

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.*

Connecting with our Community

✠Hymn for Commitment #630 *Fairest Lord Jesus*

✠Charge and Benediction

✠Congregational Sung Benediction #549 *May the Love of the Lord*

✠Postlude

✠Please stand as you are able in body or spirit.

●**Large print bulletins** available for use on Sunday mornings. Ask an usher if you cannot find one.

●With our return to the sanctuary, we have access to our hearing assistant loop. This technology allows people with hearing aids equipped with **T-Coil technology** to hear the service through their hearing aids. If you know you have T-coil technology, plan to turn on the T-coil via your phone each Sunday morning.

●**Laura Johnston** is our liturgist this morning. If you would like to serve as liturgist, contact **Carol Miles**.

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FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF CHAMPAIGN

October 26, 2025 20th Sunday after Pentecost



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

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.

Welcome to worship!

When you enter the worship space, 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 stay 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.” How wonderful it is to be so loved! Our natural response is worship.

Prelude *Allegro* Johann

Chiming of the Hour on Tower Bell

Greetings & Welcome/Act of Friendship & Prayer Concerns

Please pass the Friendship Pad, noting with whom you are sitting, and list prayer concerns on the prayer request cards in the pads.

✠**Call to Worship** (from *Psalms* 84) (✠Please stand as you are able in body or spirit.)

How lovely are Your dwelling places oh God!

Our soul longs for and desires your courts;

My heart and flesh sing for joy to the living God.

Blessed and favored are those who dwell in your house and presence.

✠Opening Prayer

✠**Hymn of Praise #157** *I Danced in the Morning*

Call to Confession (*Congregation may be seated.*)

Prayer of Confession

God of all creation. Our world has taught us to value material things, and so often we fall for the lie that the material world is all that truly matters. That our physical spaces are just as important as the work that is done in them, and the people that inhabit them. Remind us that to you it is the people that matter. The material world exists to sustain all your children. Forgive us when we prioritize physical things over your people.

Silence is kept.

Confession Response **#555** *O Lamb of God*

Assurance of Pardon

Passing of the Peace

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

Prayer for Illumination **#709** *God, We Honor You*

Scripture in French *John 2:19-21*

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

Anthem *Pilgrim’s Hymn*

Stephen Paulus

Scripture in English *1 Kings 5:1-5; 8:1-13*

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

Message *Temples*

Rev. Joe Lundy

✠**Hymn for Reflection #37** *Let All Things Now Living*

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.

✠ **An Affirmation of Faith** (*The Apostle’s Creed*)

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God’s only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will 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.

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

Offertory *Gymnopedie No. 1*

Erik Satie

Response of Gratitude **#609** *Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow*

Prayer of Dedication & Thanksgiving

Prayers of the People

The Lord’s Prayer (pg. 35; *in the language and wording most familiar to you.*)

This Week

Sunday, October 26

- 9:00 AM Worship/Sanctuary
- 10:10 AM Sunday School/CE Building Classrooms
- 10:10 AM Easy English Fellowship/Rooms 204 & 207
- 10:10 AM Small Group Mission Study/Parlor, Westminster Hall, Centennial Hall
- 3:30 PM Trunk & Treat & Soup Supper/Parking Lot & Centennial Hall

Monday, October 27

- 9:15 AM ELL Classes/CE Building & Café
- 12:00 PM Small Group Mission Study/Westminster Hall, Centennial Hall
- 1:00 PM GROW/Chapel
- 1:00 PM Knifty Knitters/Parlor & Zoom
- 1:00 PM DREAAM After School Academy/CE Building
- 3:30 PM Environmental Team/Parlor & Zoom
- 5:30 PM AA/Centennial Hall

Tuesday, October 28

- 8:00 AM Men’s Bible Study/Parlor & Zoom
- 9:15 AM ELL Classes/CE Building & Café
- 10:30 AM Church Staff/Parlor & Zoom
- 12:00 PM Classic Book Study/Parlor & Zoom
- 1:00 PM DREAAM After School Academy/CE Building
- 2:30 PM Small Group Mission Study/Westminster Hall
- 4:30 PM World Mission/Parlor & Zoom
- 6:00 PM Small Group Mission Study/Centennial Hall

Wednesday, October 29

- 9:15 AM ELL Classes/CE Building & Café
- 1:00 PM DREAAM After School Academy/CE Building
- 4:30 PM DREAAM Parent School/Centennial Hall
- 7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal/Choir Room
- 7:30 PM Wednesdays We Gather/Zoom

Thursday, October 30

- 9:00 AM Women’s Bible Study/Parlor & Zoom
- 9:15 AM ELL Classes/CE Building & Café
- 10:30 AM Coffee with Beth/Good Judy’s Bagels
- 12:00 PM Transition Team/Good Judy’s Bagels
- 12:30 PM Windsor of Savoy Bible Study/Windsor of Savoy
- 1:00 PM DREAAM After School Academy/CE Building

Friday, October 31

- Church Office closes at 12 noon
- 8:15 AM Men’s Prayer/Zoom
- 10:00 AM Korean Choir Rehearsal/Chapel
- 12:00 PM New American’s Ministry/Chapel
- 1:00 PM DREAAM After School Academy/CE Building
- 7:00 PM French Prayer/Zoom

Saturday, November 1

- 8:00 AM DREAAM Imagine STEM Saturday/CE Building
- 9:30 AM DREAAM Mentoring/Centennial Hall
- 6:00 PM Francophone Bethesda Fellowship/Chapel

Announcements

●**We are glad you’re here!** Questions about First Pres, see **either pastor** after the service or contact the church office (info@firstpres.church).

●Please wear your **nametag** to help our **staff** get acquainted.

●Anyone interested in **donating flowers for use on Sunday mornings during worship**, please contact **Nancy Dankle @** 217-778-4088 or nkdankle@icloud.com.

●**Small Group Discussions** as part of our Mission Study for transitioning to a new pastor continue this week with three groups meeting this morning immediately following worship.

●We are collecting royalties each time we hear a **Spiritual** in our service. Royalties were never paid for this music. Money we collect will go to the DREAAM Choir. A donation box is on the Welcome Center.

●Pick up a **Fall/Winter Small Group Opportunity** flyer from the kiosk this morning. Join a small group this Fall.

●Join **Pastor Beth** for **Coffee and Conversation** at 10 AM Thursdays in October at Good Judy’s Bagels (2740 S Philo Road, Suite D, Urbana, IL).

●**It’s Fall!** The annual **Trunk & Treat** will be held TODAY from 3:30-5 PM in the church parking lot with a soup supper in Centennial Hall. We invite you to join us.

●Reminder: Daylight Savings Time ends...**Fall back an hour Sunday, November 2.**

●Set aside **Sunday, November 9, at 3 PM. Gary Winder and clarinet students** from the U of I will present a clarinet recital in the Sanctuary. All are welcome! Plan to join us for an afternoon of music!

●Your **Nominating Committee** has begun their work to find church officers for those whose terms expire. Pick up a Nomination Form at the Welcome Center to submit your suggestion(s) for Elders and/or Deacons for the coming year. (You may also nominate yourself!)

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

●Check out the **book cart** in Westminster Hall. Donate a book for others to enjoy and take some.

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

●Please **do not park** in the spaces marked Reserved 24/7 behind Meyer/Capel Law office on Sundays.

●**If unable to attend church**, watch our 9 AM service live each Sunday at firstpres.church/live. The Sunday **service video** is available on-line this week; audio sermon available the following Sunday at 10:30 AM on WDWS 1400AM.