

Presbyterian Church of Vinton



*Those who walk with God always
reach their destination.*

Presbyterian Church of Vinton
Third Sunday of Lent

Sunday, March 8, 2026

10:30 AM

Prelude

Organist

Welcome And Announcements

Liturgist

A special welcome to our online visitors.

Responsive Call to Worship

From: Psalm 95

Liturgist

O come, let us sing to the Lord; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!

Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!

For the Lord is a great God, and a great King above all gods.

In his hand are the depths of the earth; the heights of the mountains are his also.

O come, let us worship and bow down, let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker!

For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand. O that today we would listen to his voice!

***Hymn # 2**

Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing

***Call to Confession**

Liturgist

Walking the dog, reading a bedtime story, recycling newspapers - in every moment, in every place, God is there. Let us confess how often we do not see God in our lives, especially in how we live them.

***Unison Prayer of Confession**

God of eternity, you know how often we travel down the rocky roads of doubt and fear. We pester others with our worries; we hurl bitter words at those we love. We have chances to offer ourselves in service but give only our contempt to those in need. We could share the living waters with the world but want to store it in jars for safekeeping.

Fountain of Grace, you turn towards us, to meet us wherever we are. You break open our rock-hard sin, so we might be made whole. In Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior, our thirst for hope and joy is quenched. Amen.

***Responsive Assurance of Pardon**

Liturgist

God does not disappoint us. Our sins are forgiven, our lives are made whole, we are sent forth to serve.

In Jesus Christ, living water breaks through the roof of our hearts, in such abundance that we don't have enough buckets to hold it all. Thanks be to God. Amen.

***Gloria Patri**

Scripture

Isaiah 12:1-3

Liturgist

Thanksgiving and Praise

You will say in that day: I will give thanks to you, O Lord, for though you were angry with me, your anger turned away, and you comforted me. Surely God is my salvation; I will trust, and will not be afraid, for the Lord God is my strength and my might; he has become my salvation. With joy you will draw water from the wells of salvation.

Scripture

John 4:7-14

Pastor

There came a woman of Samar'ia to draw water. Jesus said to her, "Give me a drink." For his disciples had gone away into the city to buy food. The Samaritan woman said to him, "How is it that you, a Jew, ask a drink of me, a woman of Samar'ia?" For Jews have no dealings with Samaritans. Jesus answered her, "If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, 'Give me a drink,' you would have asked him, and he would have given you living water." The woman said to him, "Sir, you have nothing to draw with, and the well is deep; where do you get that living water?"

... With thanksgiving we offer our very selves to you to be a living and holy sacrifice, dedicated to your service.

Great is the mystery of faith: Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

Gracious God, pour out your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these your gifts of bread and wine ... we shall feast with all your saints in the joy of your eternal realm.

Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor are yours, almighty God, now and forever. Amen.

Lord's Prayer

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

Communion Of the People

Pastor

Words Of Institution

Distribution Of Elements

***Hymn # 379**

Take My Life and Let it Be

(vs.1,6)

***Benediction**

Pastor

*You are invited to rise in body/spirit as you are able

Today's Service

Pastor: Johannes Poetschner

Liturgist: Jax Elwick

Organist: Inge Schminke

Ushers: Buildings and Grounds

Communion: Marilyn Yedlik, Rosemary Schwartz and Terrie Johnson

Every Sunday's Schedule

- 9:15 AM Youth Sunday School
9:30 AM Adult Sunday School
9:45 AM Small Group choir warm up in the choir room
(Sundays 1,2,4)
10:30 AM Sunday Worship Service
11:30 AM Fellowship in Fellowship Hall

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Elders: Nancy Baldwin, Mindy Burke, Jerry Blank, Terrie Johnson, Bonnie Peacock, Rosemary Schwartz, Angie Merchant-Stueck, Pauline Elwick and Jax Elwick.

Deacons: Marilyn Yedlik(Chr.), Jorgie Bendull, Karen Buseman, Gwen Eells, Marti Eckhart, Joan Oliphant, Ron Tippet, Dianna Wiese.

President of the Corporation: Terrie Johnson

Treasurer: Linda Druschel

Secretary: Bonnie Peacock

Next Sunday, March 15, 2026

Pastor: Johannes Poetschner

**Scriptures: Ephesian's 5:8-14
John 9:1-7**

Theme: The Light of Christ

Liturgist: Mindy Burke

Ushers: Buildings and Grounds

Announcements

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2026 Per Capita: \$46.63

How the 2026 per capita is distributed. The 2026 amount of \$46.63 (GA (General Assembly), \$11.26, Synod (Intermediate higher governing body) \$5.50, PEIA (Presbytery of East Iowa \$29.87)

Attendance on March 1, 2026: 37 and 4 visitors

Zoom: (1) Facebook: (4) Views for the week: 133

This Week:

Monday, March 9	9:00 – 12:00 AM	Office Closed
Monday, March 9	6:00 PM	Hand Bell Practice
Tuesday, March 10	9:00-11:00 AM	Sewing Group

Thank you to Gail Watters and Kathy Blank for serving treats and coffee following this morning’s Worship Service.

With Easter approaching: if you would like to share an Easter Lily with the church in honor someone, please let the church secretary know in advance of whom the Lily is in honor of and what you would like to be printed in the bulletin.



For our Church

Sunday, March 29	10:30 AM	Palm Sunday Service
Tuesday, March 31	7:00 AM	Ecumenical Service
Thursday, April 2	7:00 PM	Maundy Thursday Communion
Sunday, April 5	8:30 AM	Sunrise Service

Ecumenical Services will be held on the following days at 7AM with the exception of Friday.

March 30, Monday:	Bethlehem
March 31, Tuesday:	Presbyterian
April 1, Wednesday:	Roman Catholic
April 2, Thursday:	Disciples
April 3, Friday:	Methodist (noon service)

