#### JANUARY 2018

### **NEWSLETTER**











First
Presbyterian
Church
Huron SD

#### We've Got Mail



Thank you to the Deacons of the Presbyterian Church for the beautiful red Poinsettia.

Sincerely, Ruth Winter

Many Thanks to the Deacons for all the calls and remembrances throughout the year. I surely enjoy the tapes each week, I so look forward to them. New Years Blessings! Lorraine Jacobson

Thank You to the Deacons for the Poinsettia.

Joanne Long

Thank You Deacons very much for the pretty flowers. Roxy Gogolin

Thank You!! To the several Deacons for bringing the Sunday program and to Adele, who brought the beautiful Poinsettia to me. The plant has brightened my Christmas Season.

Shirley Fullerton

FPC Deacons
Thank you for the real nice Christmas
Poinsettia.
Eva Vilhauer

Deacons, Thank You for the flower, I so enjoy & appreciate all you do.

Kathleen Amundson

Thanks so much for the lovely flowers.
They really brighten the season.
Madelyn Nickelson

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If you could make Jesus one request, what would it be? For the ability to cure cancer? To feed the hungry? To end all wars? The Gospel of Luke records a rather different request: "One of Jesus' disciples said to him, 'Lord, teach us to pray!' And Jesus said to them, 'When you pray, say, Our Father..." (Luke 11:1-2). Of all the things they could ask from Jesus, they wanted to know how to *pray*?

It seems almost prosaic to us. Yet, I believe that Jesus' followers had learned something crucial: Jesus' power and authority, his kindness and compassion, his wisdom and teaching, his beauty and spirit – all derived from his relationship with God, and his relationship with God centered on his practice of prayer. So, wanting to be more and more like the master, they realized they needed to pray more like the master.

In response, Jesus gives what we often call the "Lord's Prayer." We've learned this prayer by heart and frequently repeat it in worship. However, we *must take care* for two reasons. First, Jesus himself warns us against "vain repetition" in our prayers (Matt 6:7-8). Heaping up unthinking phrases does nobody any good! Second, on one of the occasions he taught his prayer (Matt 6:9-13), Jesus specifically says to pray, "in this manner." In other words, Jesus didn't mean for us to simply memorize and parrot his words, but to pray like him. The "Lord's Prayer" is actually a model and a guide for our conversations with God. Don't get me wrong. I'm not against repeating the Lord's Prayer nor praying it together in worship. Saying the Lord's words over and over engraves these ideas deep into our hearts. Yet, repetition must be mindful to be helpful. Over the next the few months, we'll be looking more closely at what the Lord's Prayer means and how to pray more like Jesus.

Let's start at the beginning. While commonplace to us, Jesus' opening words, "Our Father in heaven" are revolutionary! Bible scholars have found that *no* other Jewish teacher addressed God as "Father." The other rabbis realized it would be incredibly arrogant to call the Creator of the all that is, "Father." Unless, of course, you *are the son* of God. Accordingly, Jesus the Son calls God, "Father,"

in every one of his recorded prayers but one! And he invites us to speak to God as Father even as he does.

But how is this possible? The scripture says that through Christ, we are *adopted* into God's family, becoming God's children. Now we too can speak to God, saying, "Abba! Father!" (Gal 4:4-5).

Do you see it? Jesus teaches us to pray by first *drawing us into his unique relationship with God the Father*. He's teaching us to relate to God the way he does! These four little words should increase our joy and wonder in prayer. The eternal, infinite, almighty God wants us to come as little children in the family, always more ready to hear us and bless us than we are to come!

Grace & Peace, Pastor Andrew

#### **CENTS ABILITY UPDATE...**

Holy Buckets Penny Offering December \$942.00
Included a match by The Kelly's

1/3 Hunger Program, 1/3 Men's Prayer Breakfast/Salvation Army
meat, 1/3 Helping Hands for food.
Total for year 2017 \$4908.99

### January Funerals CAKE PROVIDERS AND WORKERS

Terry & Marla Bawdon, Ruth Bennett, Dick & Pam Biel, Kathie Bostrom, Darrell Briscoe, Iris Brown, Ione Buckley, Robert & Sabrena Brooks, Janice Christensen, Helen Clark, Becky Casper, Diane Clayton, Alissa Crandall, Barb Daugherty, Joan Daugherty, David & Cheryl Davidson.

