Assemble in God's Name

Prelude
Ringing of the Church Bell
Welcome
Read Vision Statement

God's timeless love transforms each of us to joyously continue the ministry of Jesus Christ in our community and in our world.

***Call to Worship (Psalm 116:12,13) - Confirmation Student Henry Bentson**
O come, let us sing to the Lord and shout with joy the rock of our salvation!
Let us come into God's presence with thanksgiving, singing joyful songs of praise.

***Prayer of Invocation - Confirmation Student Henry Bentson**
Eternal God, **neither death nor life can separate us from your love. Grant that we may serve you faithfully here on earth, and in heaven rejoice with all your saints who ceaselessly proclaim your glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.**

***Hymn** #385 All People that on Earth Do Dwell

***Call to Confession (Psalm 34:18)**

***Prayer of Confession**
Merciful God, **we confess that we have often failed to be an obedient church. We have not done your will, we have broken your law, we have rebelled against your love. We have not loved our neighbors, and refused the cry of the needy. Forgive us, we pray, and free us for joyful obedience through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

***Silent Prayers of Confession**

***Assurance of Pardon (Romans 6:8-11)**
Hear the good news! If we have died with Christ, we believe we too shall live with Christ. So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus. Friends, we believe in the good news. **In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Amen!**

***Responsive Hymn #177 I Will Come to You (verse 1 & refrain)**
I will come to you in the silence; I will lift you from all your fears
You will hear my voice, I claim you as my choice. Be still and know I am here.
Do not be afraid I am with you, I have called you each by name.
Come and follow me, I will bring you home; I love you and you are mine

***Share the Peace of Christ with One Another**

L: The Peace of Christ be with you always!
C: And also with you!

Proclaim God's Word

Anthem: Chancel Choir
Moment for Children

Prayer of Illumination
Holy God, by the power of your Spirit, help us meditate on your law and commandments. As your Word is read today, help us be fully present – heart, soul, and mind – and show us your way of love. Amen.

Responsive Reading: Psalm 100
1 Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth.
2 Serve the LORD with gladness; come into his presence with singing.
3 Know that the LORD is God. It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.
4 Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise. Give thanks to him; bless his name.
5 For the LORD is good; his steadfast love endures forever and his faithfulness to all generations.

Scripture Reading: Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24
L: Word of God, Word of Life
C: Thanks be to God!

Gospel: Matthew 25:31-46

Sermon Quentin Markfort

***Hymn** #353 My Hope is Built on Nothing Less

Announcements & Sharing of Joys and Concerns
Prayers of the People
L: Lord in your mercy
C: Hear our Prayer

Give Thanks to God

Call for the Offering (Romans 12:6-8)
God's Tithes and Your Offering Received
Offertory
***Responsive Hymn #647 Give Thanks**
1 Give thanks with a grateful heart; give thanks to the Holy One; give thanks because we're given Jesus Christ, the Son.
2 And now let the weak say, "We are strong'; let the poor say, "We are rich because of what the Lord has done for us!" Give thanks. Give thanks.

***Offertory Prayer**
Holy God, bless these gifts for Your good use. May these tokens of our gratitude be of service in liberating the poor, feeding the hungry, clothing and sheltering those struggling to survive. Use these gifts to further Christ's mission and ministry in a hurting world. **Amen.**

Ordination & Installation of Quentin Markfort (see insert) Rev. Anna Williamson

The Lord's Prayer (page 35 in the Hymnal)
***Hymn** #187 Savior Like A Shepherd Lead Us
***Charge to the People**
***Benediction**

***Postlude**
**Please stand in body or spirit.*
Music Used by Permission. OneLicense#742024-A

First Presbyterian Church of Redwood Falls

Our Vision Statement of the First Presbyterian Church of Redwood Falls is:
God's timeless love transforms each of us to joyously continue the ministry of Jesus Christ in our community and in our world.



November 22, 2026 - Christ the King Sunday
Quentin Markfort, Temporary Pastoral Leader
Ministers: The members of the congregation
235 East 4th Street, PO Box 4

Christmas Eve 2026

The Session voted to suspend the tradition of the Christmas Eve Friendship Dinner for this year.Please see a member of the Session with questions or concerns Our Christmas Eve Worship of Lessons and Carols will start at 5:00pm on December 24th.

Mittens & More Trees for Share the Spirit

The Mittens & More trees are up in the Narthex for Share the Spirit this season. The Deacons are asking that **all items be brought to church by Sunday November 29th** so they can be delivered on time. YFA and the Mission Committee partnered together to donate 93 items under the tree this year. We'd love to see that continue to grow!

Turkey Dinner THANK YOU!

We are so grateful for everyone who helped make this year's Turkey Dinner a success. Because of countless volunteer hours, and willingness to pitch in wherever needed, we were able to serve 454 people from our community.

