

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Miller, South Dakota

March 7, 2021

Pastor: Brian Jones

Organist: Janice Palmer

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP:

One: The message of the cross sounds foolish to the world;

ALL: But to us it is the power of God!

One: We proclaim the scandal of Christ crucified.

**ALL: The foolishness of God is wiser than human wisdom,
and the weakness of God is stronger than our
strength.**

MORNING PRAYER

***HYMN No. 358** “God of Grace and God of Glory”

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION:** Merciful God, how fickle we are;
we sin against you without even knowing it. Clear us, we pray, of
any unknown sin, and save us from willfully ignoring your way.
Let your commandments rule and guide us. Forgive us for
worshiping anyone or anything except you; keep us faithful.
Forgive us for failing to honor all our relationships—with those
closest to us and those who are distant neighbors. Help us to
speak words of blessing and kindness, rather than words that
belittle or destroy. Turn us away from violence, falsehood, and
selfishness. Forgive us for thinking everything depends on our
efforts and power, for you are the God who made us, led us out
slavery, and has brought us into the community of faith. Help us
to depend on you alone and to rest in your peace. In Christ’s
name we pray. Amen.

***DECLARATION OF PARDON**

***GLORIA PATRI** (see insert for words)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

MINUTE FOR MISSION

One Great Hour of Sharing

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

RESPONSIVE READING: Psalm 19 (p. 441 in pew Bible)

CHILDREN’S TIME

OLD TESTAMENT TEADING Exodus 20:1-17 (p.58 in pew Bible)

GOSPEL READING: John 2:13-22 (p. 859 in pew Bible)

SERMON: “What Would a Prophet Say?”

PASTORAL PRAYER AND LORD’S PRAYER

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Douglas Charles, son of Kodee Beckett

INVITATION TO OFFERING

***DOXOLOGY** (see insert for words)

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

***HYMN** (see insert) “The Summons”

Sunday school students are dismissed to the basement during hymn

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

***Please stand, if you are able**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

REMEMBER:

- ***Guests, we welcome you.** Please sign the guest book by the front door before you leave.
- ***Large print bulletins and hearing assistive devices are available.** If you would like one, please pick one up as you come into the sanctuary.
- ***Let the Deacons or Brian know** if you or someone you know is hospitalized and in need of a visit or prayers.
- ***An usher will be available to help** people up and down the stairs or in and out of the elevator.

WEEK OF March 7- March 13

Sun., Mar. 7: Worship Service at 10:00

Tues., Mar. 9: Happy Birthday: Kristen Moss

Wed., Mar. 10: Happy Birthday: Landon Tanner

Thurs., Mar. 11: Happy Birthday: Leo Wieseler & Tara Haar Brower

Fri., Mar. 12: Happy Birthday: Larry Blaseg

Sat., Mar. 13: Happy Birthday: Gordon Gross

Greeters: Elders

Deacons for March:: Sarah DeHaai & Carolyn Rediger

Attendance for last week Feb. 28: 48

Sunday School Attendance for last week: 18

FYI: 1. Our Church would like to get e-mail addresses of our members. If you could e-mail me at my address of

secretarypresby@gmail.com

I can save your addresses or please get them to me in writing if e-mailing is not an option. Thank you. Patty

2. Please let the office know if I am missing any birthdays or anniversaries. Thank you!

3. Due to shortened worship services, The Sunday School hour is from

10:45-11:45.

4. If you are wanting to order an Easter Lily or contribute to the Memorial fund for Easter in memory of a loved one, please contact Dawn Haar, Teresa Eschenbaum, or Jean Johnson.

5. April/March newsletter articles are due Feb. 23. Thank you!

GLORIA PATRI

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost.

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen.

DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow,
Praise Him all creatures, here below,
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host.
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Prayer list:

Zane Wulf, June VanZee, Stavan Starks, Marshall Dearing, Joan Bertsch, Jill Nelson, Kayleen Fulton, Norma DeHaven, Scott Teason, Brian Fiala, Mara Hanson, Vi Moncur, the Weaver triplets, Dorothy Sargent, Tammy Aalbers, Karen Tice, Greg Brown, Lisa Droz, Steve Ziegler, the family and friends of Jim Bevers, Shirley Peterman, and Lois Hargens

Household Prayer for Morning: God of heaven and earth, I listen this morning for the sound of your glory: in the songs of birds, in quiet conversations that begin the day, in easy laughter among friends, in sunlight's warmth, pattering rain, or silent snowfall. Give me ears to hear your glory in its many forms. Give me eyes to see your glory in its many guises. Throughout this day, I, too, will proclaim your glory, your grace, and your love, so that I may be a part of the chorus of praise that stretches to the ends of the earth. In Christ's name I pray. Amen

Household Prayer for Evening: God of freedom, I thank you for claiming me as your own and for setting me in the midst of the community of faith. Today the news was filled with stories of people who do not live according to your commandments, with grievous results. And I struggle, too, in my own ways, to live before you and my neighbors in faithfulness, generosity, and love. As the day comes to an end, I pray for forgiveness for myself and for this weary world, confident of your grace and mercy. Let me sleep in peace as, over and around me, night declares to night your power and glory. In Jesus' name I pray. Amen.

Offering for Feb. 28:	\$ 2,064.00
Offering to Date:	\$ 37,434.68
Sunday School Offering:	\$ 16.00
Total Expenses for 2021:	\$ 41,106.17

Christian Education Schedule:

March 10	Confirmation class examined by the Session
March 14	Confirmation leads church service
March 28	Palm Sunday (fish banks due) and <u>Confirmation</u>
Mar.31/April 1	Wednesday night class (Grades 6-8) has the option of attending Maundy Thursday Services (our Church at 7:00 PM) Instead of regular class on Wed.
April 4	Easter We DO have SS but Sunday school Teachers have a break – Brian and Tyann will lead class.
May 2	Honor high school graduates and CE leaders during church
May 12	Last day for the Wednesday night class
May 16	Last day of Sunday school