

Welcome

We are an inclusive, Christ-centered community of faith, passionately committed to sharing the love of Jesus Christ in practical ways. Please let us know of your interests and concerns.

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We want to get to know you!

- Fill in the Friendship Pads; please use a name tag.
- Introduce yourself to one of the pastors.
- Join us for coffee and conversation in Westminster Hall.
- Trouble hearing? Try a hearing device at the back of the Sanctuary.
- Large-print hymnals are on the back table.
- Wheelchairs are available for in-church use.
- Printed sermons are available the following week; video is available at www.firstpres.live

Children, Youth & Families

Child care is provided for infants, toddlers, and preschool children in the Christian Education building directly across the alley during worship. Please check your children in with the attendants. There will be no Sunday School for Elementary, Middle School, or High School students concurrent with worship this summer. Children of these ages are encouraged to worship with their families. Activity boxes and books are provided for children who attend the service at the back of the sanctuary on the white shelves. Please return these items to the shelves when finished. For those needing to step out for a moment to console children and meet their needs, Westminster Hall, located directly below the Sanctuary, has a children's corner and a monitor showing the worship service. Restrooms with changing tables are located in the west hallway by Westminster Hall.

Contact our Director of Children, Youth, and Families, **Mindy Watts-Ellis** (mindy@firstpres.church) for more information about children and youth education and family events.



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF CHAMPAIGN

August 5, 2018

11th Sunday after Pentecost

18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8 and 9 AM

COMMUNION SUNDAY

Remembering His Sacrifice

JOHN 6:53



Welcome to First Presbyterian Church
Bienvenue à La Première Eglise Presbytérienne de Champaign
Bienvenidos a La Primera Iglesia Presbiteriana

삼페인 제일 장로교회에 오신것을 환영합니다.

Pour nos amis de langue française et les membres,
nous avons des copies du sermon d'aujourd'hui en français
à l'arrière de l'église

Service for the Lord's Day

A special welcome to those at our church for the first time.

The Welcoming

Prelude Karen Dohme
Preparation for Worship – Tower Bell
The Greeting and Announcements
Minute for Mission – Salt & Light Lisa Sullivan

Drawing Near to God

Call to Worship

One Called to lead a life that is worthy, we gather as God's people.
Many Whatever roads we walk, whatever waters we have passed through, we share one baptism.
One Called to model lives of service, we share in the building up of Christ's Body.
Many Our backgrounds are different, our habits vary, but we share a common faith in Christ.
One Called to be people of peace and gentleness, we offer these gifts to all of God's creation.
Many Though each of us is unique and precious to God, our hearts beat as one with hope.
One Lead a life worthy of the One who has called you by one faith, one hope, one baptism.
Many We gather as God's family at the Table prepared for us, to be fed by the Bread of Life.

❖ **Hymn 281** *Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah*

❖ Call to Confession

One God longs for us to be faithful children, God asks us to live as role models for a world desperate for hope. But we know how often we raise up trouble by our words, our actions, our failures. Let us speak truthfully in love about our lives, as we come to the One whose love is as constant as the air we breathe...

❖ Prayer of Confession

We know the mistakes we have made, God of Justice, the harsh words we have spoken, the hurt we have inflicted on those around us. Like children who run from one distraction to another, we chase after the easy temptations of the world. Chewing on bread made out of the ashes of our brokenness, we act as if we were allergic to your Word. We continue to do all those things which break your heart, not wanting to look in the mirror and see our true selves. Forgive us, Cradler of Compassion. Grace us with the new life gifted in the Bread. Heal us with the joy and gladness of the Cup. Craft us new hearts, which beat with one another, and as one with Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior...(continue to pray in silence.)

❖ Assurance of Pardon

One Seeing our brokenness, God puts us back together; knowing our hunger for hope, God feeds us with Christ; hearing our prayers, God chooses to forgive us. Hear the Good News: we are forgiven.

Many One hope, one faith, one baptism, one Body – these are the gifts God gives to us, in this moment and in all the moments to come. Thanks be to God. Amen.

❖ Passing of the Peace

Leader The peace of Christ be with you.
People And also with you.
Leader Please greet one another in the peace of Christ.
Response #579 *Glory Be To the Father*

9Children's Sermon Sarah Laufenberg

Act of Friendship and Offering of Gifts and Tithes

Give Me Jesus arr. Moses Hogan
Aimee Stuart-Flunker
Please complete Prayer Request Card

Hearing God's Word

Prayer for Illumination

A Reading from the Gospels *John 6:22-35* (NT pg. 98)

One This is the Word of the Lord.
Many Thanks be to God!

Sermon *Why Are You Here?* Eric Corbin

The Apostles' Creed (Ecumenical version; see screen)

Responding to God's Word

Celebration of the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

We are Invited

We give Thanks (sung to *Day Is Done – Ar HydY Nos*)

For the fruit of all creation, Thanks be to God.

For the gifts to every nation, Thanks be to God.

For the wonders that astound us, For the truths that still confound us.

Most of all that love has found us, Thanks be to God...

The 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. Hear our prayer, O Lord.