A special thank you goes out to all of our wonderful bakers and Bake Sale supporters. The homemade goodies were amazing, and your donations and purchases helped make the entire event a success.

It truly takes a church family working together, and we are thankful for every one of you.

December Friendship Dinner

Join us for food, fellowship, & fun that is FREE! The December Friendship Dinner will be on **Sunday December 13th from 11:15am-12:30pm** following our Christmas Program. The menu will be tater tot hotdish with cornbread, sides, beverages, & desserts! Invite a friend and come on down!

DEADLINE: Annual Report & Winter Chimes

Please have all Annual Reports completed and turned in by December 15th. Your staff would also appreciate any updates you have for the Winter Chimes issue for turned in by the same date. We will release a January-Feburary-March issue in early January.

Continued Announcements

NOTICE OF CONGREGATIONAL MEETING:

The Session of First Presbyterian Church is calling a regular meeting on Sunday November 22, 2026 following Worship to elect the ballot of leaders for 2027 from the Nominating Committee.

Christmas Program 2026

The 2026 Christmas Program will feature both the kids and the adult choir on **Sunday December 13, 2026 during our regular worship.** The program focuses on the 4 weeks of Advent as we wait and prepare for the Christ Child to arrive.

Bulletin Deadline: Thursdays at 12pm

As part of his ministry here, Quentin has been given the bulletin from Tina's plate. As a result, because Quentin takes Friday as his Sabbath, please have all announcements and additions to the bulletin to the office by Thursdays at 12pm. Please don't assume that Quentin knows your announcement should go in the bulletin, make sure you send things that the congregation should know! Announcements can either be sent to Quentin or Tina to be put in the bulletin. Thank you for your understanding!

Weekend Food Bag Extras Needed

We are seeking donations of extra items for our Weekend Food Bag Program. Every other week, these bags are sent home with students at Redwood Valley Elementary School who may need a little extra food support over the weekend.

Suggested Items: Shells & Cheese, Uncle Ben's or Knorr Rice Pouches, Ramen Noodles (Beef or Chicken), Chocolate Chip Granola Bars, Applesauce Pouches or Cups, Fruit Cups, Individual Mac & Cheese Cups, Oatmeal Packets, Crackers and Peanut Butter Packs, Fruit Snacks, Goldfish Crackers, Breakfast Bars

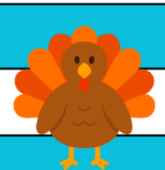
Please leave donations on the pew in the hallway by the kitchen. Thank you for helping care for children and families in our community. Your generosity makes a difference, one bag at a time.

Our Sunday morning service is on our local channels...

Nuvera (Channel 3), Media-Com (Channel 8): Mondays at 10 am, Wednesdays at 7 pm!

Schedule + Prayers

This Week at First Presbyterian	
Monday 11/23	8am-2pm Office Hours 3pm Bible Study 5:30pm Scouts Use of Church
Tuesday 11/24	8am-2pm Office Hours
Wed. 11/25	*NO Youth Club*
Thursday 11/26	Happy Thanksgiving!
Friday 11/27	Office Closed
Sunday 11/29	9am Sunday School; *NO CONFIRMATION* 10:15 Worship w/ Janet Ellingson
Church of the Week: Gloria Dei Lutheran Church	



Prayer Corner

For Prayers, please contact the Prayer Chain: Char Gilland @ 507- 640 - 0210

Please pray for the family of Marlys Verdoes. The family is making arrangements with Stephens Funeral Service for a Memorial Service sometime in the future.

This week's Birthdays: 23rd Kyle Hicks

Members of our Church Family in Nursing Homes, Assisted Living or Other Facilities:
Kevin McKay, Lois Tiffany,

All Those Fighting Cancer: *Jim Curtis, Sally Sisk - Julie Fiala's Sister, Robb Schneider, Dale Starr*

Those Requesting our Prayers: Maisey Braun (godchild of Quentin Markfort),
Carly (daughter of Julie Reinstra)

If you want anything added to the Prayer List, please contact the church office.

Announcements Insert: November 22, 2026

Quentin's Office Days: Mon., Weds, & Thurs. (Tuesday @ Home)
Tina's Office Hours: Tue & Thur: 11 am- 2 pm, Fri: 8 am- 2pm

CONTACT INFORMATION:

Office Phone: 507-627-8751
Dining Room Phone: 507-627-2430
Office Email: churchofc@hotmail.com
Quentin's Cell: 320-293-0568
Quentin's Email: qmarkfort@gmail.com
Church Website: fpcrwf.org

New Announcements

Church of the Week: Gloria Dei Lutheran Church

Annual Report Deadline: December 15, 2026

Tina has requested that Moderators and others who submit Annual Reports to please have them into her no later than December 15th, 2026 so she has time to compile all the reports together before our Annual Meeting in early 2027.

