

**Presbytery of North Central Iowa
Prayers for the Churches
2020**

The Commission on Ministry invites all congregations in the Presbytery of North Central Iowa to be in prayers for one another throughout the year. We hope in this way to share the spirit and power of prayer as we reflect on our oneness in Jesus Christ. The North Central Iowa Presbytery Bicentennial History – 200 Years Celebrate the Journey book will give you more understanding of each congregation as you pray. If you do not have a copy of the book, contact the Presbytery office.

<u>WEEK</u>	<u>CHURCH AND PASTOR(S)</u>
January 5, 2020	Presbyterian Mission Agency - deployed mission workers
January 12, 2020	First, Maxwell – CRE Adrian McMullen
January 19, 2020	Salem, Lincoln – Rev. Barb Muhs
January 26, 2020	First, Kamrar – Rev. Dr. Tom Bower, Moderator
February 2, 2020	First, LeRoy, Minnesota – Rev. Dr. John Kerr
February 9, 2020	Cedar Heights Community Presbyterian Church, Cedar Falls – Rev. Dr. Dave Kivett Rev. Johnny Janssen
February 16, 2020	First, Fort Dodge – Rev. Dr. Austin Hill Rev. Sara Hill Rev. Rebecca Dix
February 23, 2020	United, Goldfield – Rev. Sara Sutter
March 1, 2020	First, State Center – Rev. Dr. Tom Bower
March 8, 2020	United, Traer – Rev. Brice Hoyt
March 15, 2020	First, Conrad – Rev. Kerry Carson
March 22, 2020	First, Jesup – Rev. John White
March 29, 2020	United, Clarion – Rev. Bill Kem
April 5, 2020	First, Marshalltown – Rev. Dr. Rich King
April 12, 2020	First, Algona and First, Irvington – Rev. Stephen Nofel
April 19, 2020	First, Waterloo – Rev. Amy Wiles Rev. Pat Gadelmann, Associate
April 26, 2020	United, Garner – CRE Justin Asche

May 3, 2020	Pray for the Ministers in North Central Iowa who are active in Specialized Ministry – Rev. Tamara EnTin Rev. Dr. Linda Smith Rev. Kerin Lang Sorensen
May 10, 2020	First, Toledo – Rev. Dr. Tom Bower
May 17, 2020	First, Greene and Eden, Rudd – Rev. Catherine Belles
May 24, 2020	Unity, Waterloo – Rev. Christine Kaplunas
May 31, 2020	First, Mason City – Rev. Rev. Paul Collier
June 7, 2020	First, Cedar Falls – Rev. Brad Braley
June 14, 2020	Pray for honorably retired pastors in the Presbytery of North Central Iowa (not currently serving churches) – Rev. Bruce Baillie, Rev. John Bates, Rev. Fran Beyea, Rev. Susan Cluts, Rev. Doug Darnold, Rev. Dan Emmert, Rev. Robert EnTin, Rev. Jerry Evelsizer, Rev. John Hanna, Rev. Richard Harken, Rev. Wesley Harker, Rev. Jack Mauldin, Rev. Harold P. Martin, Rev. Marian “Pete” McCart, Rev. Larry Mitchell, Rev. Gordon Moen, Rev. Charles E. Orr, Rev. John Osborn, Rev. Mark Pell, Rev. Robert Roof, Rev. Mary Wilber, Rev. Dr. S. Glenn Wilson, and Rev. Cathy Young
June 21, 2020	Pray for the General Assembly meeting June 20-27, 2020
June 28, 2020	Pray for our ministry in the nation
July 5, 2020	First, Boone – Rev. Jim DuBois, Moderator
July 12, 2020	First, Lakota – CRE Kent Madison
July 19, 2020	Pray for other Minister members of North Central Iowa – Rev. Le Anne Clausen de Montes Rev. Barbara Huisman
July 26, 2020	Lakeshore Center at Okoboji – Harry Gabe, Associate Director Cassie Gabe, Associate Director
August 2, 2020	First, Ackley – CRE Diane Martin
August 9, 2020	Northminster, Ames – Rev. Jim DuBois
August 16, 2020	Westminster, Waterloo – Rev. Dr. Patricia Jacobs Rev. Daniel Voigt
August 23, 2020	First, Albion – CRE Charlie Flick

