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NEWSLETTER



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GOD.

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HIS SON.

LOVING
ONE ANOTHER.



*First
Presbyterian
Church
Huron SD*



We've Got Mail

Hello,

This December, my husband and I received two Study Bibles from the church. Thank you for providing such a tangible resource for our faith journey! Please accept the enclosed donation as a symbol of our gratitude. Thanks for making a difference and sharing God's light with the community! A'lice & Matt Mathison.

Thank you to the Deacons for the beautiful flower you sent, and to everyone else for the cards, phone calls and well wishes, and most especially for all your prayers. What a wonderful church family I have!

Sincerely, Donna Amundson

To the Deacons,

I do want you to know how much I appreciate the visits, the bulletins, the fact that you bring communion here. Making the decision to come here, selling my house, parting with all my things was not easy but all of you have made all of it easier because I am still a part of our church family and all the visits make that clear to me, You care.

I have always enjoyed seeing all the poinsettias on the steps on a Sunday before Christmas—so beautiful. However, during all those years I never dreamed that I would be a recipient of one of them. Thank you all so much, it is still lovely.

Sincerely, Deannie LeRoux

To the Presbyterian Deacons.

Thank you so very much for the card, the beautiful flowers, your thoughts and prayers. What an absolute day brightener.

Steve Peters

My deepest appreciation to all who do so much for me, for the beautiful poinsettia plant. It is gorgeous.

For the deacons who deliver my CD every week and stop to chat. Cant' thank you enough,

Sincerely, Mahalia

I want to thank you for the beautiful poinsettia that the deacons gave me, and PW ladies for the handy calendar!

They are much appreciated.

Sincerely, JoAnn Long

Thank you for the Christmas card from the circle members. It is nice you remembered me. I wish I could be there to join you in a meeting!. Ruth Winter

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"...his only Son, our Lord."



Have we tamed Jesus? Made him small and domestic in our eyes?

In the Apostles' Creed we affirm that Jesus is God's "*only Son, our Lord*." The phrase "*only Son*" comes from Bible verses like John 1:18, 3:16, and 3:18, which refer to Jesus as the "*only-begotten Son*" of God. "Begotten" is not a word we use much nowadays, but the general idea that the Creed and Bible are getting at is this: Jesus was never created by God, but rather has *always* lived in eternal dependence upon the Father, sharing in the exact same divine nature, united in the love of the Holy Spirit.

The mind-blowing miracle of Christianity is that this fully-divine Son became the fully-human Jesus of Nazareth. Love prompted this miracle! Reminds me how back in August 1957 four climbers were climbing the 6,000 foot near-vertical North Face in the Swiss Alps. Two climbers disappeared and were never heard from again. Two others, exhausted and dying, were stuck on two narrow ledges a thousand feet below the summit. The Swiss Alpine Club forbade rescue attempts in this area (too dangerous), but a small group of Swiss climbers decided to launch a private rescue effort to save them. They lowered a man named Alfred Hellepart down the 6,000 ft North Face on a cable a fraction of an inch thick.

Hellepart later said: "As I was lowered down the summit ... my comrades on top grew further and further distant, until they disappeared from sight. At this moment I felt an indescribable aloneness. Then for the first time I peered down the abyss of the North Face. The terror of the sight robbed me of breath. ...The brooding blackness of the Face,



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falling away in almost endless expanse beneath me, made me look with awful longing to the thin cable disappearing about me in the mist. I was a tiny human being dangling in space between heaven and hell. The sole relief from terror was my mission to save the climber below."

That is the heart of Jesus' story. We were trapped, but in the person of Jesus, God lowered himself into the abyss of our sin and suffering. In Jesus, God became "a tiny human being dangling between heaven and hell." He did it to save you and me. So then, the gospel is much more than another religion telling us how to behave. It's the story of the Son of God risking everything for you.

This story confronts you today: *For if the eternal Son of God has risked all to come to you*, it isn't our part to speculate about it and scale it down and tame it and manage it, but rather to wonder and adore and love and exalt Jesus Christ our Lord!

Grace & Peace,
Pastor Andrew

CENTS ABILITY UPDATE...

Holy Buckets Penny Offering January \$225.00
1/3 Hunger Program, 1/3 Men's Prayer Breakfast/Salvation Army meat, 1/3 Helping Hands for food.
Total for year 2019 \$225.00

Dear Friends,
On behalf of the Great Plains Wee Kirk Team, I want to thank you again for your faithful continued support of our ministry. The res, renewal and spiritual education is invaluable to all those who attend.