Quilts, Quilts, Quilts!

The Piecemakers have quilts for sale in the Youth Chapel. For a $20 donation a quilt be donated to Share the Spirit. Proceeds are used to buy supplies such as batting, backing, etc. Please consider sharing the spirit this holiday season!

The Piecemakers also have quilts for sale for your own use or to give as gifts to family and friends. A sampling of these quilts is displayed in the narthex. If interested in other please, please talk to Joyce or Diance to see more options. There are various sizes and prices!

Affirmation of Faith: The Apostles Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth;
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Thanksgiving for Baptism:

The Lord be with you,
And also with you.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.
(Prayer of thanksgiving)...
...And continue forever in the risen life of Christ, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all glory and honor, now and forever. **AMEN**

Remember your baptism and be thankful. In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
AMEN

The Constitutional Questions:

:

1) Do you trust in Jesus Christ your Savior, acknowledge him Lord of all and Head of the Church, and through him believe in one God, Father Son, and Holy Spirit?

2) Do you accept the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments to be, by the Holy Spirit, the unique and authoritative witness to Jesus Christ in the Church universal, and God's word to you?

3) Do you sincerely receive and adopt the essential tenets of the Reformed faith as expressed in the confessions of our church as authentic and reliable expositions of what Scripture leads us to believe and do, and will you be instructed and led by those confessions as you lead the people of God?

4) Will you fulfill your office in obedience to Jesus Christ, under the authority of Scripture, and continually guided by our confessions?

5) Will you be governed by our church's polity, and will you abide by its discipline? Will you be a friend among your colleagues in ministry, working with them, subject to the ordering of God's Word and Spirit?

6) Will you in your own life seek to follow the Lord Jesus Christ, love your neighbors, and work for the reconciliation of the world?

7) Do you promise to further the peace, unity, and purity of the church?

8) Will you seek to serve the people with energy, intelligence, imagination, and love?

9) Will you be a faithful elder, watching over the people, providing for their worship and instruction? Will you share in government and discipline, serving the governing bodies of the church; and in your ministry will you try to show the love and justice of Jesus Christ?

The Clerk asks the Congregation:

Do we, the members of the church, accept ***Quentin Markfort*** as an elder, and as a leader chosen by God through the voice of this congregation to guide us in the way of Jesus Christ?
We do.
Do we agree to encourage him to respect his decisions, and to follow as he guides us, serving Jesus Christ, who alone is Head of the Church?
We do.

Those to be ordained kneel (or stand if kneeling is problematic) facing the congregation. Ordained Elders and Ministers of Word and Sacrament stand around those being ordained-laying on of hands (not on head!).or hands held up in blessing or on shoulder ahead of you)

Ordination Prayer:

Almighty God: In every age you have chosen servants to speak your word and to lead your people. We thank you for ***Quentin Markfort*** who you have called to serve you. Give him special gifts to do the special work you have for him; and fill him with your Holy Spirit so that he may have the same mind that was in Christ Jesus, and be a faithful disciple as long as he shall live.

God of Grace who calls us all to common ministry as ambassadors of Christ, trusting us with the message of reconciliation: give us courage and discipline to follow where your servants rightly lead us; that together we may declare your wonderful deeds and show your love to the world: through Jesus Christ, Lord of All. AMEN

Declaration of Ordination and Installation

Quentin, you are now an Elder in the Church of Jesus Christ. And you are now installed as an active Elder for this congregation. Be faithful and true in your ministry, so that your whole life will bear witness to our crucified and risen Christ. AMEN

Service of Ordination and Installation for Quentin Markfort

Rev. Anna Williamson, Moderator of Session
Sonya Alexander, Clerk of Session

Congregation:

We remember with joy our common calling to serve Christ, we celebrate God's particular call to our sisters and brothers.

Sentences of Scripture: (responsive)

There are varieties of gifts, but it is the same Spirit that gives them.
There are different ways of serving God, but it is the same Lord who is served.
God works through each person in a unique way but it is God's purpose that is accomplished.
To each is given a gift of the Spirit for the common good. Together we are the body of Christ and individually members of it.

Statement on Ordination and Installation

Clerk of Session-

Representing the one, holy, catholic, and apostolic church, the session of First Presbyterian Church of Redwood Falls now ordains ***Quentin Markfort*** to the office of elder and installs him to active service on the First Presbyterian Session of Redwood Falls.

(Please stand in body or in spirit)

Water is poured into the Font

Reaffirmation of the Baptismal Covenant

Renunciation:

Trusting in the gracious mercy of God, do you turn from the ways of sin and renounce evil and it's power in the world? **I do.**
Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Lord and Savior, trusting in his grace and love? **I do.**
Will you be Christ's faithful disciple, obeying his Word and showing his love?
I will with God's help.