

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
2nd Sunday After Epiphany

Fort Dodge, Iowa
January 17, 2021

ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

CALL TO WORSHIP

from Job 38

The Lord says,

“Where were you when I laid the earth’s foundation?

Tell me, if you understand.

Who marked off its dimensions? Surely you know!

Have you comprehended the vast expanses of the earth?

Tell me, if you know all this.

Can you bind the chains of the Pleiades?

Can you loosen Orion’s belt?

Do you know the laws of heavens?

Can you set up God’s dominion over the earth?”

O Lord of Hosts, we praise you today.

GATHERING HYMN

#223 “O My Soul, Bless Your Redeemer”
(vs 1-4)

WELCOME

MORNING PRAYER

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, in baptism you promise forgiveness and new life, making us part of the body of Christ. We confess that we remain preoccupied with ourselves, separated from sisters and brothers in Christ. We cling to destructive habits, hold grudges, and show reluctance to welcome one another; we allow the past to hold us hostage. In your loving kindness, have mercy on us, and free us from sin. Remind us of the promises you make in baptism so that we may rise to new life, and live together in grace.

Time of silent reflection and confession...

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Hear the good news! Who is in a position to condemn? Only Christ, and Christ died for us, Christ rose for us, Christ reigns in power for us, Christ prays for us. In Christ, our sins have been forgiven. **Thanks be to God! Amen.**

#579 GLORIA PATRI

SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

CONGREGATIONAL SONG

“How Great Is Our God”

PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

A MOMENT FOR YOUNG LEADERS

The Rev. Rebecca L. Dix

SCRIPTURE READING

Exodus 20:1-11

SERMON

“Moving with Mindfulness: Worship – what is it, why it matters”
The Rev. Dr. Austin D. Hill

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Apostles' 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.**

GRATEFUL RESPONSE

<https://app.securegive.com/fpcf>

Special Music

“Thank You Jesus”

Doxology #592

Prayer of Dedication

GO IN GOD'S NAME

SENDING HYMN

#288 “I Sing the Mighty Power of God”

BLESSING AND BENEDICTION

Prayers for January 17th – 24th

Members of the Congregation:

Goldie Davis, Starla Lawler, Shelly Sanford,
Duane Amhof & Jaci Steib for the loss of her
sister-in-law & Teri Jackson for the loss of her father

Friends of the Church:

Lisa Martin & Heather Royster's Father

Prayer Families:

Gerald Will (Tjaden)
David & Lisa Wilson
James & Judy Wood
Jill Yriarte

Pray for: (a ministry in our Presbytery; a ministry in Fort Dodge)

Salem Church of Lincoln, Lincoln – Rev. Barb Muhs &
Christ Lutheran Church – Pastor Craig Miller

Elder of the day is Judy Sheker.

2020 Year End Contribution Statements

Statements have been mailed. If you haven't received yours,
please call the office or email Amy at amyc@firstpresfd.org.

Ministry Team Training

There will be no in-person ministry team training this year. We will
provide a recording that will be accessible on and after Tuesday,
January 19th at our website: www.fpcfd.org/MTtraining.

Youth Group


Spring programs begin this week. Please hand in your elementary
registration forms to Pastor Rebecca if you haven't already.

Annual Meeting

The annual congregational meeting will be on February 21st. More
details to come as we approach the meeting date.

Take-Out Meals

We will offer take-out meals on Wednesday, January 27th and
Wednesday, February 17th. Meals will be available between 5:00
pm and 6:00 pm or until we run out of food. Meals can be picked
up on 4th Avenue North on the south end of the CLC. There will be
a sign posted outside.

This is the bulletin for Sunday, January 17th. Please use this to
follow along while we broadcast the service. Tune in to our
YouTube Channel: FPC Fort Dodge  and our Facebook
page at 10:30 am. You can access both of these channels
from our website by clicking on these icons:



First Presbyterian Church
1111 5th Avenue North, Fort Dodge, Iowa
Pastors, Austin D. Hill, Sara C.R. Hill, Rebecca L. Dix
Director of Music, Gabriel Alves
A/V Tech. & Comm. Media Coordinator, Mary Alves
515-576-2091

January 17, 2021

Website: www.fpcfd.org

YouTube: FPC Fort Dodge



O My Soul, Bless Your Redeemer 223

STUTTGART 8.7.8.7

Para. in *The Book of Psalms*, 1871; alt. 1972, 1988 Witt's *Psalmodia Sacra*, 1715
As in *Hymns Ancient and Modern*, 1861

1. O my soul, bless your Re - deem - er; All with - in me
 2. God for - gives all your trans - gres - sions, All dis - eas - es
 3. Far as east from west is dis - tant, God has put a -
 4. As it was with - out be - gin - ning, So it lasts with -

bless God's name; Bless the Sav - ior, and for - get not
 gen - tly heals; God re - deems you from de - struc - tion,
 way our sin; Like the pit - y of a fa - ther
 out an end; To their chil - dren's chil - dren ev - er

All God's mer - cies to pro - claim;
 And with you so kind - ly deals.
 Has the Lord's com - pas - sion been.
 Shall God's righ - teous - ness ex - tend:

- 5. Unto such as keep God's covenant
 And are steadfast in God's way;
 Unto those who still remember
 The commandments and obey.
- 6. Bless your Maker, all you creatures,
 Ever under God's control,
 All throughout God's vast dominion;
 Bless the Lord of all, my soul!

Isaac Watts, 1715; alt.

1. I sing the might-y power of God That made the moun-tains rise;
 2. I sing the good-ness of the Lord That filled the earth with food;
 3. There's not a plant or flower be-low But makes Thy glo - ries known;

That spread the flow-ing seas a - broad And built the loft - y skies.
 God formed the crea-tures with a word And then pro-nounced them good.
 And clouds a - rise, and tem-pests blow, By or - der from Thy throne;

I sing the wis-dom that or - dained The sun to rule the day;
 Lord, how Thy won-ders are dis - played, Wher - e'er I turn my eyes;
 While all that bor-rows life from Thee Is ev - er in Thy care,

The moon shines full at God's com-mand, And all the stars o - bey.
 If I sur - vey the ground I tread, Or gaze up - on the skies!
 And ev - ery - where that we can be, Thou, God, art pres-ent there.