

◆Communion Hymn #508 *Come to the Table* (Korea)

Communion Liturgy

On this World Communion Sunday ...

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

There is nothing more ...

singing forever to the glory of your name:

Sanctus for Communion #595 *Holy, Holy, Holy* (Argentina)

Holy, holy, holy. My heart, my heart adores you!

My heart knows how to say to you, you are holy, Lord! (Sing 2x)

We thank you for your son Jesus, ...

Great is the mystery of faith:

Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

Gracious God ... We continue our prayer as Jesus taught us, saying,

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.

Prayer after Communion

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 #747 *The Lord Now Sends Us Forth* (Cuba)

◆Charge and Benediction

◆Congregational Sung Benediction #538 *Hallelujah! We Sing Your Praises* (Cuba)

Hallelujah! We sing your praises; all our hearts are filled with gladness.

Hallelujah! We sing your praises; all our hearts are filled with gladness. (Sing 2x)

◆Postlude

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

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FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF CHAMPAIGN

October 6, 2024

World Communion 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.

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 are presently worshipping in Westminster Hall while our elevator is being replaced.

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/Chiming of the Hour on Tower Bell

Act of Friendship/Sharing of 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.

Greetings/Welcome/Announcements

Threshold Moment

Call to Worship

O Lord, our God, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

We proclaim your name to the whole human family.

We praise you in the midst of this congregation:

O Lord, our God, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

Let us continue to praise our majestic Creator.

◆**Hymn of Praise #526** *Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ* (Jamaica)

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Sovereign God, who are we humans, that you pay any attention to us? And yet, you have entrusted us to care for all of creation. We confess the times we have thought too highly of ourselves, and the ways we have twisted our charge to care for creation into permission to dominate and subdue it. We confess the same human tendencies to dominate and subdue other people. It is easy for us to ignore or take for granted our own privilege, rather than seeking to dismantle unjust systems of supremacy. Your desire is for peace, but so often we choose comfort and call it peace. Remind us of who we are, and whose we are. Remind us of our interdependence with creation, and our dependence on you, our Creator. Set our hearts and minds on your will, made known to us in Jesus Christ. *Silence is kept.*

Assurance of Pardon

Hear the good news: the one who sanctifies and those who are sanctified are all children of the one God. Jesus is not ashamed to call us his beloved siblings and family. Our sin is forgiven, we are made one with Christ and with each other.

Thanks be to God!

Passing of the Peace

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

Offertory *Thou Shalt Give Unto the Lord*

John Ness Beck

◆**Response of Gratitude #591** *Halle, Halle, Hallelujah!* (Caribbean, Refrain)

Halle, halle, halle-lujah! Halle, halle, halle-lujah!

Halle, halle, halle-lujah! Halleluja! Halleluja! (Sing 2x)

◆**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!"

Pastoral Prayer of Illumination

Word with Children

Prayer for Illumination #456 *Listen, God Is Calling* (Kenya)

Listen, God is calling, through the Word inviting,

offering forgiveness, comfort and joy. (Sing 3x)

Scripture *Hebrews 1:1-4, 2:5-12*

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

Message *Jesus Is Not Ashamed*

The Rev. José Manuel Capella-Pratts

Anthem *I Praise You, O God* (written in honor of Joe Grant's ministry)

David Sims

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.

This Week

Sunday, October 6

- 9:00 AM Worship/Westminster Hall
- 10:10 AM Easy English Fellowship/Rooms 104 & 105
- 10:10 AM Children's Sunday School/CE Building
- 10:10 AM Adult Education/Parlor

Monday, October 7

- 9:15 AM ELL Classes In-Person/CE Building & Café
- 1:00 PM Grow/Family Library
- 1:30 PM Bible Study/Library
- 4:00 PM HR Team/Parlor & Zoom
- 5:30 PM AA/Centennial Hall
- 6:00 PM DREAAM Cheer/Gym

Tuesday, October 8

- 8:00 AM Men's Breakfast Bible Study/Parlor & Zoom
- 9:15 AM ELL Classes In-Person/CE Building & Café
- 10:30 AM Staff/Parlor & Zoom
- 12:00 PM Classic Book Study/Parlor & Zoom
- 1:30 PM Coffee Shop Hours with Pastor Beth/Mad Goat
- 4:30 PM Mission Team/Parlor & Zoom
- 5:00 PM DREAAM Chaser Orientation/Centennial Hall
- 6:00 PM DREAAM Dance/Gym
- 7:00 PM Worship Team/Parlor & Zoom

Wednesday, October 9

- 9:15 AM ELL Classes In-Person/CE Building & Café
- 9:30 AM Nurture/Parlor & Zoom
- 5:30 PM DREAAM Family Night/Centennial Hall
- 7:30 PM Together on Tuesdays/Zoom

Thursday, October 10

- 9:00 AM Women's Bible Study/Parlor & Zoom
- 9:00 AM Compassion, Peace, Justice/Zoom
- 12:30 PM Windsor of Savoy Bible Study/Windsor of Savoy
- 2:30 PM Congregational Care Deacons/Parlor & Zoom
- 4:30 PM Finance Team/Parlor & Zoom
- 5:00 PM DREAAM Elite Study Hall & Dinner/Centennial Hall
- 6:00 PM DREAAM Cheer/Gym
- 7:15 PM Choir Rehearsal/Choir Room

Friday, October 4 Church Office closes at noon

- 8:15 AM Men's Prayer/Zoom
- 10:00 AM Christ Community Church Choir Rehearsal/Chapel

Saturday, October 5

- 8:00 AM DREAAM Imagine/CE Building
- 6:00 PM French Worship Service/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). We are presently worshipping in Westminster Hall while our elevator to our historic Sanctuary is being replaced.

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

●**Bob Kirby** is our liturgist this morning. If you would like to serve, contact **Carol Miles**.

●**Sunday School for elementary age children from 10:10-11 AM.** Meet in the classroom on the second floor of the Christian Ed Building.

●**Adult Discussion** this morning in Mae Chapin Parlor from 10:15 - 11 AM today we hear from **Vilmarie Cintrón Olivieri**. On October 20, we start a series of discussions about the Minor Prophets, led by **Rev. Joseph Lundy** and the Adult Spiritual Formation Committee.

●**Coffeeshop Office Hours during October...**Join **Paster Beth** at **Mad Goat Coffee** (57 East Main, Champaign) Tuesday afternoons from 1:30-3:30 PM.

●**Together on Tuesdays Zoom Study at 7:30 PM is moving to Wednesday** for the next several weeks. Although still called *Together on Tuesdays* it will be on Wednesdays for a few weeks.

●Our annual **Trunk or Treat** is Sunday, October 27 from 4-5:30 PM. You can help us sustain this tradition. Bring bags of candy or other treats to the church office. Decorate a trunk. Help us prepare and then stay to greet guests at our delicious soup supper in Centennial Hall. Invite family and friend to participate and join the fun. This program is for children ages 0-12 accompanied by an adult. Each child will receive a free book. Contact **Nicole Miller** at reservationfor5@gmail.com to tell her you will offer a decorated trunk. This activity is a joint effort of your Nurture and Outreach Committees. We will collaborate again with our neighbors at First United Methodist Church.

●Help us stock our **Free Little Pantry**. Donations are much appreciated. Drop off any contributions in the church office or in Westminster Hall on Sundays.

●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 **sermon** is available on-line anytime or on WDWS 1400AM the next Sunday at 10:30 AM.