

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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FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF CHAMPAIGN

October 29, 2017 8 and 9 AM

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; video is available at www.firstpres.live

Children, Youth & Families

Please sign in your child in the education building. There you will receive a name tag for your child/ren and a matching identification label to be used by the parent or guardian during pick up. Our nursery and toddler rooms (birth - 2yr) are open from 8:45 AM-12 PM each Sunday. The Sunday School education hour for K-8th grade is during the 9 AM worship service. The education hour for Confirmands and High School students is from 10:10-11 AM.

Schedule

- 8:45-9:00 Children check-in and gather in the chapel
- 9:00-9:15 K-5 grades in worship, then class in the Education Building until 10 AM
- 9:00-10:00 Preschool and Middle School lessons in their classrooms
- 10:00 Parents pick up children in the family library on the first floor of the Education Building
- 10:10-11:00 High School Class, Confirmation Class (runs October 1-May 20)
- 11:00 Parent pick up of youth at Education Building entrance
- 11:00-12:00 Nursery and toddler rooms still available for child care

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.

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REFORMATION SUNDAY

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.

Prelude Richard Rossi
Preparation for Worship – Tower Bell
Greeting

9Introit *Praise the Lord, Be Joyful* Haydn/Hopson

Call to Worship

Leader God is our refuge and strength,
always ready to help in times of trouble.
People **So we will not fear, even if earthquakes
come, and the mountains crumble into the
sea.**
Leader Let the oceans roar and foam.
Let the mountains tremble as the waters surge!
People **The Lord Almighty is here among us;
the God of Israel is our fortress.**

◆**Hymn 260** *A Mighty Fortress Is Our God*

9Children's Sermon

Prayer of Confession

Lord of all, the demands of your righteousness are too hard for us to fulfill alone, so we rush off with this excuse and ignore your law. You forgive our iniquity and remember our sin no more, and we abuse this freedom as if it were a license to selfishness, self-indulgence and self-righteousness. You give us the gift of grace: atonement through your Son, yet we make it cheap without serious repentance. We fail to see the power of your faithfulness. We are your people, but do we know you as our God? Forgive us Lord, the sins we know in our heart. Save us Lord from the sins we hide...
(continue to pray in silence)

Assurance of Pardon

Leader God shows us God's own righteousness and divine forbearance. Through the work of the Holy Spirit given to us, we may come to know the truth and be made free.
People **Jesus Christ sets us free from our slavery to sin. Our sins are forgiven. Through his death and resurrection, we are made new!**

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 #576 *Gloria, Gloria*

9◆**Hymn 364** *I Sing a Song of the Saints of God*

Act of Friendship & Updates

Offering of Gifts and Tithes

Richard Rossi
#592 Doxology; Prayer of Dedication

Scripture *Psalms 46* (OT pg. 517)

9Anthem *Let All the World in Every Corner Sing* Robert Boyd

Scripture *Romans 3:19-28* (NT pg. 154)

Message *Reformed and Reforming*
Eric Corbin

A Litany of Remembrance

Leader Since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses,
People **Let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us,**
Leader Giving thanks for those whose faith and example have revealed your presence.

Remembering Our Loved Ones

Robert Brunson	Edith Daniels
Joann Hower	Richard Joy
Mary McDonald	Linda McKay
Elizabeth Mussey	Jacqueline Peden
Marge Richmond	Rick Sandquist
Dave Shaul	Nadine Sutton
Don Swanstrom	Geraldine Thompson
Don Trulock	Phyllis Van Buskirk
Kathy Villegas	Ben Watts
Bill Widenor	

Prayer of Remembrance

Gracious God, as we remember with thanksgiving those whose lives have enriched our own, point us to life everlasting. Remind us that, as we grieve, we do so not as those without hope because you are the Lord of this life and the life to come. We give you thanks that our departed loved ones remain not only in our memories, but now live triumphantly in Your Kingdom where we one day will be reunited with them, when your kingdom comes in fullness. We pray in the name of our Lord, Jesus Christ. Amen.

9Call to Prayer *Bow Down Your Ear, O Lord* Fatyeff/Hopson

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

Moment for Ministry – Stewardship Eric/Cathy Stickels

◆**Hymn 526** *For All the Saints*

◆Benediction

8◆Benediction Response

May the Lord, Mighty God, bless and keep you forever. Grant you peace, perfect peace, courage in every endeavor. Lift your eyes and see His face, and His grace forever. May the Lord, Mighty God, bless and keep you forever.

9◆**Choral Benediction** *Christ Now Go Before Us*

Schubert/Hopson

◆Postlude

Richard Rossi

◆Please stand if able.

