

Song for Centering & Call to Prayer #469 *Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying*
Lord, listen to your children praying. Lord, send your Spirit in this place.
Lord, listen to your children praying. Send us love; send us power, send us grace.

Prayers of Thanksgiving & Concern
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.

We Go Out In God's Name

*Having gathered together in God's name and been fed by God's Holy Word,
we go out in God's name bearing the peace of Christ to the world.*

- ❖Hymn for Commitment #175 *Seek Ye First*
- ❖Charge and Benediction
- ❖Congregational Sung Benediction #688 *Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart* (vs. 1)
Spirit of God, descend upon my heart; wean it from earth; through all its pulses move;
stoop to my weakness, mighty as thou art, and make me love thee as I ought to love.
- ❖Postlude

❖Please stand if able. Remain seated if need be.

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FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF CHAMPAIGN

October 16, 2022 19th Sunday after Pentecost
Consecration Sunday



Welcome to First Presbyterian Church
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삼페인 제일 장로교회에 오신것을 환영합니다.

Si vous souhaitez que le service soit traduit en français,
procurez-vous un récepteur et des écouteurs à l'arrière du sanctuaire.

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Welcome to worship!

When you enter the sanctuary, please be mindful of the silent prayers of those around you.

We invite you to share your contact info in the Friendship Pad when passed,
then to stop by our Welcome Center downstairs in Westminster Hall after the service for coffee and fellowship.
Mingle with other friends and guests and learn more about this congregation's ministry. **Welcome home!**

We Gather Together In God's Holy Name

God calls us together as "children." Wonderful it is to be so loved! Our natural response is worship.

Prelude

Chiming on the Hour of Tower Bell

Act of Friendship & Sharing of Prayer Concerns

Please pass the Friendship Pad and list prayer concerns on the prayer request cards in the pew.

Greeting & Announcements

❖Call to Worship (from Psalm 121)

From where does our help come?

Our help comes from the Lord, who made heaven and earth.

Who keeps us in our going out and our coming in?

The Lord is our keeper.

Who is with us always?

The Lord Jesus Christ is with us and for us in all things.

❖Hymn #723 Lord Speak To Me That I May Speak

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, in Jesus, our risen Lord, we have seen your glory. Yet our sinfulness often blocks out the light of Christ. We are quick to accuse and slow to confess. We find faults easily in others, while ignoring our own shortcomings. We have squandered your gifts. We have turned from your ways. We have ignored your Word. Have mercy on us, compassionate God. Pour out your Holy Spirit on our sinful lives. Wash us with your love and cleanse us with your grace so that day by day we might move closer to the people you would have us be. Amen.

Declaration of Forgiveness

Passing of the Peace

God calls us to love one another as God loves us. In this we know the truth of Christ's peace. Share signs of Christ's peace with one another.
(Please greet one another in the peace of Christ.)

Invitation to the Offering *We are invited to return God's tithes and give our offering.*

Raise a Hallelujah

The Gathering Band; Kelsey Stremplewski, director

Response of Gratitude #694 Great God of Every Blessing (vs. 1)

Great God of every blessing, of faithful, loving care,

You are the fount of goodness, the daily bread we share.

How can we hope to thank you? Our praise is but a start;

Sincerely and completely I offer you my heart.

Prayer of Dedication & Thanksgiving

We Gather Around God's Holy Word

At the center of Christian life and worship is God's Word incarnate in Christ and God's Word as recorded in scripture. We hear the story of God's love in scripture and sacrament and we say, "Thanks be to God!"

Word with Children

Consecration of Pledges for 2023

You are invited to bring your pledge card and put it in the basket on the communion table. If you have already mailed your card in, thank you! Come forward anyway as a sign of our journey together in the faith.

Prayer for Illumination #466 Come and Fill Our Hearts (from Psalm 106:1 & 118:1a, 29a)

Come and fill our hearts with Your peace, You alone, O Lord are holy.

Come and fill out hearts with Your peace, Alleluia!

Scripture *Luke 18:1-8* (NT pg. 81)

This is the Word of the Lord./**Thanks be to God!**

Ceci est la Parole du Seigneur./**Gloire à Dieu** (pronounced "glow-ah ah dew")

Sermon *Stewardship With Heart and Voice*

Rachel Matthews

We Respond to God's Word

As God invites us to be disciples of his Son, we prayerfully respond to God with affirmations of faith and acts of self-giving, commitment, and thanksgiving.

Anthem *Cantante Domino* (Text: Psalm 96:1-4)

Hans Leo Hassler (1564-1612)

This Week

Sunday, October 16

9:00	AM	Worship/Sanctuary
10:00	AM	Sunday School/Education Building
10:00	AM	Easy English Fellowship/Room 204
10:15	AM	Faith in the Real World/Parlor
10:15	AM	Worship/Windsor of Savoy
1:00	PM	APNC/Parlor & Zoom

Monday, October 17

8:00	AM	DREAAM/Rooms 105,109, 212
9:00	AM	ELL (English Language Learners)/Zoom
1:00	PM	GROW/Family Library
1:00	PM	Bible Study/Parlor
2:00	PM	DREAAM After School Program/Cafe, Rooms 201, 204, 205, 206, 207
3:30	PM	Environmental/Parlor & Zoom
5:30	PM	AA/Centennial Hall
7:00	PM	ELL/Zoom

