

\*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

**"Love Divine, All Loves Excelling" [376]**

\*BENEDICTION

\*SUNG BLESSING

**[251 v. 3]**

***Lord, You are just in all Your ways,  
And kind in everything You do;  
Forever near You stand to hear  
And help all those who call on You.***

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*

*January 28, 2018*

*9:30 a.m.*

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***The 179<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Congregational  
is TODAY, directly following worship service.***

*If you need an annual report, they are located  
at the north end of the sanctuary.*

GATHERING WITH PRAISE

PRELUDE

*Alejandro Alumbremos*

FIRST THOUGHT

“The more we let God take us over, the more truly ourselves we become.”

*C. S. Lewis*

One: The Lord be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: We gather here to worship God with praise and prayer,

All: **To worship God who loved us even before we were born.**

One: We join with others throughout the world,

All: **To worship God who knows us all better than we know ourselves.**

One: From a week now ended and a new day now begun,

All: **We gather to worship God whose love never ceases.**

One: Come, let us worship together.

\*OPENING HYMN

**“Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven” [478]**

\*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

*Ken Schacht*

**Creator God, You know us better than we know ourselves.**

**When we rise each day, You give us life and the strength for living. As we lay down to rest each night, we give thanks that**

**You are ever waking and ever watchful. Forgive us when we fail to trust You. When we allow fears to haunt and uncertainty**

**to overwhelm, remind us that You are never far from us. When we see only what is wrong with our lives and fail to count our blessings, forgive us. In the name of Jesus, speak the words of forgiveness we long to hear and help us to be as kind to others as we would have them be kind to us. ~ 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

[251 v. 1]

*Your faithfulness, O Lord, is sure  
In all Your words, Your gracious deeds;  
You gently lift all burdened souls  
And well provide for all our needs.*

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

TIME FOR ALL AGES

CHANCEL CHOIR

“Rejoice and Praise the Lord”  
*by G. F. Handel*

SCRIPTURE

John 1:43-51 [N.T. p. 92]

SERMON

“Potential”  
*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.)*

\*SONG OF RESPONSE

**“O God All Knowing, God All Seeing” [Insert]**

OFFERING/OFFERTORY

## O God All Knowing, God All Seeing”



O God, all knowing, God, all seeing, search me and know my way.  
From rising up at early morn, until the close of day.

Though darkness shall come over me, though day give way to night.  
You see me still, I need not fear Your presence in my light.

O long before I knew myself, Your love knit me by hand.  
The wonders of this life astound, But You, Lord, understand.

How many are Your thoughts, O God, like sand beside the sea.  
I try to count, and though I fail, I still draw close to Thee.

God, shine upon my shadowed heart; enlighten all my way.  
And guide me by Your love, O God, through each and every day.



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!*

January 28, 2018

GREETERS: *Ken Nakayama, Karin Roach*

USHERS: *Dennis & Nancy Reeser, Julia Reeser, Ken Schacht, Pam Wortley*

PERK-N-POUR: *Royce & Barbara Earnest*

LITURGIST: *Ken Schacht*

**CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 28, 2018**

Sun., Jan. 28	9:30 <sup>AM</sup> Worship
	10:15 <sup>AM</sup> Sunday School
	10:45 <sup>AM</sup> Congregational Meeting
Mon., Jan. 29	
Tue., Jan. 30	11:00 <sup>AM</sup> Staff Meeting
Wed., Jan. 31	12:00 <sup>PM</sup> Bible Study
	7:00 <sup>PM</sup> Handbell Choir Rehearsal
	<b>Food Pantry Closed</b>
Thu., Feb. 1	2:00 <sup>PM</sup> to 4:00 <sup>PM</sup> Food Pantry
	7:00 <sup>PM</sup> Chancel Choir Rehearsal
Fri., Feb. 2	1:30 <sup>PM</sup> Delivery—Food Pantry

Please join us February 4<sup>th</sup> at 9:30<sup>AM</sup> for Worship and Communion  
Scripture reading—Genesis 6:11-22

**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



**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 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 & 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.

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After a long process, we finally have our "new" website up and running. Please check it out at: **FirstPresRacine.Org**. If you see any errors or want to suggest things of interest, please let Shelley know.

One of the great things about the new website is that it allows us to link it to our YouTube account, so that everyone is able to watch some of our previous worship services. From the website, click on media, then videos to search for one (or more) to watch!

**Thank you to all who've made this possible—especially Pam Simpson!!**

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**THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE FOR THE FOOD PANTRY:**

WED., JAN. 31<sup>ST</sup>—**Food Pantry Closed**

THURS., FEB. 1<sup>ST</sup>—*Sue Sheehan, Vi Shufelt*

Along with easy "complete" meals, hearty soups, stews and canned pasta dishes, we could also use mac & cheese, pork 'n' beans and tuna. Thank you!

