

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

March 5, 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; audio can be found early the following week on the church website.

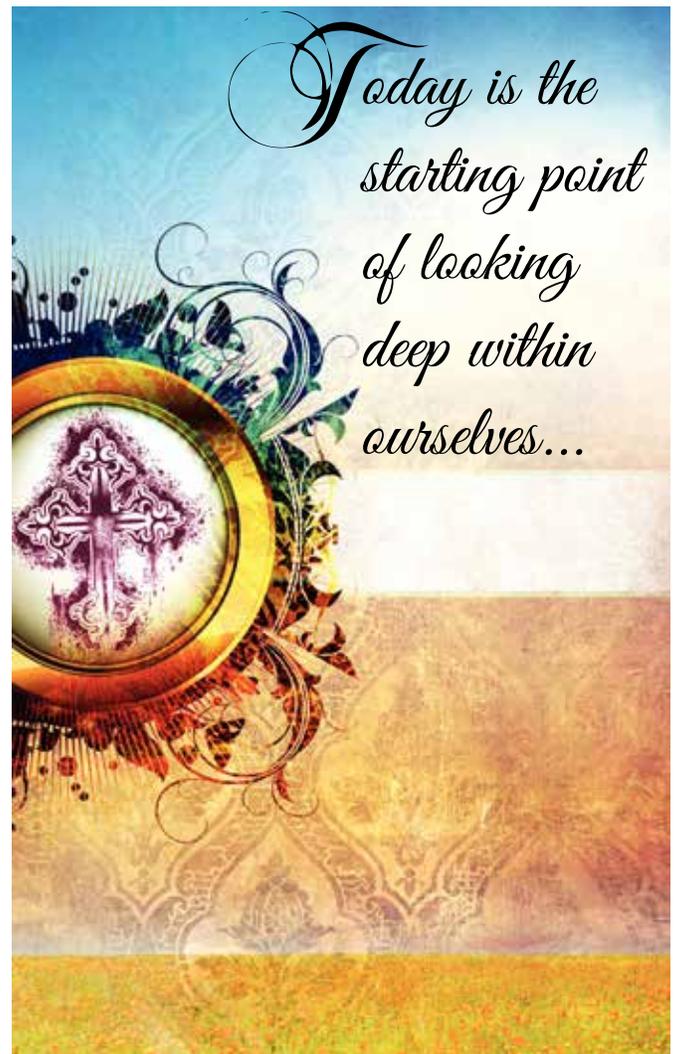
Children, Youth & Families

Please sign in your child in the Education Building. There you will receive a nametag for your child and a matching identification label to be used by the parent during pick up. Classes for Preschool-8th grade begin at 9 AM. High School Youth Sunday School begins at 10:30 AM after worship. All classes are held in the Christian Education Building. Children will be served a snack in their class. Our Nursery and Toddler Rooms (birth – 2 years) are open from 8:45 – 10:30 AM each Sunday.

Schedule

8:50-9:00	Students check-in
9:00-10:00	Sunday School for Preschool – 8 th Grade
10:00	Parents may pick up Preschool children
10-10:30	Children's Choir practice or Mission project option (K-8)
10:30	Parents pick up students in the Chapel or Café in the Christian Education Building.
10:30-11:30	High School and recent grad group in the Christian Education Building

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.



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 8 Richard Rossi
9 *Lead Me Lord; The Lord Bless You and Keep You*
arr. Douglas Wagner
Upper Room Ringers; Karin Vermillion, Director

Preparation for Worship – Tower Bell

Minute for Mission – Cuba Pat Metcalf

The Greeting and Announcements

Drawing Near to God

9Introit *Holy, Holy, Holy* John Worst

Call to Worship

Leader God will instruct and teach us in the way we should go.

People God will keep a close eye upon us as we are guided.

Leader Steadfast love will surround those who trust in the Lord.

People We who seek to be faithful to God's guidance will be glad and rejoice.

Leader As we offer our worship God will fill our hearts with joy.

All Let us worship the Living God!

❖ **Hymn #477** *Ye Servants of God, Your Master Proclaim*

❖ **Prayer of Confession**

Lord, today is the starting point of looking deep within ourselves. It is time for us to peel away the layers of deception, to face the truth your Holy Spirit reveals about ourselves. We acknowledge our sin and transgressions in full view of your compassionate nature. Enable us to see through the shadows of the past, sift through the self-doubts and worries that weigh us down. Take away our excuses for not paying attention to those around us and the tendency to blame others rather than confess our own faults. Stay with us in the wilderness of our temptations. Feed us with your Word and bring us to a clear sense of our call. Take our eyes off of ourselves, turning them to the One who has been tested in every respect as we are. It is to Jesus we now turn in silent confession...

❖ **Assurance of Pardon**

Leader "Since then we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession.

People For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses,

Leader But we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin.

People Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need."
(Hebrews 4:14-16)

❖ **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*

Act of Friendship

Offering of Gifts and Tithes

Prayer of St. Benedict

Robert Benson

Please complete Prayer Request Card

9❖ **Hymn #184** *How Blest Are Those*

Hearing God's Word

Scripture *Psalms 32* (OT pg. 506)

Matthew 4:1-11 (NT pg. 3)

Sermon *Surrounded by Love*

Pastor Chuck Carlson

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, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and buried. He descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits on the right hand of God the Father Almighty, from thence he shall 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.

Responding to God's Word

The Sacrament of Holy Communion

The Invitation to the Table

The Thanksgiving

Leader The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Leader Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them up to the Lord.