Tuesday, October 18

8:00	AM	Men’s Breakfast Study/Zoom
8:00	AM	DREAAM/Rooms 105,109, 212
9:30	AM	ELL In-Person/Rooms 102, 103, 104, 201, 204, 205, 206, 207, Café
10:30	AM	Church Staff/Parlor & Zoom
12:00	PM	Classic Book Study/Parlor & Zoom
1:30	PM	APNC/Parlor & Zoom
2:00	PM	DREAAM After School Program/Cafe, Rooms 201, 204, 205, 206, 207
4:30	PM	World Mission Team/Parlor & Zoom

Wednesday, October 19

8:00	AM	DREAAM/Rooms 105,109, 212
9:30	AM	ELL In-Person/Rooms 102, 103, 104, 201, 204, 205, 206, 207, Café
10:00	AM	ELL/Zoom
1:30	PM	Pakistan Study/Parlor & Zoom
2:00	PM	DREAAM After School Program/Cafe, Rooms 201, 204, 205, 206, 207
5:30	PM	Dinners for One/Baxter’s Grille
7:00	PM	ELL/Zoom

Thursday, October 20

8:00	AM	DREAAM/Rooms 105,109, 212
8:30	AM	DREAAM Mental Health First Aid/Centennial Hall
9:00	AM	ELL/Zoom
9:00	AM	Women’s Bible Study/Parlor & Zoom
12:30	PM	Bible Study/Windsor of Savoy
1:00	PM	PEO Group (Sallie Hutton)/Parlor & Zoom
2:00	PM	DREAAM After School Program/Cafe, Rooms 201, 204, 205, 206, 207
3:00	PM	DREAAM Self Care/Centennial Hall
6:30	PM	Bell Choir Rehearsal/Bell Room
7:00	PM	Session/Parlor & Zoom
7:30	PM	Choir Rehearsal/Choir Room

Friday, October 21 Church Office closes at noon

8:00	AM	DREAAM/Rooms 105,109, 212
8:30	AM	Men’s Prayer/Zoom
2:00	PM	DREAAM After School Program/Cafe, Rooms 201, 204, 205, 206, 207
7:30	PM	Friday Night Lights/Zoom

Saturday, October 22

6:00	PM	French Worship Service/Centennial Hall
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Announcements

●**We are glad you’re here!** Questions about First Pres, contact **Pastor Matt** or call the church office.

●**Sandy Carr** is our liturgist this morning. We would love to have you serve as a liturgist! If interested, please contact **Carol Miles**.

●**Coffee on Sunday mornings!** Please consider signing up for coffee cleanup. A sign-up sheet is at the Welcome Center.

●**Sunday School** for children this morning at 10 AM. Sign in your children at the Welcome Center 8:45-9 before worship. After worship, they will be escorted to their class. Meet your child or children in the library in the Education Building at 11. Transportation is not being provided at this time.

●**Help us keep the sanctuary bright and cheerful.** The flower committee has a chart in Westminster Hall to sign up to donate live fresh floral arrangements or plants. **No lilies.** These may honor a special person or event in your life. Monetary donations for the flower fund are welcomed. Checks can be made out to First Presbyterian Church marked as “flower fund”.

●**Judi Geistlinger** will preach today’s 10:15 AM service at the Windsor of Savoy.

●**If unable to attend church**, catch our 9 AM service live each Sunday morning at firstpres.live. The Sunday **sermon** is available on-line anytime or on WDWS 1400AM the next Sunday at 10:30 AM.

●**Faith in the Real World** today at 10:15 in the Parlor. We will hear from **Dave Leake** from Champaign-Urbana Astronomical Society.

●**Quilts** made by our artistic, talented ladies, **Becky Grant** and **Claudia Kirby**, will be on display Sunday, October 23, in Westminster Hall. These quilts are highly elaborate and decorative accomplished with the use of three-dimensional treatments and various fabrics such as wools and cottons, some from Africa and Japan. The quilts are beautiful pieces of art and are not just ordinary quilts.

●**Trunk or Treat** Sunday, October 30, from 5 to 6 PM in the church parking lot. We are looking for volunteers to provide decorated trunks, help with games for small children and to provide bags of individually wrapped candy. Please contact **Nicole Miller** at reservationfor5@gmail.com.

●If you or a loved one is **in the hospital or in need of a pastoral visit**, contact the church office.

●The **October newsletter** is available in the kiosks or at firstpres.church/newsletter.

●**Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA)** urges your support this hurricane season. Financial support for relief efforts through First Presbyterian Church can be designated to PDA HURRICANES or DR000194 in your check memo line.

●We will be sending **four delegates to Cuba** to celebrate Iglesia Luyano’s 100th anniversary in November. We are collecting items to take with us to further their ministry. These are the items we are asked to bring: candles (liturgical purposes); materials for knitting group (yarn, fabric, etc.); baby clothes and baby items (can be used); rechargeable lamps, over the counter medicines (aspirin, acetaminophen, anti-diarrhea and antacid and also vitamins), toothpaste and brushes, deodorant, soap, shampoo and feminine hygiene products. Bring items to the church office or leave on the mission table in Westminster Hall on Sunday labeled “FOR CUBA.”

●Enduring the holidays can be tough if you have recently lost a family member. **Surviving the Holidays** will meet Wednesdays, November 16, December 21 and January 4 at 5 PM in the Parlor. Contact **Rachel Matthews** at the church office, **Sherry Marble** (chilover3@comcast.net) or **Sallie Hutton** (sallie.hutton@gmail.com) with questions.