Thank you for helping to make it possible
Grace & Peace Kevin Nofel

February Funerals

CAKE PROVIDERS AND WORKERS

Bob & Ann Meyer, Dennis & Kathy Meyer, Hugh & LeeAnn Miner, Jill Minske, Jay & Peggy Morris, Karen Mueller, Bill & Stephanie Myers, Pat Nagel, Donna Nelson, Larry & Keitha Neuharth, Leroy & Judy Neuharth, Robert & Marilyn Packard, Kevin & JoLynne Parmely, Tom & Kathy Perrenoud, Robert & Venessa Perrenoud



Thank you to all who submitted their reports in a timely manner for the annual report. Please make the following corrections:

- Table of Contents-2018-2019 Budgets
- Page 4, add Doug Pietz as an Elder, Dick Biel was misspelled.
- Page 28 Salvation Army Christmas Basket should be \$50.00 and HRMC Hospice \$25.00 and Greg Hepper as the treasurer.

February Celebrations

Birthdays: Lila Bawdon 87, Helen Clark 90, Norma Bonnes 95, Marilyn Rogers 94, Roland Amick 93

Do something special for your **February Birthday** by donating a penny for each year of your age to the PW's Birthday Box in the east room. You will help fund their mission projects Have a special happy birthday!



PW Safe Birth Campaign

Quarters save lives!

100 quarters saves one life.

Deposit quarters in the Blue Tube in the East Room

The Presbyterian Women would like to thank Jamie Peterson and Alissa Crandall and all of those who made Christmas purchases of Mary Kay, Premier Jewelry and made separate donations. This has helped us continue our mission projects through 2019

Sewing Day February 9th!

9:00 am – 3:00 pm

Soup will be served for lunch,
you may bring a dish/dessert to share.

Dresses for Africa, shorts and diapers are
made on this day.



THANK YOU to everyone who helped deliver the Meals on
Wheels the icy, snowy week of January 21-25!

Sandy Eden

1st Presbyterian Church.

Thank you very much for your cash gift given to the Backpack Program. We continue to be blessed by 1st Presby Church in supporting our program to help children in Huron and the surrounding areas with weekend food items. Your gift helps over 400 children each week with food. Thanks again for your generous gift!

Sincerely, Brenda Arteman,
Backpack Advisory Committee

Why Do Our Stained-Glass Windows Have *Palm Trees*?



Have you noticed the palm trees in our stained-glass windows at church?

Christian art is often symbolic, with recurring images referring to certain beliefs. Palms are typically the emblem of *martyrs* in Christian pictures. In Revelation 7:9-10, John sees a vision of heaven, and in it there is "...a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, tribe, people and language, standing before the throne and before the Lamb. They were wearing white robes and were holding palm branches in their hands." So when you see the palm windows, remember that following Christ means *suffering for Christ*. Jesus said, "Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me." And remember that when we take up our crosses and follow him, our path ends around his throne! Remember that we are to be like those beautiful windows. We glow and radiate only when Christ's light is shining *through us*.

Grace & Peace,
Pastor Andrew

Sundays



Sunday School begins @ 9:10am 3yrs-K, 1st-3rd, 4th & 5th, 6th-8th, 9th-12th & Adults Classes.

Worship at 10:30

Men's Prayer Breakfast

The men meet for breakfast the 1st and 3rd Sunday of the month at 8:00 am at the Plains for breakfast.

Wednesday Activities

Ash Wednesday service 7:15, Feb. 14.

PW Circle meets the 2nd Wednesday at 1:30 February 14, 2018 Covenant Group meets the 3rd Wednesday at 11:00 am

Covenant

Praise Team meets at 5:10
Praise Team & Choir Choir at 6:30

1st—8th grade, Senior Highs meet for a meal at 6:00 pm.

Logos

Bible Study **Thursdays**

A non-denominational bible study meets at 9:30 weekly

Baylee Vonne Brewer, daughter of Lindsey and Charles, born 11/2/2018, was baptized Jan. 6, 2019



Attendance

<u>Sunday School</u>		<u>Worship</u>	
<u>Date</u>	<u>#</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>#</u>
01/07/18-	34	01/06/19	46
01/14/18-	47	01/13/19	40
01/21/18-	40	01/20/19	34
01/28/18-	46	01/27/19	36
		01/07/18 -	115
		01/14/18-	132
		01/21/18 -	123
		01/28/18-	110
		01/06/2018 Communion	148

SS Youth Offering Jan. 2019 \$10.25

SS Adult Offering Jan. 2019 \$63.00

January Giving	Loose offerings	\$	230.00
	Per Capita		350.10
	Estimated Giving		16,828.00
	Benevolence		420.00
	Misc. Offering (PW)		150.00
	Stained Glass Windows		884.00
	Holy Buckets		375.00
Total Contributions:		\$	19,237.10

Elder of the Month:

Dough Pietz

Deacon of the Month:

