



First Presbyterian Church
A Family of Believers

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Church Office hours:
Monday – Thursday: 8:00 a.m. – Noon, 1:00 – 4:00 p.m.

Upcoming Events
November 25 – December 5, 2010

THURSDAY 11/25

Happy Thanksgiving – Office closed in observance of Thanksgiving

SATURDAY 11/27

9:00 a.m. – Craft Fair

SUNDAY 11/28

9:00 a.m. – Chancel Choir rehearsal
9:30 a.m. – Traditional Worship
10:30 a.m. – Morning Fellowship
11:00 a.m. – Praxis Praise Worship
12:00 p.m. – Advent decorating

MONDAY 11/29

12:00 p.m. – Bible Study

WEDNESDAY 12/1

5:30 p.m. – Community Dinner
6:00 p.m. – BeTWEEN Youth Group
7:00 p.m. – Handbell rehearsal
7:00 p.m. – Praise Band rehearsal

THURSDAY 12/2

6:30 p.m. – Chancel Choir rehearsal

SUNDAY 12/5

9:00 a.m. – Chancel Choir rehearsal
9:30 a.m. – Traditional Worship
10:00 a.m. – Life Path Sunday School
10:30 a.m. – Morning Fellowship
11:00 a.m. – Praxis Praise Worship

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LifePath Sunday School
Grades K – 6th 9:45 – 10:45

2010-2011 Theme is The BIBLE

December 5 – Christmas Gospel Comparison
December 12 – Christmas around the World – Traditions
December 19 – Christmas Pageant
December 26 – No Sunday School



- † Théo Hoffman's 17 year old cat died last week
- † Mason Maloney preparing to return to Afghanistan
- † 432nd Civil Affairs Battalion is preparing for another tour of duty.
- † Joey who suffered brain injury in Afghanistan
- † Strength and wisdom to accept God's will
- † Elaine's health problems
- † Bob's recovery to health
- † Abused and neglected children
- † Those who must live with alcoholism
- † Those with Alzheimer's, Depression, Parkinson's, and Arthritis
- † Anne, Donna, Ed, Erni, Jacob, Jennifer, Jim, Joe, Kathy, Kyle, Larry, Linda, Paul, Randy, Reid, Sara and Tom all battling cancer
- † Those who are seeking employment
- † Happy, strong, committed marriages
- † Kaktovik Presbyterian Church
- † Urabá Presbytery of Colombia
- † Our Deacons, Elders, Members and Pastor

WELCOME

Please welcome the Rev. Sara Ver Burg to the pulpit this morning while Pastor Matt is on vacation. Sara and her family live in Appleton where she is currently a pastor at large for Winnebago Presbytery.

We Are One In Mission!

We celebrate that First Presbyterian Church was able to obtain three mission Grants from Winnebago Presbytery for local organizations in Manitowoc: \$3,000 for the Habitat for Humanity, \$2,500 for the Domestic Violence Center, and \$3,000 for Peter's Pantry. The grants are made available from the mission dollars we contribute to the ministry of Winnebago Presbytery.

THANK YOU BAKERS AND ARTISTS

We would like to thank all our bakers and cookie artists who joined us on November 20 for the third annual cookie baking day. We had a blast. Together we made over 80 dozen cookies for the Holiday Parade. For those keeping track that is a new record for the amount that we baked. So once again thank you to everyone who was part of this.

Wednesdays

5:30 – 7:00 p.m.

Dinners are FREE!

Donations Welcomed



- **December Donation:** Gallons of Apple Juice
- **Did You Know?** The average cost of a community dinner is \$65. Though meals are free, we encourage members to donate \$3.00 per person for each meal they attend.
- **Menu:**
 - 12/1— Chili
 - 12/8— Cream of Potato Soup
 - 12/15— Christmas Meal
 - 12/22 & 12/29— No Dinner

COOKIE BAKE AND SWAP

Bring your cooking baking supplies to church on **Sunday, December 5** at noon and bake your favorite cookies and share them with others. Contact Melanie Goble or Angie Puksich.

CRAFTY LADIES TO HOLD SALE

The Crafty Ladies Craft and Bake Sale will be held **Sunday, December 12**, in Fellowship Hall. The ladies have been busy making various crafts and preparing homemade goodies. The sale is being held in conjunction with the Alternative Gift Market.

ALTERNATIVE GIFT MARKET

First Presbyterian Church will be hosting an Alternative Gift Market again this year. Are you looking for meaningful Christmas gifts for the special people in your life? We will kick off our **Alternative Gift Market** on **December 12** in Fellowship Hall.

CHRISTMAS OPEN HOUSE

The congregation is invited to a Christmas Open house at the home of Pastor Matt and Meredith Sauer on **Sunday, December 19 from 3:00 – 5:00 p.m.** Please stop in and share the joy of the season.

ADVENT DEVOTIONAL AVAILABLE

First Presbyterian Church has joined with six other community churches to produce a daily Advent Devotional. There are copies available in the Narthex and the Fellowship Hall. You may also read them online at: www.manitowocprays.blogspot.com.

Traditional Worship

REFLECTING GOD'S MAJESTY AND GRACE

HAPPENINGS

- **December 19** – Plan to stay after worship for the Children's Pageant at 11:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall followed by a chili lunch and caroling.
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- Don't forget to come early (10:30 a.m.) so you can visit with others during Morning Fellowship.
- Do you play Bass Guitar? The Praise Band would love to find a Bass player. Talk to any band member.

THANK YOU

Thank you to each every member and friend of First Presbyterian Church for the kindness shown towards me on Staff Appreciation Sunday. It is always a privilege for me to serve among you as we journey towards the Gospel's goal. Also, I thank you for these few days of vacation where Meredith and I can celebrate our 13th wedding anniversary.
– Pastor Matt