

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!

- If you would like to hear the service in French, please pick up headphones and a receiver at the back of the Sanctuary. Si vous souhaitez que le service soit traduit en français, procurez-vous un récepteur et des écouteurs à l'arrière du sanctuaire.
- Fill in the Friendship Pads; please use a name tag.
- Introduce yourself to your pew mates and 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 this summer.

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 Family Ministries, **Mindy Watts-Ellis** (mindy@firstpres.church) for more information.



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF CHAMPAIGN

June 9, 2019
Pentecost
8 and 9 AM



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

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Service for the Lord's Day

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

We'd love to connect with you this morning. Fill out the Friendship Pad when passed, then stop by our Welcome Center after the service to receive a small gift. Enjoy some coffee, meet new people, and learn how our church can become your home.

Prelude

Richard Rossi

Preparation for Worship – Tower Bell

Greeting & Announcements

9Introit *Come, Gracious Spirit*

Paul Sjolund

♦**Call to Worship** (adapted from Acts 2)

God formed the church in this way:

Choir: And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking on the native language of each. Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language?"

Men: Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia...

(Residents of Urbana, Savoy, and Champaign...)

Women: Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes...

Cretans and Arabs – in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power."

All: All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" But others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine."

Holy God, may we be filled with the wine of your Spirit. Accept our praise and service. Guide our steps. Hear our shouts of thanksgiving.

All: Praise the Lord! Let us worship God! The Lord's name be praised!

♦**Hymn #305** *Come Sing, O Church, In Joy!*

♦**Call to Confession** (from *Feasting on the Word*)

Do not let your hearts be troubled but confess your sins and God will give you peace.

♦**Prayer of Confession**

Lord Christ, who takes away the sins of the world, have mercy on us for we have sinned:

We worship status.

We are hooked on the intoxicants of technology.

We are impatient in an age of immediacy.

We have forgotten we are finite and have pretended to be gods.

We are impatient with our God-given limits.

We talk justice and nod off when it's time to stand up.

We make friends with the popular and the unexpected.

We strive to be nice instead of holy.

We play it safe.

Forgive our sins, Lord God, and help us more fully claim who we are: your forgiven, beloved children. Help us bear your grace to everyone and live bravely in the light of your grace and joy. In Christ's name we pray. AMEN.

♦**Assurance of Pardon**

Friends, hear the good news of the gospel: In Jesus Christ, we are God's forgiven people.

Thanks be to God!

♦**Passing of the Peace**

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

(Please greet one another in the peace of Christ.)

Response of Gratitude #1 *Holy, Holy Holy! Lord God Almighty!* (see screen)

9Hymn #289 *On Pentecost They Gathered*

Act of Friendship (Learn the names of your pew mates.)

Please complete Prayer Request Card.

9Children's Time

Offering of Gifts and Tithes

Richard Rossi

9Sung Response #54 *Make a Joyful Noise to God!* (see screen)

9Prayer of Dedication and Thanksgiving

9Anthem *I'm Gonna Sing*

arr. Alice Parker

Prayer for Illumination #288 *Spirit of the Living God* (see screen)

A Reading from the New Testament

Acts 16:16-18 (NT pg. 136)

This is the Word of the LORD.

Thanks be to God.

Message *Did the Former Slave Girl Find a Home In the Church?*

Pastor Matt Matthews

An Affirmation of Faith adapted from *The Heidelberg Catechism* and *A Brief Statement of Faith* (see screen)

9Commissioning of Audrey Mfulama

9Call to Prayer *Your Will Be Done*

Paul Sjolund

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Concern

The Lord's Prayer (Hymnal pg. 35)

♦**Hymn #301** *Let Us Build a House/All Are Welcome*

♦**Charge and Benediction**

♦**Congregational Choral Benediction**

#692 Spirit, Open My Heart (see screen)

♦**Postlude**

Richard Rossi

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

♦Please stand if able.

