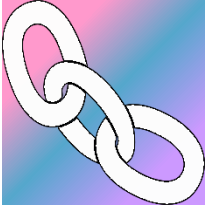


# First Presbyterian Church

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## Connections



May 2024



## Confirmation Class Received



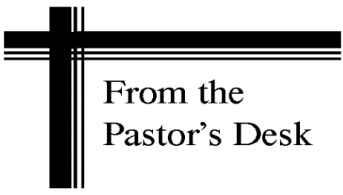
On Sunday, April 21st, the 5 young people who began the Confirmation Class in January were examined by the Session and received into membership of the church. Each student read their statement of faith before being open to questions by the elders. The class included Henry Nalley, Lily Nalley, Marin Mehaffy, Dane Mehaffy and Annabelle Comiskey. In addition to being approved for membership in the church, it was voted to offer to Annabelle the sacrament of Baptism.

During the worship service that followed the Session meeting, the confirmands confessed their faith in Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior upon which their faith coaches presented each with a confirmation stole. It is a cherished moment when we receive new members into the church, but it becomes a spectacular moment when we see young people, who began their spiritual journey as babies being baptized, choose to embrace those vows and faith as their own and launch their adult life with the affirmation that Jesus Christ is their inspiration and support.

Congrats, guys, on a job well done! Welcome not just into First Presbyterian, but Christ's universal church. Wherever you go, you can and will find brothers and sisters who share the joy you have discovered and expressed in Christ.

# Here are a few photos of our Confirmation Graduates!





From the  
Pastor's Desk

## May Sermon

The sermons for May follow the theme of April, particularly through Pentecost (19th ). What happens in the “In-between?” Between Easter and Pentecost. It was not a cake walk just because of the resurrection of Jesus. Everything the disciples thought they could count on had in their minds and hearts evaporated. The dependability of Jesus was gone. He was physically not available and everyone had scattered. There was no plan, nothing to do and no one to tell them what to do. It is frustrating being in between what had been and what will be. The texts speak to this experience. Read and enjoy.

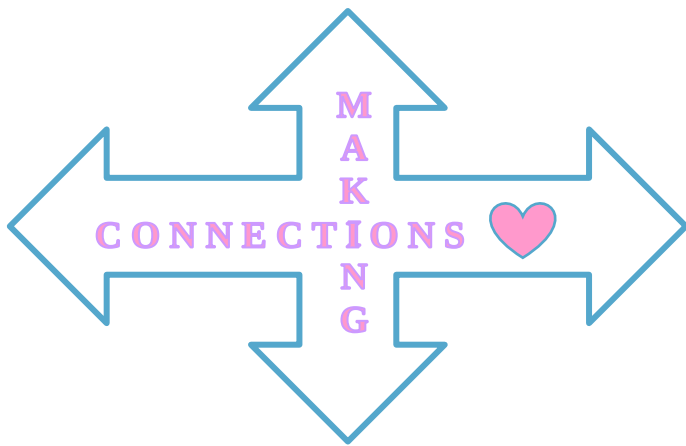
May 5            Lord's Supper  
Text: Luke 24:13-35  
Title: “Learning on the Road”

May 12  
Text: John 21:15-19  
Title: “The Tough Question”

May 19        Pentecost  
Text: Acts 2:1-21  
Title: “On Your Mark, Get Ready, GO!”

May 26  
Text: Matthew 7:24-29  
James 1:22-25  
Title: “Hearing Is Not Enough”





## Table for One

Our May event will be held Wednesday, 5/1 @ 5:30p.m. @ Doyle Ruble's home @ 1245 Messiah Dr. Burlington, IA

## Yum-Yums

News from Yum Yums. It was a cold rainy evening, but fourteen people braved the weather to have dinner at The Pink in Lomax. Next month we plan to go to The Board of Trade, Charleston, Iowa, on May 16. All are welcome to come with us, and you may bring a guest if you like. Our next get together will be at 600 P.M. on Thursday, May 16, 2024, at The Board of Trade, Charleston, Iowa. To carpool, meet at Fareway Grocery parking lot at 5:30 P.M. If you have any questions, call or text JoAnn Williams at 319-754-8535.



