

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Winnebago, Illinois
September 21, 2008
10:30 a.m.
PREPARING FOR THE WORD

Prelude

Welcome, Announcements

*Songs of Praise “The Joy of the Lord” insert
 “Better Is One Day” insert

*Prayer of Adoration and Confession
(concluding with The Lord’s Prayer)

Assurance of Forgiveness

RECEIVING THE WORD

Minute for Missions Linda Clausen

Scripture Matthew 20:1-16 pg. 1003

Message “God’s Exasperating Grace”
 Pastor Steve Shullanberger

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

*Songs of Praise “Above All” insert

Sharing of Joys and Concern

Pastoral Prayer

Presentation of Gifts and Offerings

Offertory
*Prayer of Dedication

*Songs of Praise “You Never Let Go” insert

Benediction

Postlude

Church 335-2051
Attendance 9/14/08 119
Offering 9/14//08 \$2818.75

SHARING THE WORD THROUGHOUT THE WORLD

Ministers Everyone
Pastor Rev. Steve Shullanberger
Ushers Norm Dean, Bob Reed, Chuck Rittmeyer
Greeters Sheree Sensel and Jill Sunday
Praise Team Director Michelle West

“The Joy of the Lord”

The joy of the Lord will be my strength
I will not falter, I will not faint.
He is my Shepherd, I am not afraid,
The joy of the Lord is my strength.

Chorus:

The joy of the Lord, the joy of the Lord, the joy of the Lord is my strength.
The joy of the Lord, the joy of the Lord, the joy of the Lord is my strength.

The joy of the Lord will be my strength,
He will uphold me all of my days.
I am surrounded by mercy and grace.
The joy of the Lord is my strength. (**chorus**)

“Above All”

Above all powers, above all kings,
above all nature and all created things.
Above all wisdom and all the ways of man,
You were here before the world began.
Above all kingdoms, above all thrones,
above all wonders the world has ever known.
Above all wealth and treasures of the earth.
There’s no way to measure what You’re worth.
Crucified. Laid behind a stone.
You lived to die. Rejected and alone.
Like a rose trampled on the ground,
You took the fall, and thought of me, above all.
(repeat entire song)

Coda:

Like a rose, trampled on the ground,
You took the fall and thought of me above all.

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“Better Is One Day”

Verse 1:

How lovely is Thy dwelling place,
O Lord, almighty
For my soul longs and even faints for You
For here my heart is satisfied
Within Your presence
I sing beneath the shadow of Your wings.

Chorus:

Better is one day in Your courts,
Better is one day in Your house,
Better is one day in Your courts than thousands elsewhere.
Better is one day in Your courts,
Better is one day in Your house,
Better is one day in Your courts than thousands elsewhere.
Than thousands elsewhere.

Verse 2:

One thing I ask and I would seek.
To see Your beauty
To find You in the place Your glory dwells
One thing I ask and I would seek
To see Your beauty
To find You in the place Your glory dwells (chorus)

Flower arrangements today are sponsored by :

The Presbyterian Women in honor of Blanket Sunday



“You Never Let Go”

Verse 1:

Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death.
Your perfect love is casting out fear
And even when I’m caught in the middle of the storms of this life
I won’t turn back, I know You are near.
And I will fear no evil for my God is with me.
And if my God is with me. Whom then shall I fear? Whom
then shall I fear?

Chorus:

Oh no, You never let go, through the calm and through the storm.
Oh no, You never let go, to ev’ry high and ev’ry low
Oh no, You never let go, Lord You never let go of me.

Verse 2:

And I can see a light that is coming for the heart that holds on
A glorious light beyond all compare
And there will be an end to these troubles, but until that day comes,
We’ll live to know You here on the earth.
And I will fear no evil, for my God is with me
And if my God is with me, whom then shall I fear? Whom then
shall I fear? (chorus)

Verse 3:

Yes, I can see a light that is coming for the heart that holds on
And there will be an end to these troubles, but until that day comes
Still I will praise You, still I will praise You.

(repeat verse 3 and then go to the chorus)

The Church Website <http://www.thewfpc.org>. The prayer request email is prayer@thewfpc.org

The Praise Band will meet on Tuesday at 6:30 p.m., note the change.

Acolytes are needed each week for the Sunday service. Elder Judie Coots will be coordinating and contacting students from grades 3-8 for their help. Judie will give the students and their parents a reminder phone call the week they are to serve.

Please take the time to sign the red attendance books and let us know of any special requests.

A new tradition for first time brides and first time moms- to-be is being offered to active members of our congregation. Different ladies have offered to host showers for these events. If you are interested in having or helping with a shower, please call Judy Coots at 1-815-335-2991.

Chicks with Sticks will meet on Tuesday at Ann Fuller’s house at 7 p.m. If you have any questions call her at 1-815-335-7402.

Nominating Committee will meet at the church on Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. If you have any questions call Jill Sunday 1-815-243-8080.

Please keep in prayer: Paula Price. The Mitchell Family.
Doris and Wayne Jones. Duane Fay.