Do something special for your January Birthday by donating a penny for each year of your age to the PW birthday box in the east hall.



PW Safe Birth Campaign
Quarters save lives!
100 quarters saves one life.
Deposit quarters in the Blue Tube in the East Room



Committee Chair reports for 2017 are due January 10th to enable the office to have the annual report put together in time for the Congregational meeting January 28.

Presbyterian Women had a Christmas Party at the Violet Tschetter Home and gave large print Calendars to each resident. This is just one of their many mission projects.



Other local projects include, Salvation Army Christmas basket, treats for the Sunday School and postage to mail the Operation Christmas Child boxes.



**Sunday School** begins @ 9:10am beginning January 7, 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

Circle meets the 2nd Wednesday at 1:30 January 10,

Covenant Group meets the 3rd Wednesday at 11:00 am





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

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

## **Thursdays**

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











### **Christian Education**



#### **Schedule**

2017 Sunday **School Program** 

Jan. Family time, bible Study, Worship Arts/Rec Family time, bible Study, Worship Arts/Rec

Family time, bible Study, Worship Arts/Rec **17** 

**25** Family time, bible Study, Worship Arts/Rec

31 Ice Skating /Drop off at the church, pick up at the Bergman arena

Family time, bible Study, Worship Arts/Rec Feb.





#### Did you know...

That the next big church project is to re-lead, clean, and repair the church's stained glass windows and new storm windows? The Session voted to approve the project that was supposed to have begun in 2017 but will begin, instead, in 2018. Because we have so many beautiful windows, it is necessary to spread the cost out to 2 or more years.

It is a costly project (what isn't?). If anyone would like to purchase a window to rebuild, please contact Jeannette in the office. The Session appreciates that members of First Presbyterian Church have been so receptive to all the projects that help to improve our beautiful church. A special thank you to the Buildings and Grounds Committee for all your hard work!

#### Did you know....

That Presbyterians are a group of Protestants whose church is founded this concept of democratic rule under the Word of God. The Presbyterian denomination is a form of Christianity democratically organized to embrace the faith common to all Christians. All that is required to be a Presbyterian is to:

Confess the Christian faith

**Trust** in Christ as our forgiving savior

**Promise** to follow Christ and Christ's example of living

**Commit** oneself to attend church & to become involved in its work.

#### Did you know...

That we have 2 stated annual congregation meetings each year? The January meeting's **primary purpose** is to approve the pastor's call and budget. Next meeting will be 1/28/2018. Be sure to here!

#### **New Babies:**

Logan & Krissa Korkow are the proud parents of a son Baylor Alan born December 12.. Proud grandparents are Jay & Peggy Morris, Terry Smith and great grandparents are Stan Kopfmann and Calajean Kopfmann



Brinley Linae Lawrence daughter of Kaleisha Lawrence was born Dec. 8 2017. Proud grandparents are Bill & Stephanie Myers.

**New Baptized member:** Kenna Cowan, daughter of Pat & Brittni Cowan and granddaughter of Keith and Corinne Decker.



#### **January Celebrations**

Birthdays: Marlene Gamber 82, Joyce Reiter 88

Anniversaries: Dalmer & Jo Polly 22, Jim & Jill Reimer 37,

Gary & Roxi Gogolin 39



To: Family and friends of Roger Bierstedt To: family and friends of Dr. John Wollman



#### **Military Personnel and Families**

President Trump Government Officials

Prison Inmates Military Personnel & families

#### **Assisted Living, Nursing Homes & Home Bound**

**Sun Quest Village:** Shirley Fullerton, Sara Jorgensen

Lorraine Jacobson, Idel McDonald, Eva Vilhauer

<u>Stoney Brook Suites:</u> Madelyn Nickelson, Joyce Reiter <u>Sun Quest Healthcare:</u> Henry Sievers, Kathleen Amundson,