August 30, 2020	Collegiate, Ames – Rev. Dr. Brett Becker, Pastor/Head of Staff Rev. Betsy Thompson, Children and Youth Minister Rev. Julie Erkel Hagee, Director of Campus Ministry and Adult Spiritual Formation
September 6, 2020	Theological Institutions related to the PCUSA
September 13, 2020	First, Dows – Rev. Shawn Hill
September 20, 2020	Greater Greene County Presbyterian Ministries – Rev. Mark Rabideau (Grand Junction, First; Jefferson, First; Payton First) CRE Wendy Pittman
September 27, 2020	First, Reinbeck and Grundy Center, First – Rev. David Feltman and Rev. Gary Catterson, Co-Pastors
October 4, 2020	Bethany, Grundy Center – Rev. Al Polito
October 11, 2020	Lone Rock – CRE Walt Reemtsma
October 18, 2020	Barclay, Waterloo – CRE Larry Fuson
October 25, 2020	Central, Nevada – Rev. John Molacek
November 1, 2020	McCallsburg – Rev. Tom Poppe
November 8, 2020	Amity, Reinbeck – CRE Darryl Widmayer
November 15, 2020	Burt – CRE Kent Madison CRE Walt Reemtsma
November 22, 2020	First, Woden – CRE Diane Wilson
November 29, 2020	East Friesland, Ackley – CRE Lynn Arends First, Steamboat Rock – CRE Lynn Arends
December 6, 2020	St. Paul's, Washburn – Rev. Dr. Clemens Bartollas
December 13, 2020	Grand Ji Vante (formerly The Presbyterian Village) – Diane Martin, Chaplain
December 20, 2020	Pray for the Presbytery Staff: Rev. Ian McMullen, Temp. Supply General Presbyter Rev. Kristin Pike, Stated Clerk Jeannie Stolee, Administrative Assistant Karen Kaiser, Treasurer
December 27, 2020	Pray for The Synod of Lakes and Prairies Staff: RE Elona Street-Stewart, Synod Executive Rev. Dr. Deb DeMeester, Leadership Development RE Jim Koon, Financial Services and Treasurer Rev. Pam Prouty, Stated Clerk Amy Hartman, Financial Services Associate Gretchen Milloy, Office Coordinator

PRAYERS FOR THE CHURCH

Following are some sample Prayers from the **Book of Common Worship** published by Westminster/John Knox press in 1993

For the Church

Almighty and ever-living God,
ruler of all things in heaven and earth,
hear our prayers for this congregation.
Strengthen the faithful,
arouse the careless,
and restore the penitent.
Grant us all things necessary for our common
life, and bring us all to be of one heart and
mind within your holy church; through Jesus
Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

For the Mission of the Church

Almighty God, you sent your Son Jesus Christ
to reconcile the world to yourself.
We praise and bless you for those
whom you have sent in the power of the Spirit
to preach the gospel to all nations.
We thank you that in all parts of the earth
a community of love has been gathered together
by their prayers and labors,
and that in every place your servants call upon
your name; for the kingdom and the power and
the glory are yours forever. **Amen.**

For the Proclamation of the Gospel

By your word, O God, your creation sprang
forth,
and we were given the breath of life.
By your word, eternal God, death is overcome,
Christ is raised from the tomb, and we are
given a new life in the power of your Spirit.
May we boldly proclaim this good news,
by the words of our mouths and the deeds of
our lives,
rejoicing always in your powerful presence;
through Jesus Christ our risen Lord. **Amen.**

For a Meeting of the General Assembly, Synod, or Presbytery

Almighty God, in Jesus Christ you called
disciples and, by the Holy Spirit, made them
one church to serve you. Be with members of
our *General Assembly/synod/presbytery*. Help
them to welcome new things you are doing in
the world, and to respect old things you keep
and use. Save them from empty slogans or
senseless controversy. In their deciding,
determine what is good for us and for all
people. As the *General
Assembly/synod/presbytery* meets, let your
Spirit rule, so that our church may be joined in
love and service to Jesus Christ, who, having
gone before us, is coming to meet us in the
promise of your kingdom. *Amen.*

For Courage in Christ's Mission

Toyhiko Kagawa (1888-1960) O God, show us
clearly the heart of the kingdom of God. We
do not protest even if our life is destined to lead
to the cross, or if the way leads to our losing
our lives. We will march in the face of distress
and contrary winds. Teach us how to dispense
with unnecessary things. Let us go forward
without fear of death in order to fulfill our
mission simply, surely, and steadily. Reveal to
us our station clearly, and strengthen us to
teach and guide, by our example, all persons,
even those who are ruled by evil. We pray that
you may find us worthy to work through us.
Amen.