Leader Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Prayers for Ourselves and Others

The Words of Institution

Distribution of the Elements

Communion Richard Rossi

The Lord's Prayer (hymnal pg. 16, Traditional)

❖ **Hymn #81** *Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days*

❖ **Extinguishing the First Lenten Candle**

❖ **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** Amen

John Worst

❖ **Postlude** 8 *Lead Me Lord; The Lord Bless You and Keep You*

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9 Richard Rossi

❖ Please stand if able

This Week

Sunday, March 5

- 8:00 AM Contemplative Worship/Sanctuary
- 9:00 AM Worship/Sanctuary
- 9:00 AM Contemporary Worship/Centennial Hall
- 9:00 AM Sunday School (K-8th)/Chapel
- 9:00 AM 3rd Grade Bible Class/Youth Library
- 10:00 AM Youth Choir/Chapel
- 10:30 AM God's Abundant Table Study/Centennial Hall
- 10:30 AM Genesis Study (French/Lingala)/Parlor
- 12:00 PM Pastor Nominating Committee/Chapel
- 9:30 PM Men's Emergency Shelter/Centennial Hall

Monday, March 6

- 9:00 AM ESL Classes/Room 204
- 11:00 AM GROW/Chapel
- 5:00 PM HR/Library
- 5:30 PM 150 Celebration Committee/Westminster Hall
- 5:30 PM AA/Centennial Hall
- 9:30 PM Men's Emergency Shelter/Centennial Hall

Tuesday, March 6

- 7:00 AM Men's Breakfast Bible Study/Centennial Hall
- 9:00 AM ESL Classes/Room 204
- 10:30 AM Staff Meeting/Parlor
- 12:00 PM Classic Book Study/2nd Floor Atkins Bldg.
- 1:30 PM SAFE House Class/Westminster Hall
- 5:30 PM Fear of the Other Study/Library
- 9:30 PM Men's Emergency Shelter/Centennial Hall

Wednesday, March 7

- 8:00 AM SEA Group/Parlor
- 9:00 AM ESL Classes/Room 204
- 9:30 AM Women's Bible Study/Library at Windsor Court
- 10:00 AM Path to Peace/Parlor
- 12:00 PM Computer Class/Centennial Hall
- 5:00 PM SEA Group/Parlor
- 5:30 PM Spiritual Formation Study/Library
- 6:00 PM Bell Choir/Bell Room
- 7:00 PM Contemporary Rehearsal/Centennial Hall
- 7:00 PM Sanctuary Choir/Choir Room
- 9:30 PM Men's Emergency Shelter/Centennial Hall

Thursday, March 8

- 7:00 AM Men's Breakfast/Hardees on South Neil
- 7:30 AM Equippers/Parlor
- 9:00 AM ESL Classes/Room 204
- 9:00 AM Women's Bible Study/Parlor
- 10:30 PM Membership Meeting/Parlor
- 4:30 PM Finance/Library
- 9:30 PM Men's Emergency Shelter/Centennial Hall

Friday, March 9

- 8:30 AM Men's Prayer/Chapel
- 12:00 PM Conversations with Scripture/Parlor

Saturday, March 10

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

Worship

- Liturgist this morning is **Sandy Carr** at the 8 AM service and **Pat Phillips** at the 9 AM service.
- Jazz Sunday...**Make sure to join us for an upbeat service of praise on **Sunday, March 12**, at both the 8 and 9 AM services when members of the New Orleans Jazz Machine will lead us in worship. This is an outstanding group of local players lead by **Carl Johnson**. They were with us last year when we reinstated the tradition of a Jazz Sunday full of high-energy worship. Be sure to attend and bring your friends!

Connect

- In this season of Lent, we invite you to visit the **Spirituality Center** located in the State Street entryway to the sanctuary. The center consists of five self-guided stations for contemplation, reflection, and prayer. You will find a prayer wall, a fountain, a crown of thorns, artwork, and a cross. Each station invites you to interact in a tangible way. For example, you may tie a fabric strip to the prayer wall to represent your prayer. Visit as often as you like.
- We extend an invitation to you to join one of our **adult education classes** as we learn and grow in Christ together. Sign up this morning in Westminster Hall.
- Lenten Study: God's Abundant Table** by Cynthia Campbell 10:30 AM Centennial Hall Sundays March 5- April 9 led by **Pastor Chuck Carlson** and **Judi Geistlinger**.
- Fear of the Other** by William H. Willimon 5:30 PM Parlor Tuesdays March 7- 28 led by **Judi Geistlinger**.
- Cuba Café: Salsa Dance Lessons and Dessert** Sunday, March 12 at 2 PM. Tickets are available in Westminster Hall or from any Cuba Partner. Proceeds will support the programs of our sister church in Cuba. Donations welcome from those unable to attend.

Serve

- We are hosting an **Emergency Men's Shelter**, Sundays through Thursdays, between 9:30 PM and 6:30 AM through March 30. The shelter is staffed by paid, experienced employees through Faith United Methodist Church. For more info visit <http://www.uwayhelps.org/news/emergency-winter-shelter-men-open-champaign-county> or read the January Newsletter.
- We are looking for a **part-time CYF Assistant Director**. A complete job description can be found on our website.
- We would like to **serve coffee at Easter** services this year but need two people for making coffee and two for clean-up. Please let the Spirit move you and contact **Nancy Brombaugh** (356-2817) or **Leland Andrews** (352-1023) soon! This year Easter services will be held at 8 and 9:30 AM.