Violet Tschetter: Ione Buckley

Out-of-Town Nursing Homes: Jill Baker,

Courtyard Apts: Marilyn Rogers, Ruth Winters

Home Bound: Mahalia Connell

<u>Sioux Falls Assisted Living</u>: Norma Bonnes <u>Somerset Court, Rapid City</u>: Don Urquhart

Sunday School

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#### **Attendance**

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12/11/16 4	8 12/10/15	38	12/11/2016-237	12/10/2017 - 160
12/18/16 1	8 12/17/15	34	12/18/2016-119	12/17/2017 – 210
			12/24/2016-305	12/24/2017 - 101
				12/24/ Eve – 275
			Communion 238	Communion-220
			12/25/2016-48	12/31/2017 –

#### **Elder of the Month:**

Cris Peterson
Brandon VanOverschelde

**Deacon of the Month:** 

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Pam Biel

#### Members

David Hook
Dwayne Poulisse
Jerry Galliger
JoAnn Long
Madelyn Nickelson
Kathleen Amundson

Roger Tarbox
Don Urquhart
Charles (Al) Katz
Alan Schmidt
Ron Reed
Ada Pownell

Cobbie Magness Bev Erdahl Ron Hastings Joyce Reiter Melba Galliger Vi Magness

#### Friends & family

Jack Alexander

Michaela Biel (Dick & Pam Biel's daughter-in-law)

Molly Channell

Dale Crump (Galliger's son-in-law)

Kim Crump (Galliger's daughter)

Claudia Frey (former member)

Rick Featherstone (friend of Dawn Meink)

Joyce Gardner (Sharon Hastings cousin)

Jason Gehrt (Madelyn Nickelson's grandson-in-law)

Larry Claypool (Renea Katz's father)

Wayne Granum (Chuck Groth's brother in law)

Arbadella Huber (Dick Biel's aunt)

Reese Krynauw, (granddaughter of Christ & Laurie Marcus)

Kenneth Kruger (Brenda Schmidt's uncle Gladys Hrdlicka (Donna Meiers' mother) Tami Israel (friend of Barb Peterson)

Cloe Jesson (Marlene Gamber's friend).

Mary Louise & Leslie Jensen (Brenda Schmidt's parents)

Timothy LeRoux (Deannie's son)

Janelle Martinez (Louise Van Poll's friend in the Peace Corp)

Kim Mattke (Dawn Meink's friend) Glen Millage (Pastor Andrew's uncle) Delbert Minske (friend of Barb Peterson) Patricia Moore (Greg Hepper's aunt)

Bernie Moore (Jason Lemke's father in law)

Susan Munion (Galliger's friend)

Marian (Wold) Martin (friend of Lori Magness)

Kathi Mueller (wife of Mike and daughter-in-law of Karen)

Priscilla Mueller (Dick Biel's aunt) Al & Jean Neifer (friends of Galliger's)

Ron & Doretta Nelson (sister of Berneice Muilenburg)

Leore Nixion (friend of Barb Peterson)

Dean Remington (Madelyn Nickelson's son-in-law)

Melvin Schlimgen (Donna Hepper's dad) Marilyn Schiekoff (Phyllis Lemke's sister)

Sonnie Schimke (grandson of Merle Schimke)

Marcia Pietz Solie

Patricia (Arth) & Louie Timp (friends of Ron & Sharon Hastings)

James Teer (Mona Kotas' brother-in-law)

Norm Tofflemire

Mike Warburton (friend of David Hook and Michaela Biels's grandfather)

Amy Weller (Dar King's daughter)





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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed		Thu	Fri	Sat
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7 Men's Prayer Breakfast 8:00 Sunday School 9:10 Worship 10:30 Holy Buckets Communion	8	9 Ch. Ed.       6:30         Fin./Steward       6:30         Miss./Evan.       6:30         Bldg./Gr.       7:00         Church Life       7:00         Worship/Music       7:00	10 Circle Praise Team LOGOS Senior High Adult Choir	1:30 5:10 6:00 6:00 6:30	11	12	13 Marlene Gamber 82
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