This Week

Sunday, October 29

- 8:00 AM Contemplative Worship/Sanctuary
- 9:00 AM Traditional Worship/Sanctuary
- 9:00 AM Sunday School (K-5th in Worship until 9:15)/CE Bldg
- 10:10 AM High School Class/CE Bldg
- 10:10 AM Confirmation Class/Room 206
- 10:10 AM Adult Drop-In Class/Parlor
- 10:10 AM Adult Drop-In Class (French)/Room 204
- 11:00 AM The Gathering/Centennial Hall
- 12:00 PM Pastor Nominating Committee/Chapel
- 12:00 PM Praise & Prayer Choir Rehearsal/Centennial Hall
- 2:00 PM French Young Adult Group/Room 204
- 5:00 PM Trunk or Treat/Parking Lot
- 6:00 PM Soup Supper/Centennial Hall

Monday, October 30

- 9:00 AM ESL Classes/Room 204
- 12:00 PM Prayer (French)/Various Homes
- 1:00 PM GROW/Chapel
- 5:00 PM Prayer (French)/Various Homes
- 5:30 PM AA/Centennial Hall

Tuesday, October 31

- 7:00 AM Men's Breakfast/Centennial Hall
- 9:00 AM ESL Classes/Room 204
- 10:30 AM Staff Meeting/Parlor
- 12:00 PM Classic Book Study/Atkins Bldg.
- 12:00 PM Prayer (French)/Various Homes
- 5:00 PM Prayer (French)/Various Homes

Wednesday, November 1

- 9:00 AM ESL Classes/Room 204
- 12:00 PM Prayer (French)/Various Homes
- 5:00 PM Prayer (French)/Various Homes
- 6:00 PM Bell Choir Rehearsal/Bell Room
- 6:30 PM Cuba Study/Bob & Claudia Kirby's home
- 7:00 PM Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal/Choir Room

Thursday, November 2

- 7:00 AM Men's Breakfast/Hardees on South Neil
- 9:00 AM ESL Classes/Room 204
- 9:00 AM Women's Study/Parlor
- 12:00 PM Congregational Care Deacons/Westminster Hall
- 12:00 PM Prayer (French)/Various Homes
- 5:00 PM Prayer (French)/Various Homes
- 6:00 PM YoungLives/Centennial Hall

Friday, November 3

- 8:30 AM Men's Prayer/Chapel
- 12:00 PM Prayer (French)/Various Homes
- 5:00 PM Prayer (French)/Various Homes
- 7:00 PM Celebration 150 Organ Concert/Sanctuary

Saturday, November 4

- 8:00 AM Adopt-A-Highway/Entry to CE Building
- 3:00 PM Worship Prep/Centennial Hall
- 6:00 PM Praise & Prayer Gathering/Centennial Hall

Worship

•Liturgists this morning are **Jeff Henderson** at the 8 AM service and **Eric Stickels** at the 9 AM service.

Connect

•**Trunk-or-Treat** this afternoon from 5-6 PM in the church parking lot followed by a soup supper from 6-7 PM in Centennial Hall. It's not too late to sign up to decorate your car trunk and hand out candy or help with the soup supper. We could use more volunteers for clean up. Sign-up sheets will be located in Westminster Hall again this morning to volunteer. Those bringing cars to decorate should plan to be parked by 4:30 PM in the east side of the church lot and begin to set up. Those bringing soup should make enough to feed 30 people and bring it in a crock pot to keep it hot to Centennial Hall by 5:30 PM.

•The **Tuesday Classic Book Study** will be starting a new book, *The Return of the Prodigal's Son* by Henri Nouwen, on Tuesday, October 31. The group meets Tuesdays at noon at the Atkins Bldg. in the conference room on the 2nd floor. They would love to have anyone interested in the study to join them. For more information see **Ginny Waaler** or **Jeannie Snoeyink**.

•An **evening of music** will be held Friday, November 3 at 7 PM in the Sanctuary. Organist **Richard Rossi** and the **Downstate Strings** will present a concert showcasing our new organ. The program will include solo organ works by Bach and Pachelbel, the Handel *Organ Concerto Opus 4, No. 4*, two pieces for violin and organ by Joseph Rheinberger, *Rhosymedre* by Ralph Vaughan Williams, and *Mvt. II* from the *Haydn String Quartet Opus 76, No. 3* (the "Kaiser"). The concert is free and open to the public. A reception will follow. Please invite your friends and family to this upcoming concert in our church.

•**Church Women United** invite you to their November Community Day celebration on Friday, November 3, at 9:30 AM at Bethel AME, 401 East Park Street, Champaign. The program is *Kindling New Fires for Peace*. They will consider what it means to use mutual respect to create an ecumenical, inclusive community that is just, caring and supportive. Please join them for a morning of fellowship and shared love of God.

•Reminder...There is a container in the Mission closet for **General Mills box tops** that are still being collected by our Presbyterian Women. Box tops help in providing supplies and equipment to Kemmerer Village.