:1-15



*You're invited to join us this  
Wednesday, February 14<sup>th</sup> at 6:30<sup>PM</sup>  
for our Ash Wednesday Service!*



**Prayers for our church family**—including Mary Jane Johnston, Peggy Taylor, Darrell Sutton, Larry and Ellen Cardwell, Marlene Wilson, Don and Nancy Tobias, David Perkins, Maggie Seater, Ollie Hopkins, Beth Elzinga, and Annette Anderson. Please keep Ann DePelecyn and her family, Adam Reiss—son of Ellen Cardwell, Joe Ghilani - son-in- law of Leah Fisher, Stephen Goodall—grandson of Ollie and Sandy Hopkins, Hannah Yale and Kevin Liszewski—daughter and son-in-law of Debbie Yale, Mary Larscheidt—sister of Carrie Massey, Mary Jensen—sister of Elaine Jacobson, Lucille Von Rotz—mother of Diane Lehmann, and the mother of Nicole Higgs in your prayers.

**Prayers for our military**—Lt. Col Jay Brooke, Nicholas Hansen, Jordan Smith, Chad Lawrence, Kyle Sondergaard.

**Prayers for our friends**— Healing prayers for Ben Johnston-Krase and Ethan, Lt. Col. Matt Brooke—Army, Retired, and anyone going through rough times—whether emotionally, physically or spiritually.

And a special prayer for all those who lend a helping hand to make the world a brighter place for others.

**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN STAFF — JOYFULLY SERVING**

ALL OF US - Ministers  
REV. GILLIAN WEIGHTON - Senior Pastor  
REV. STEVE FRINGER - Visitation Pastor  
ALEJANDRO ALUMBREROS - Organist & Choir Director  
NANCY BUCK - Handbell Choir Director  
DORIS DESCHLER - Financial Secretary  
DODIE KERKMAN - Sexton  
SHELLEY MAURER - Church Secretary  
MARK PAFFRATH - Music Leader  
PEGGY TAYLOR - Parish Nurse

