

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 *Come Sunday*
The Gathering Band

Duke Ellington

An Affirmation of Faith (from *A Brief Statement of Faith*)

We trust in God the Holy Spirit who inspired the prophets and apostles, rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture, engages us through the Word proclaimed, claims us in the waters of baptism, feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation, and calls women and men to all ministries of the Church.

In a broken and fearful world the Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing, to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior, to unmask idolatries in Church and culture, to hear the voices of peoples long silenced, and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace.

In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives, even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth, praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!"

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 #694** *Great God of Every Blessing*

❖ **Charge and Benediction**

❖ **Congregational Sung Benediction #748** *Go With Us, Lord*

Go with us, Lord, and guide the way through this and every coming day,
that in your Spirit strong and true our lives may be our gift to you.

❖ **Postlude**

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

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FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF CHAMPAIGN

October 9, 2022 18th 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 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 pen.

Greeting & Announcements

Minute for Ministry – Nicole Miller, Trunk or Treat

A Stewardship Reflection – Betty Hollister

❖Call to Worship (adapted from *Psalms 66*)

Come and celebrate!

Shout joyfully to the Lord, your God!

Glorify him with your praise!

**Everything on earth will worship you;
they will sing your praises,
shouting your name in joyful songs.**

Come and see what our God has done,
what awesome things he has done for us!

Let the whole world bless our God and sing his praise.

For our lives are in his hands, and he keeps our feet from stumbling.

❖Hymn #832 *Here On Jesus Christ I Will Stand*

Call to Confession (*1 John 1:8-9*)

If we say we have no sin,

we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

**If we confess our sins, he who is faithful and just will forgive us our sins and
cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

In confidence of God's enduring love and forgiveness

let us confess our sins to God.

Prayer of Confession

God of mercy and grace, we are meant to praise you and give thanks to you always.

We confess that we do not live out of constant gratitude. We harbor resentment for what we lack. We blame you; we blame others. We doubt your compassion, even your power. We find it hard to give ourselves away to you or to others, in generous expressions of gratitude and praise. Forgive us, we pray. Heal and

restore us so that we may return to you with a right spirit. Help us to live holy and joyful lives. We pray in Christ's name. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

In the waters of baptism, we have died with Christ, and we have been raised with him to new life. Nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

In Christ we are forgiven and set free to live in praise and thanksgiving.

Thanks be to God!

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.*

Nocturne

Lili Boulanger

Madison Booth, flute; Sora Shepard, piano

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

Prayer for Illumination #466 *Come and Fill Our Hearts* (from *Psalms 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 17:11-19* (NT pg. 80)

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 *Gratitude Is the Attitude*

Matt Matthews

This Week

Sunday, October 9

- 9:00 AM Worship/Sanctuary
- 10:00 AM Sunday School/Education Building
- 10:00 AM Easy English Fellowship/Room 204
- 10:15 AM 2nd Sunday Brunch/Centennial Hall
- 10:15 AM Worship/Windsor of Savoy
- 1:00 PM APNC/Parlor & Zoom

Monday, October 10

- 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 Prayer Ministry/Library
- 2:00 PM DREAAM After School Program/Cafe, Rooms 201, 204, 205, 206, 207
- 5:30 PM AA/Centennial Hall
- 7:00 PM ELL/Zoom

Tuesday, October 11

- 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
- 2:00 PM DREAAM After School Program/Cafe, Rooms 201, 204, 205, 206, 207
- 4:30 PM Mission Team/Parlor & Zoom
- 5:30 PM Contemporary Worship Team/Zoom
- 7:00 PM Worship Team/Parlor & Zoom

Wednesday, October 12

- 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 CYF Meeting/Parlor & Zoom
- 2:00 PM DREAAM After School Program/Cafe, Rooms 201, 204, 205, 206, 207
- 6:30 PM Compassion, Peace & Justice/Parlor & Zoom
- 7:00 PM ELL/Zoom

Thursday, October 13

- 8:00 AM DREAAM/Rooms 105,109, 212
- 9:00 AM ELL/Zoom
- 9:00 AM Women's Bible Study/Parlor & Zoom
- 12:30 PM Bible Study/Windsor of Savoy
- 2:00 PM DREAAM After School Program/Cafe, Rooms 201, 204, 205, 206, 207
- 4:30 PM Finance Team/Parlor & Zoom
- 6:30 PM Nurture/Parlor & Zoom
- 6:30 PM Bell Choir Rehearsal/Bell Room
- 7:30 PM Choir Rehearsal/Choir Room

Friday, October 14 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 15

- 8:00 AM DREAAM Robotics Bootcamp/Cafe, Rooms 201, 204, 205, 206, 207
- 6:00 PM French Worship Service/Centennial Hall

Announcements

- We are glad you're here!** Questions about First Pres, contact **Pastor Matt** or call the church office.
- Pat Phillips** is our liturgist this morning. We would love to have you serve as a liturgist! If interested, please contact **Carol Miles**.
- Coffee is back on Sunday mornings!** Please consider signing up for coffee cleanup. A sign-up sheet is at the Welcome Center each Sunday morning.
- 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 in the Education Building. 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 for any of you to sign up to donate live fresh floral arrangements or plants. Only one arrangement is needed for the sanctuary. **No lilies.** These may honor a special person or event in your life. Also, we are asking for monetary donations for the flower fund. Donations of any amount are welcomed. Checks can be made out to First Presbyterian Church marked as "flower fund" and sent to the church.
- The Rev. Dr. Rachel Matthews** 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](https://www.firstpres.live). The Sunday **sermon** is available on-line anytime or on WDWS 1400AM the next Sunday at 10:30 AM.
- The Session's Covid Response Team **recommends that we wear masks indoors.**
- Join a small group this Fall!** Pick up a copy of the *Fall/Winter Small Groups* brochure from one of the kiosks or at the Welcome Center. Find a group that interests you!
- Join us for brunch this morning at 10:10 AM in Centennial Hall.** Donations appreciated to help cover costs. Volunteers are needed to help with our brunches. If interested, please contact **Jan Wittler, Gary Peterson** or the church office.
- Faith in the Real World** resumes next week when we will hear from **Dave Leake** from Champaign-Urbana Astronomical Society.
- First Pres will host its annual **Trunk or Treat** event on Sunday October 30 from 5 to 6 PM in the church parking lot. We are looking for volunteers to provide decorated trunks; we can help with decorating. We also need volunteers to 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](https://www.firstpres.church/newsletter).
- Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA)** urges your support this hurricane season. In the wake of catastrophic impacts from Hurricane Ian, recovery is ongoing in places hit by Hurricane Fiona, including Puerto Rico, the Dominican Republic and Cuba. Give today to enable our response, from emergency needs through the long-term recovery phase. Financial support for relief efforts through First Presbyterian Church can be designated to PDA HURRICANES or DR000194 in your check memo line..