### May Birthdays

- 11 - Eric Nalley
- 12 - Sue Sattler
- 14 - Sue Gilchrist
- 17 - Bret Stensland
- 18 - Henry & Lily Nalley
- 18 - Shirley Webster
- 19 - Pat Whitmore
- 22 - Lauren Haller
- 24 - Vicki Johnson
- 26 - Jill Mehaffey-Nalley
- 27 - Millie Comiskey
- 27 - John Lyday



### 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday Lunch

Sunday, May 12 following morning service  
A Mother's Day Brunch



Luncheon is free and gracious donations help to defray the cost and are much appreciated.



# The Shepherd's Table



**May 29 4:30 – 6:00 P.M.**

**MENU: Shepherd's Pie, assorted salads,  
cottage cheese, dessert**

Free community dinner, hosted by First Presbyterian and First Congregational Churches, and held at the First Congregational Church, 313 N. 4th St. Join us!

Volunteers needed and welcomed to bring food or help serve. Sign up on the sheet in the sanctuary or call the church office, (319)752-6626

Thank you to these generous people who provided food or labor for the April Shepherd's Table meal: **Terri Huddleston, Susan Hoisington, Marilyn Leight, Jim Erickson, Sue Gilchrist, Vickie Carhoff, Ruth Francis, Brenda Frederick, MaryAnn McCartney, Carol Brotherson, Pat Saldeen, Leona Byars, and Pat Whitmore.** It takes a village!

# Messages from the Deacons

## Greeting Cards!

Make sure to check out the card box in the hallway leading to the fellowship hall. This is for your convenience to send a card to someone you are thinking about. Birthday, get well, thinking of you, etc. Cards are available for you to choose from and there is a directory nearby to provide you with addresses of fellow parishioners. All you need to do is add a stamp!





### A Thank you from Trenton Murray

Dear First Presbyterian Church,

To whom this card reaches, I want to give my warmest thanks for the 2 scholarships you granted me with. I am very appreciative for it. I am excited to continue my education at the University of Iowa next year as I get close to my goal of getting my Bachelors in Exercise Science, then applying to Physical Therapy School. Once again, thank you!

Trenton Murray

### A Thank you note from Lou Harter

Dear Friends,

Thank you all for all the nice notes & cards. Thinking of you all and wishing you a very Happy Spring!

Sincerely,  
Lou Harter

The Silver Singers and friends present  
a program of music for Yom Hashoah



## **Being Light in a Dark World**

Sunday, May 5 at 4 pm

The Capitol Theater

211 North Third Street, Burlington

Program is free to the public    Donations welcomed

Afterglow following in the Night Cap Listening Lounge







# Sunday School



Come join the fun every Sunday morning starting at 9:00 a.m. downstairs in the church basement and learn all about Jesus!



## Adult Education



Come join us and learn more about the Bible and Jesus! Adult Education meets every Sunday morning before church at 9:00 a.m.

The subject matter for study for the remainder of this spring, will be “the sermon on the mount”, particularly, the “B” attitudes.

# Missions Is Up To Doing Good


## Mission Committee Upcoming Meeting

The Mission Committee plans to have its monthly meeting on the first Wednesday of each month at 12:00 noon. Bring a sack lunch. May 1st next meeting.

Thank you to the Deacons for hosting the All Church Birthday Party!  
Lots of great dishes for the pot-luck!

With a grateful heart, we thank you for all the gifts and money towards the treasure chest for Iowa City kids, we collected 22 gifts and \$87 in monetary gifts!

The Mission Team



Anyone interested in  
volunteering for helping with  
the final day of Ragbrai on July 27.  
Please contact the United Way  
@ [www.burlingtoniaunitedway.com](http://www.burlingtoniaunitedway.com)

# Announcements!



The Silver Singers will be presenting “Being Light in a Dark World” in memoriam of Yom Hoshoah, on Sunday, May 5 at The Capitol Theater.

