**Welcome visitors!** We are glad you could worship with us today. Please fill out a <u>Welcome Card</u> in the pew and put it in the offering plate to help us connect with you!

Welcome to our Pastor Candidate and His Wife – Pastor will be preaching and administering Communion during the Worship Service.

Jack Ritsma – Will be preaching Sunday, November 16.

**Congregational Meeting** – There will be a Congregational Meeting following worship today. Coffee Fellowship and Veteran's Recognition will follow the vote to call our Pastor Candidate.

**Nursery** – Our Nursery is open from 9:15-11:45 a.m. today. There will be no Sunday School.

**Prayer Concerns** – For all Prayer concerns, contact Patti Norris. (319-824-5231 or 319-823-0151)

**November-December Newsletter** – Printed copies of the newsletter are in the Narthex.

Operation Christmas Child - There are two ways to contribute to Operation Christmas Child - 1) fill a shoebox (return by 11/23) or 2) contribute with a monetary donation via offering by 11/9 (note Operation Christmas Child in memo line). More information can be found in the Narthex. Please reach out to Amanda Everts or Judy Harberts with any questions.

Thank you for your support of this mission!

# Colfax Center Presbyterian Church

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"A Church in the Country, For the Community"







#### Sunday November 9, 2025

#### **Reflection Before Service**

In evangelical circles today we are witnessing the abuse of ecclesiastical authority in two directions. There is, on the one hand, an abdication of church authority by some. Confronted with the individualistic, anti-law spirit of our time, cowardly church officers refuse to exercise the biblical oversight entrusted to them by Christ. In many circles authoritative preaching and corrective church discipline are conspicuously absent. Equally dangerous, however, is the tendency by others to overreact against such laxity. Church leaders lose sight of the fine line between the virtue of biblical counsel and guidance and the vice of usurping control over the conscience. . .Counsel becomes control, control becomes coercion, and coercion becomes tyranny over the conscience.

### Prelude Announcements

# \*Call to Worship

Psalm 143:7-8

Answer me quickly, O LORD! My spirit fails! Hide not your face from me, lest I be like those who go down to the pit. Let me hear in the morning of your steadfast love, for in you I trust. Make me know the way I should go, for to you I lift up my soul.

### \*Hymn of Praise

GHF 291 – Guide Me O Thou Great Jehovah

#### Call to Confession

Hebrews 13:17-18

Obey your leaders and submit to them, for they are keeping watch over your souls, as those who will have to give an account. Let them do this with joy and not with groaning, for that would be of no advantage to you. Pray for us, for we are sure that we have a clear conscience, desiring to act honorably in all things.

Prayer of Adoration and Confession.

The Lord's Prayer (Back of Sermon Outline)

#### Assurance of Pardon

Romans 12:3-5

For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of himself more highly than he ought to think, but to think with sober judgment, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned.

For as in one body we have many members, and the members do not all have the same function, so we, though many, are one body in Christ, and individually members one of another.

Children's Sermon

Leon Johnson

\*Song of Celebration

GHF 62 – Crown Him with Many Crowns

(vv. 1-3)

Worship Through Giving

General Fund

\*Doxology

\*Greeting

Leader: "The grace and peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you"

Congregation: "And also with you"

# Prayer of Thanksgiving and Supplication

Reading of God's Word

Ephesians 1:1-14

Sermon

"Adoption and Inheritance"

\*Confession of Faith

(Back of Sermon Outline)

Apostles' Creed

## Celebrating The Lord's Supper

\*Song of Response

Behold the Lamb

#### Benediction and Postlude

\*Those who are able, please stand

#### This Week at Colfax

#### Sunday, November 9

9:00a – "Coffee Chat"

9:30a - Morning Worship

10:30a – Congregational Meeting Coffee Fellowship &

Veteran's Recognition to follow

#### Tuesday, November 11

9:30a - Women's Bible Study 6:30p – Women's Bible Study

#### Wednesday, November 12

6:15p – "Chaos"

7:15p – "Friends First"

### Sunday, November 16

9:00a – "Coffee Chat"

9:30a – Morning Worship

10:30a – Coffee Fellowship

11:00a – Sunday School All Ages

### Serving Sunday, November 16

Coffee Chat: Erin L

Coffee Fellowship: Curt & Julie T Greeters: Joyce B / Mike & Karen D Nursery Worship: Lyon's Family

Nursey (SS): Pam A

Elevator Attendant: Shawn A

PowerPoint: Steve J Camera: Leon J Sound: Sheryl J

Call the church, 319-824-5231, or email secretary@colfaxcenterchurch.org of upcoming meetings to ensure building access and up-to-date calendars.

Please communicate all announcements to the church office weekly by 3:00 p.m. Wednesdays.

#### CENTER PRAISES & PRAYER CONCERNS

As you go to the Lord in prayer, please read the following scripture: Romans 12:12 "Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer."

#### Our nation and its leaders.

#### The ministries of our church:

- Elders & Deacons as they lead the church.
- Current Elders: Dean Salo, Curt Tjepkes, Tom Simms, Paul Smit, Kasey Lyons
- Current Deacons: Jesse Willis, Coty Albers, Shawn Albers, Bryce Eberline, Jim Beninga, Curt Bakker, Trent Siefken, Jason Steinmeyer
- Our Children's Ministries
- > The hearts of our congregation
- ➤ Our Missionaries, especially those in sensitive countries.

<u>Iowa Presbytery:</u> - One Ancient Hope (Iowa City) – Rev. Will Bankston

#### **Medical Prayer Request**

Jim Steinmeyer Family – For the passing of his brother.

**Laurie Kessler** – Healing from cancer.

**Shelby Luwe** – Receiving strong Chemo treatments for cancerous tumors that have returned.

Mark Benshoof – Receiving treatments for prostate cancer.

**Brian Schissel** – Receiving treatments for a brain tumor.

**Sheryl Johnson** – Receiving treatments for cancer.

Aimee Wolfe – Healing from a broken foot.

**Pray also for -** Our armed forces (Jacob Eilers). Also, those who are anxious, discouraged, facing difficult family situations, struggling with sin, or do not know Christ.

#### Those who are shut-in or in nursing homes:

Mary Bakker; Margie Kuhlman, Shirley Luwe, Orene Eberline, Joyce Dreesman.

# Sermon Outline "Adoption and Inheritance"

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#### The Lord's Prayer

(Matthew 6:9-13 ESV)

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name.
Your kingdom come, your will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread,
and forgive us our debts,
as we also have forgiven our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For yours is the kingdom and the power
and the glory, forever.
Amen

# 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 Spirit, and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic\* church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen

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