This Week

Sunday, June 9

- 8:00 AM Contemplative Worship/Sanctuary
- 9:00 AM Traditional Worship/Sanctuary
- 10:00 AM Easy English Fellowship/Room 204
- 10:15 AM Adult Ed/Parlor
- 11:15 AM The Gathering/Centennial Hall
- 11:15 AM French Bible Study/Room 204
- 1:00 PM VBS/CE Building
- 2:00 PM French Young Adult Group/Room 204
- 2:00 PM Praise & Prayer Choir Rehearsal/Centennial Hall

Monday, June 10

- 9:00 AM DREAAM Youth Center/Centennial Hall
- 9:00 AM ESL Classes/Rooms 204, 205, Café
- 1:00 PM GROW/Chapel
- 1:00 PM Prayer Team/Library
- 5:30 PM AA/Centennial Hall
- 6:30 PM Epilepsy Support/Westminster Hall

Tuesday, June 11

- 7:00 AM Men's Breakfast Study/Centennial Hall
- 9:00 AM DREAAM Youth Center/Centennial Hall
- 9:00 AM ESL Classes/Rooms 204, 205, Café
- 9:00 AM Kitchen Renovation Team/Westminster Hall
- 10:30 AM Staff Google Training/Café
- 5:30 PM Contemporary Worship Team/Parlor
- 7:00 PM Worship Team/Parlor

Wednesday, June 12

- 8:30 AM SEA Group/Parlor
- 9:00 AM DREAAM Youth Center/Centennial Hall
- 9:00 AM ESL Classes/Rooms 204, 205, Café
- 11:00 AM CYF Meeting/Chapel
- 11:30 AM Stephen Ministry Support/Parlor
- 5:30 PM Pre-Triennium Cookout/Matthew's Home

Thursday, June 13

- 7:30 AM Men's Breakfast/Library
- 9:00 AM DREAAM Youth Center/Centennial Hall
- 9:00 AM ESL Classes/Rooms 204, 205, Café
- 10:30 AM Membership Mtg/Parlor
- 11:30 AM Nurture Mtg/Parlor
- 2:00 PM Don Fischer Memorial/Sanctuary
- 4:30 PM Finance/Library
- 5:30 PM Courageous Conversation/Parlor

Friday, June 14 Church Office Closes at Noon

- 8:30 AM Men's Prayer/Chapel
- 9:00 AM DREAAM Youth Center/Centennial Hall

Saturday, June 15

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

The church office will close at noon on Fridays throughout the summer months (Memorial Day through Labor Day.)

Worship

•Liturgist this morning is **Jeff Henderson** at the 8 AM service and **Betty Hollister** at the 9 AM service. Want to serve? Contact **Judi Geistlinger** at judgeistlinger@outlook.com.

•We **welcome children** of all ages to worship. The CYF committee has provided green pew cards with tips on the back for guiding children in worship.

•This morning we commission **Audrey Mfulama** who will be attending the Lux Summer Theological Institute for Youth June 16-30 at Monmouth College.

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•Today we take up the **Pentecost Offering**. A gift to the Offering helps the church encourage, develop, and support its young people, and also address the needs of at-risk children. 40% of the Pentecost offering is retained by First Presbyterian Church with two-thirds going toward scholarships to Camp Carew for our young people and a third of it will be going toward DREAAM. The remaining 60% is used to support ministries of the Presbyterian Mission Agency for young adult volunteers (YAV), ministries for youth and children-at-risk.

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

•This is a great time to join the **choir**. We do not rehearse on Wednesdays! Singers from middle school through 'very experienced' are welcome. Sunday rehearsal is at 8:15 AM.

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.

•Join us TODAY at 10:15 AM in the Parlor. **Dr. Joe Grant** will present *Intro to Hymnody* and a hymn sing.

•**Vacation Bible School** begins today at 1 PM! We will be discovering neighbors near and far from Cuba while learning the greatest commandments. It is not too late to register children who have just completed Kindergarten through 5th grade. Go to firstpres.church and click on the VBS banner to register online. We could still use some adult volunteers for June 16 games and a friendly greeter at the education building door. Contact **Mindy** at mindy@firstpres.church to volunteer and for more information.

Serve

•**Take a turn with coffee hour...** If you enjoy the coffee hour between services, perhaps you can volunteer to make coffee or clean up after coffee hour, one Sunday soon. Please contact **Tom Gilmore**, gilmoretom9@gmail.com or **Nancy Brombaugh**, n.brombaugh@gmail.com, if you are willing to help.