



THE STEEPLE

August 2023

FIRST UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

WINTERSSET, IA

The mission of the First United Presbyterian Church is to make disciples of all people for the glory of God through teaching, caring and worshiping.

Getting to Know You

So sang Anna, the British schoolteacher in the 1956 musical, *“The King and I”*. Interestingly, Deborah Kerr who played Anna did not actually sing the song. It was another singer whose voice was dubbed in. Ironically, the song’s title seems to contradict what was actually taking place!

Still, it is my hope that in the months and years to come, I will get to know each of you and you will get to know me. I am curious to know your history, your hobbies, what excites you, what concerns you. What are the things you love to do? In turn, I hope you will enjoy getting to know me.

My current schedule will have me in the office every Wednesday and depending on the week, either Tuesday or Thursday. I will be preaching twice a month and teaming with your very gifted lay preaching team of Kevin, Paul, and Donna. On an aside, you may not realize how blessed you are to have such a committed and gifted group of lay leaders. I know of many larger churches who would be **GREEN** with envy to have at least one such person: you have three!

My plan is spend my Wednesday afternoons visiting with you in either your homes, or if you would prefer, in my office. Please call the church office if you would like a visit or use the sign-up sheet on the bulletin board by Fellowship Hall.

Getting to know one another is an on-going process of discovery. Even those who have been happily married for 50+ years are still learning about each other. As a church we gather together because we also want to get to know God better. We learn from God’s Word, from worshipping and serving together.

But what is both exciting and a bit scary is that God already knows us better than we even know ourselves, even the number of hairs on our heads! (Luke 12:7) But while that knowledge may be a bit frightening, we are immediately told, *“Do not be afraid, for we are more valuable than the many sparrows”* that God also cares for.

- Pastor Dave



Mark your Calendars...An Outdoor Worship is planned for August 6 at 9 am at the Winterset City Park North Shelter. Bring your lawn chair and enjoy the last days of summer!



We pray for...

- Nolan Collins
- Hal Jackson
- Sally Leeper
- Tish McKee
- Darla Millhollin
- Those known only to God

"Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God."
Philippians 4:6

AUGUST 5, 2023

1-4 PM

**PRESBYTERIAN REFUGEE MINISTRY
NETWORK PLANNING MEETING
Collegiate Presbyterian Church, Ames, Iowa**

If you have any questions or if you cannot attend in person but would like to participate via Zoom, please contact Amgad Beblawi at amgad@presbyteries.org or 502-592-3223. RSVP not required but appreciated to amgad@presbyteries.org.

"Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it." Hebrews 13:2

SESSION

The session is the governing council for the local church in Presbyterian polity. The word "session" comes from sessio, Latin for "to sit" as in sitting to deliberate or talk about something.

Class of 2023

Paul Millhollin
Ruth Reed

Class of 2024

Kevin de Regnier
Joe Ekdahl
Tish McKee

Class of 2025

Pam Deichmann
Lori Ryner

Rev. Dave Endriss

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CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

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BIRTHDAYS

Dalene Davies-Smoot	Aug 6
JoAnn Collins	Aug 14
Joe Orton	Aug 20
Carol Jacobs	Aug 30
Maxwell Landers	Sept 1
Macy Landers	Sept 2
Jake Al-Mazroa	Sept 6
Maven Smith	Sept 11
Pat Kuhns	Sept 12
Brian Dickerson	Sept 13
Layla Neal	Sept 13
Taylor Pashek	Sept 15
Ted Gorman	Sept 16
Jaelyn Orton	Sept 17
Steve Walker	Sept 21

ANNIVERSARIES

Kevin & Rae de Regnier	Aug 1
Mike & Chery White	Aug 3
Paul & Cathy Bruett	Aug 6
Bryce & Gentry Landers	Aug 16
Dean & Kit Schantz	Aug 18
Mike & Pat Dickerson	Aug 29
Joe & Jen Orton	Sept 17

Please let the office know of any changes to this list. Thank you!

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

July 30

Donna Vaughan
Worship Leader

August 6

Outdoor Worship
Rev. Dave Endriss
Worship Leader
Communion

August 13

Kevin de Regnier
Worship Leader

August 20

Donna Vaughan
Worship Leader

August 27

Rev. Dave Endriss
Worship Leader

MADONNA CIRCLE

See you in September!



EVENING GUILD



See you in the Fall!

August

May God's Word be a guiding light
for your path, illuminating every
step with His wisdom and love.



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Inspire Our Schools was started in 2018 by a parent who was given the vision by God to have every school in her school district prayed for. Thanks to the obedience of that parent, and to the dozens of volunteers who caught this God-given vision, this event is taking place in multiple school districts across Iowa. Our prayer is that one day *Inspire Our Schools* events will be held in every state! (The school grounds are public property, however a volunteer has secured consent from the superintendent of the school districts that are involved. This event is in no way endorsed or sponsored by any school or school district.)

Inspire Our Schools is an annual event in which members of the community are invited to lift-up Christian prayers of blessing & dedication over all of the schools in their district. The event is 100% volunteer organized, led and funded. We are not an LLC or 501(c)3 – we are simply Christians who believe in the power of prayer, and have been called to organize this event. **Winterset is a participating school district in this event and the entire community is welcome & encouraged to attend at one of these schools: Winterset Elementary, Winterset Middle School, Winterset Jr. High & High School, and Winterset Bus Barn.**



It doesn't matter if your school has 3 people in attendance or 30 people – God can work through the prayers of just a few as mightily as he can work through the prayers of many! We believe we're all on the same team, we're better together, and our schools – students, parents, teachers, faculty, staff and administration – can always be lifted up in prayer. **Make plans now to join us on August 27 at 7:00 p.m.**

“If two of you agree here on earth concerning anything you ask, my Father in heaven will do it for you. For where two or three gather together as my followers. I am there among them.” Matthew 18:19-20

AUGUST 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3 7:00 pm Property & Finance	4	5
10TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST 6 9:00 AM WORSHIP AT CITY PARK NORTH SHELTER COMMUNION <i>PASTOR DAVE</i>	7	8	9	10 State Fair August 10 - 20 	11	12 Pastor Dave gone August 12-25
11TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST 13 <i>Kevin de Regnier</i> 9:00 AM WORSHIP 10:00 AM FELLOWSHIP	14	15	16	17	18	19
12TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST 20 <i>Donna Vaughan</i> 9:00 AM WORSHIP 10:00 AM FELLOWSHIP	21	22	23 	24	25	26 Presbytery at Ames
13TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST 27 <i>Pastor Dave</i> 9:00 AM WORSHIP 10:00 AM FELLOWSHIP 7:00 pm Inspire Our Schools	28	29 6:30 pm Session	30	31		

"I love borders. August is the border between summer and autumn; it is the most beautiful month I know." — *Tove Jansson*