Church clean-up day will take place on Tuesday, May 7<sup>th</sup> from 10:00am-noon

Our Post Office is hosting a Food Drive on May 11<sup>th</sup> from 9am-5pm. This event is set up by the Burlington Post Office to allow the community to donate to various area food pantries all in one spot! We will have a table set up and will need some volunteers! Sign up sheet with time slots and number of volunteers needed is located in the Sanctuary on the table. If you would like more information, please see Terri Huddleston.

Second Sunday Luncheon will be on Sunday, May 12! This 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday Luncheon will be all about celebrating Mother’s Day!

Farmer’s Market at the Church will take place on Thursday, May 16 from 4:30pm-6pm.

The Handbells will be performing in church on Sunday, May 19.

The office will be closed on Monday, May 27 in observance of Memorial Day!

## Live Streaming our Worship Services

Can’t make it to Sunday service? No problem! Every Sunday service is live streamed on Facebook! Please join us! Just go to Facebook on your phone, tablet, or computer and navigate to our Facebook page!






If you have not yet watched a Facebook service, or don’t know how, locate Facebook on your phone, tablet or computer, search for First Presbyterian Church of Burlington, Iowa, and then sit back and enjoy. The weekly bulletin is being provided via e-mail so you can follow along and take part as you wish. Comments are appreciated.





# May 2024



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p><b>Office Hours:</b>  <u>M-W-F</u>            1:30pm-4:30pm  <u>T-Th</u>            9:00am-1:00pm</p>			<p><b>1</b> 7:15 a.m. Men's Bible Study            8:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study  <u>Mission meets @ noon</u>  <u>Knitwits meets @ 10:00 am</u>  <u>Table for One meets @ 5:30pm @ Doyle Ruble's home</u></p>	<p><b>2</b> Private Memorial Service @10am-11am             Handbell's meet @ 10am             Session Dockets Due</p>	<p><b>3</b></p>	<p><b>4</b></p> 
<p><b>5</b> 9:00 a.m. Sunday School &amp; Adult Ed.            10:00a.m. Worship  <i>Silver Singers present "Being Light in a Dark World" @ 4pm @ The Capitol Theater</i></p>	<p><b>6</b></p> 	<p><b>7</b> <b>Church clean up day 10am-Noon</b></p>	<p><b>8</b> 7:15 a.m. Men's Bible Study             8:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study</p>	<p><b>9</b> <b>Session Meets 1pm-3pm</b>             Handbell's meet @ 10am</p>	<p><b>10</b></p>	<p><b>11</b> Funeral for Chuck Rucker @ 11am</p>
<p><b>12</b> 9:00 a.m. Sunday School &amp; Adult Ed.            10:00a.m. Worship  <b>2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday Luncheon</b>  <b>Happy Mother's Day!</b></p> 	<p><b>13</b></p>	<p><b>14</b></p>	<p><b>15</b> 7:15 a.m. Men's Bible Study             8:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study</p>	<p><b>16</b> <u>Handbells Meet @ 10am</u>  <u>Yum Yums @ 6pm @ The Board of Trade, Charleston, IA</u>  <u>Farmer's Market @ the Church 4:30pm-6pm</u></p>	<p><b>17</b></p> 	<p><b>18</b></p>
<p><b>19</b> 9:00 a.m. Sunday School &amp; Adult Ed.            10:00 a.m. Worship  <b>Deacon's Meet</b>  <b>Handbells play in church</b></p>	<p><b>20</b> <b>Trustees Meet @ 10 a.m.</b></p>	<p><b>21</b> <b>Deadline For Connections</b></p>	<p><b>22</b> 7:15 a.m. Men's Bible Study            8:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study</p>	<p><b>23</b></p>	<p><b>24</b></p>	<p><b>25</b></p>
<p><b>26</b> 9:00 a.m. Sunday School &amp; Adult Ed.            10:00 a.m. Worship</p>	<p><b>27</b></p> 	<p><b>28</b></p>	<p><b>29</b> <u>Shepherd's Table 4:30pm-6pm</u></p>	<p><b>30</b></p>	<p><b>31</b></p>	