

10:00 a.m. Worship Service

I AM

March 1, 2026

PRELUDE *Blessed Assurance* arr. J. Bert Carlson

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

For the gracious dismissal of Rev. Dr. Myungku Lee

PREPARING OUR HEARTS FOR WORSHIP

CHORAL INTROIT *Many Are the Tongues We Speak* Isao Koizumi
(Hymn 311, vs.2)

*CALL TO WORSHIP

LEADER: The Lord is merciful and gracious,

PEOPLE: **slow to anger and abounding in love.**

LEADER: Our faith depends upon the grace of God.

PEOPLE: **Praise the Lord, who gives life to the dead.**

LEADER: Jesus calls us to be his disciples.

PEOPLE: **We take up the cross to follow him.**

*PRAYER OF INVOCATION

*OPENING HYMN *My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less* SOLID ROCK
(No. 353)

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Almighty God, you despise nothing you have made, and you forgive the sins of all who are penitent. Create in us new and contrite hearts, that, truly repenting of our sins and acknowledging our brokenness, we may obtain from you, the God of all mercy, full pardon and forgiveness, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Redeemer. (Silent Confession)

*SUNG RESPONSE *Come Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy* RESTORATION
(No. 415) **Choir**

Come, ye sinners, poor and needy,
weak and wounded, sick and sore;
Jesus ready stands to save you,
full of pity, love, and power.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Hear the Good News: *In Christ, we are forgiven. Let us live into our forgiveness and find peace.*

*RESPONSE TO FORGIVENESS

(No. 415) *Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy* RESTORATION
Congregation

I will arise and go to Jesus;
He will embrace me in his arms.
In the arms of my dear Savior,
O there are ten thousand charms

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

YOUTH SERMON

Chuck Horvath

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

OFFERING OF GIFTS AND TITHES

OFFERTORY—CHANCEL CHOIR

Shepherd Me, O God

Marty Haugen

(see Hymn 473 – congregation, please join in singing the refrains)

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

SERMON

I Am the Truth

John 10: 1-6, 11, 15:1-5

Rev. Dr. Daren Hofmann

CELEBRATION OF COMMUNION

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

GREAT THANKSGIVING

LEADER: The Lord be with you

PEOPLE: *And also with you.*

LEADER: Lift up your hearts.

PEOPLE: *We lift them to the Lord.*

LEADER: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

PEOPLE: *It is right to give our thanks and praise.*

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

SHARING OF THE ELEMENTS

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION (UNISON)

Eternal God, as you fed your people in the wilderness with unexpected food, so you feed us at this table with a simple loaf and cup. Here you transform us, by the working of your wondrous love. Now send us out to be Christ's body in your broken and beautiful world to bear your good news of hope and joy for all. Amen

SENDING FORTH

*CLOSING HYMN *Blessed Assurance, Jesus is Mine!* ASSURANCE
(No. 839)

*BENEDICTION

*BENEDICTION RESPONSE

Grant, O God, An Age Renewed
(Hymn 311, vs.4)

Isao Koizumi

POSTLUDE

Toccata

Johann Speth

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*Please stand as you are able.

MUSIC NOTES

This morning's choral introit and benediction response continue introducing an unfamiliar song from our *Glory to God* hymnal, "Here, O Lord, Your Servants Gather" (#311), that references Jesus's "I am the way, truth, and the life" statement from John 14:6. We invite you to listen intently, as we will sing this hymn congregationally next week.



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TODAY'S SERVANTS

LITURGIST: Jan Stratton
USHERS: Missy Arnold and P.J. Froenicke
GREETERS: Jason Arnold and Karen Hayden
COMMUNION SERVERS: Jan Stratton, Julia Wadsworth, Jason Arnold and Karen Hayden
ASSISTANT TO PASTOR: Larry Ottinger

PLEASE REMEMBER TO SIGN THE FRIENDSHIP PADS, LOCATED AT THE BACK OF THE PEWS, SO THAT ALL OF US HERE MAY KNOW ONE ANOTHER.

Welcome to our spiritual home.
Thank you for investing this time with us.

THIS WEEK:

Sunday, March 1

8:30 a.m. Sunday School Class
(Fellowship Hall)
10:00 a.m. Worship Service
(Sanctuary)
11:00 a.m. International
Congregation Worship
Service (Chapel)
12:30 p.m. Language School
(Fellowship Hall)

Monday, March 2

4:00 p.m. Ministry Guild
(Lounge)
4:00 p.m. Personnel Committee
(Conference Room)
5:00 p.m. Called Mission Meeting
(Youth Hall)

Tuesday, March 3

7:00 p.m. Deacons Zoom Meeting
7:00 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous
(Fellowship Hall)

Wednesday, March 4

12:30 p.m. Lent Lunch & Learn
(Hazelwood)
7:00 p.m. Bible Study
(Conference Room)

Thursday, March 5

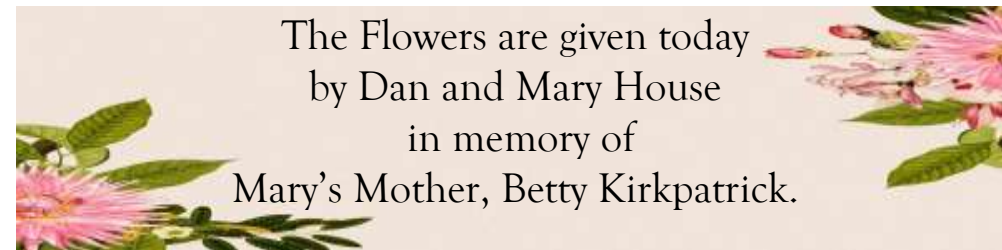
9:30 a.m. Stitcher's Group
(Lounge)
6:00 p.m. Recovery Circle Group
(Conference Room)
7:00 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous
(Fellowship Hall)
7:30 p.m. Choir Rehearsal
(Choir Room)

Friday, March 6

10:00 a.m. International Bible Study
(Zoom)
11:30 a.m. Finance Committee
(Conference Room)

Saturday, March 7

No events scheduled.



The Flowers are given today
by Dan and Mary House
in memory of
Mary's Mother, Betty Kirkpatrick.

Large print bulletins and hearing devices
are available upon request.

Children's Sunday School available after the Youth Sermon.
We love & appreciate our young families!

The Mission of First Presbyterian Church is...
To be transformed by Christ, to share God's Word and love through...
Worship Discipleship Mission Fellowship
...within our congregation, community, and the world.

A special greeting to our visitors...

Welcome to our spiritual home. First Presbyterian Church fulfills its mission through Spirit-filled worship, essential and exciting mission projects that reach from Muncie to the third world, warm fellowship, and educational opportunities that encourage young and old to grow in love and understanding of Jesus our Savior. Thanks for joining us and investing in this life with us.