The Meal is Set

The Meal is Shared

We close in Prayer

❖ **Hymn 329** *Break Thou the Bread of Life*

❖ Benediction

❖ Congregational Choral Benediction

The Spirit sends us forth to serve to scatter joy like seed And all our days to cherish life to do the loving deed.

Then let us go to serve in peace, the gospel to proclaim. God's Spirit has empowered us; we go in Jesus' name.

❖ Postlude

(If you wish to be seated for the postlude, you may.)

Karen Dohme

❖ Please stand if able

This Week

Sunday, August 5

- 8:00 AM Contemplative Worship/Sanctuary
- 9:00 AM Traditional Worship/Sanctuary
- 10:10 AM Feasting on the Word/Parlor
- 11:00 AM The Gathering/Centennial Hall
- 12:00 PM New Americans & Session/Parlor
- 12:00 PM Praise & Prayer Choir Rehearsal/Centennial Hall
- 2:00 PM French Young Adult Group/Chapel

Monday, August 6

- 9:00 AM SAFE House Class/Chapel
- 9:00 AM Day Reporting Center/Centennial Hall
- 1:00 PM GROW/Chapel
- 4:00 PM HR Meeting/Library
- 5:30 PM AA/Centennial Hall

Tuesday, August 7

- 7:00 AM Men's Breakfast/Centennial Hall
- 9:00 AM Day Reporting Center/Centennial Hall
- 9:30 AM BIG Event Planning/Library
- 10:30 AM Staff Meeting/Parlor
- 1:30 PM Park Discussion/Library
- 7:00 PM Session Meeting/Westminster Hall

Wednesday, August 8

- 8:30 AM SEA Group/Parlor
- 9:00 AM Day Reporting Center/Centennial Hall
- 12:00 PM CYF Team/Chapel
- 1:00 PM Pakistan Travel Group/Parlor
- 3:00 PM Outreach Directory Mtg/Parlor
- 5:30 PM Covenant Bible Study/Centennial Hall

Thursday, August 9

- 7:30 AM Men's Breakfast/Library
- 9:00 AM Day Reporting Center/Centennial Hall
- 10:30 AM Membership Team/Parlor
- 11:30 AM Outreach Team/Parlor
- 5:00 PM DREAAM Parent Orientation/Centennial Hall

Friday, August 10 Church Office closes at 12 noon

- 8:30 AM Men's Prayer/Chapel
- 5:00 PM Praise & Prayer Choir Rehearsal/Centennial Hall

Saturday, August 11

- 3:00 PM Worship Prep/Centennial Hall
- 6:00 PM Praise & Prayer Gathering/Centennial Hall

The church office will close at 12 noon on Fridays throughout the summer.

Fall Worship Schedule

The Sunday morning schedule will be adjusted this fall to allow a dedicated block of time for the Sunday School from 10:15 to 11:05 AM. **Beginning September 9, 2018**, the Contemporary (The Gathering) worship service time will move to 11:15 AM.

Fall Schedule September 9

- 8:00-8:45 Contemplative Worship
- 9:00-10:00 Traditional Worship
- 10:00-10:10 Fellowship
- 10:15-11:05 Sunday School
- 11:15-12:15 Contemporary Worship

Worship

•Liturgist this morning is **Dick Coddington** at the 8 AM service and **Sandy Carr** at the 9 AM service.

•This morning's **sermon** is available online on Monday or printed copies can be found in the kiosks next Sunday.

Connect

•**We are glad you're here!** If you want to learn more about becoming a member of First Pres., contact **Pastor Matt** or **Pastor Eric** or **Linda Peterson** from the Membership Team (membership@firstpres.church) or call the church office.

•**Feasting on the Word**, adult Spiritual Formation drop-in class meets each Sunday at 10:10 AM in the Parlor. Bring your coffee and join us!

•**Spiritual Formation** invites you to join us each Wednesday at 5:45 for dinner and study (RSVP to **Claudia Kirby** claudia.a.kirby@gmail.com) followed by the study at 6:30. Materials cost \$30. Scholarships are available.

•First Pres will end the summer with a **church-wide picnic and pool party** on Sunday, August 19, at Sholem Aquatic Center. Bring a food dish to share for the picnic at 6 PM in Centennial Park (chicken and hotdogs will be provided), then stay for a swim at 8 PM. Everyone is welcome at this free event. Swimming is optional.

•**Annual Celebration/Fundraising Banquet for Jesus is the Way Prison Ministries** will be held Friday, August 24, 2018 from 6-8 PM (doors open at 5:30) at the Laborer's Local 703 Hall, 108 East Anthony Drive, Urbana, IL. Proceeds and contributions go towards the rehabilitation of paroled inmates. The ministry teaches them all that is necessary to become solid wage earning, Christian and productive citizens of our state. Jesus is the Way Prison Ministries is the only half-way house institution in the state of Illinois that has a Christian base. This is the 41st year of the ministry.

Serve

•First Pres will take part in the **Taste of Champaign-Urbana** again this year and we need your help! We're looking for friendly folks to work a shift at our booth on August 17 or 18. No special skills required; just a friendly face! Sign up at the Welcome Center in Westminster or contact **Gary Peterson** at amer_swede@yahoo.com.