Brenda Peterson

Elders & Deacons Ordained and Installed January 6, 2019

Elders

Matt Gilbert

Lisa Gogolin

Tiffanie Kouf

Cris Peterson

Brandon VanOverschelde

Deacons

Eric Bliss

Barb Daugherty

Brenda Peterson

Dillon Peterson

Darlene Sabers



To: Family and friends of James Pownell



Members

Ron & Sharon Hastings
Cam & Melba Galliger
Bev Erdahl

David Hook
Dwayne Poulisse
Steve Peters

Ada Pownell
Jill Reimer
Darrell Briscoe

Family & Friends

Jack Alexander (Kathleen Amundson's grandson)
Michaela Biel
Joyce (Vemlicka) Gardner (Sharon Hastings' cousin)
Pastor Heather Jepsen (Chuck Groth's niece)
Peggy Jones (David Hook's friend)
Todd Paye (Maxine's Son)
Linda Spencer (Ruth Kelley's daughter)
Dan Schlader (friend of Deannie LeRoux)
Michael Whitman (Sharon Hastings brother)

Assisted Living, Nursing Homes & Home Bound

Sun Quest Village: Shirley Fullerton, Lorraine Jacobson,
Jo Long, Idel McDonald, Eva Vilhauer, Sara Jorgensen,
Deannie LeRoux, Maxine Paye

Stoney Brook Suites: Joyce Reiter

Country View Estates: Darrell Briscoe

Sun Quest Healthcare: Henry Sievers, Kathleen Amundson,
Bev Erdahl,

Violet Tschetter: Ione Buckley, Ada Pownell

Out-of-Town Nursing Homes: Jill Baker, Madelyn Nickelson,
Ruth Winter

Courtyard Apts: Marilyn Rogers

Home Bound: Mahalia Connell

Sioux Falls Assisted Living: Norma Bonnes

Heritage Place Rapid City: Donald Urquhart

Military Personnel and Families

President Trump
Prison Inmates

Government Officials
Military Personnel & families



Valentine's Day Dinner

You are Cordially Invited

To an Evening of Fine Dining

First Presbyterian Church

Saturday, February 9, 2019

Seasoned Grilled Pork Loin

Garlic Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans Almandine
 Salad and Desserts

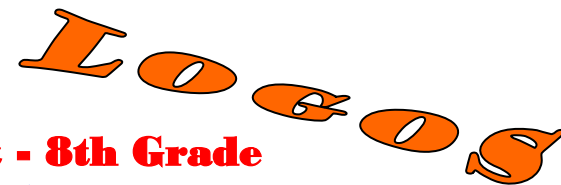
Serving dinner beginning at 6:00 PM

Stay as long as you wish

\$15.00 per person

Call 352-8789 for reservations

Child Care and Deliveries



1st - 8th Grade

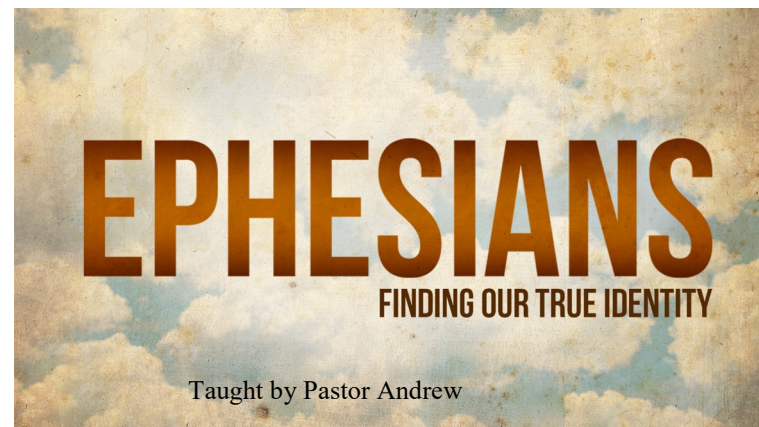
Schedule

- Feb. 6** Family time, bible Study, Worship Arts/Rec
13 Family time, bible Study, Worship Arts/Rec
20 Family time, bible Study, Worship Arts/Rec
27 Mission Night-Scavenger Hunt
March 6 Family time, bible Study, Ash Wednesday/
 Attend Worship with family

Christian Education

Adult Bible Studies

9:10 am (Fellowship Hall)





February 2019



Sun

Mon


Tue

Wed

Thu

Fri

Sat

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3 Men's Prayer Breakfast 8:00 Sunday School 9:10 Worship 10:30 Holy Buckets	4	5	6 Praise Team 5:10 LOGOS 6:00 Senior High 6:00 Adult Choir 6:30	7	8	9 Sewing Day 9-3  Valentine Supper 6:00
10 Sunday School 9:10 Worship 10:30 Communion Helen Clark 90	11	12 Jackie Sievers 73 Ch. Ed. 6:30 Fin./Steward 6:30 Miss./Evan. 6:30 Bldg./Gr. 7:00 Church Life 7:00 Worship/Music Session 7:30	13 Circle/PW 1:30 Praise Team 5:10 LOGOS 6:00 Senior High 6:00 Adult Choir 6:30 Norma Bones 95	14 	15 Marilyn Rogers 94	16
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