

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

Call to Prayer

Prayers of Thanksgiving and 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 #546 *Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing*

Congregational Meeting

◆Charge and Benediction

Do you know what time it is?

Yes, it is time to go and to be God's people in the world.

As you go, do you have everything?

We carry with us the privilege of a shared ministry.

Do you know where you are going?

We are going home to be among sisters and brothers hungry for God's love.

Do you know the first step?

We rejoice in first giving ourselves to God.

May God's Holy Spirit be upon you. Go in peace.

◆Congregational Sung Benediction #591 *Halle, Halle, Hallelujah!*

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

Halle, halle, halle-lujah! Hallelujah, hallelujah!

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

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**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH** OF CHAMPAIGN

November 10, 2024

25th 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 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

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

Minute for Mission – Angel Tree

Jane Alsberg

Threshold Moment

Call to Worship

Come and let us be church together.

In sorrow and joy, in poverty and abundance, we come.

Come and let us be church together.

In caution and eagerness, in silence and proclamation, we come.

Together, in Christ, we become a church bearing God's great love into the world.

In Christ, we come and worship.

◆Hymn of Praise #620 *Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven*

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

The times when we have used knowledge in ways
which put people down rather than build them up.

God, source of all knowledge, forgive us.

When we see people being exploited
because of lack of knowledge, and do nothing.

God, source of all goodness, forgive us.

When we have idolized knowledge
at the expense of loving and caring for others.

God, source of all love, forgive us.

When we have ridiculed others
for having a weak and feeble faith
because they appear to lack wisdom;

God, source of all wisdom, forgive us. *Silence is kept.*

Assurance of Pardon

Hear and believe these words of grace:

God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world,
but in order that the world might be saved through him.

And so I declare to you: In Jesus Christ we are loved, we are forgiven!

Thanks be to God!

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

Open my ears, that I may hear voices of truth thou sendest clear.

Open my ears; illumine me, Spirit divine!

Scripture *2 Corinthians 8:1-7*

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")

Message *Abundant Joy*

Beth Wagner

◆Hymn for Reflection #708 *We Give Thee but Thine Own*

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 (PCUSA) *The Brief Statement of Faith*

In life and in death we belong to God. Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel, whom alone we worship and serve.

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

Offertory *God's Gonna Set This World On Fire*

Moses Hogan

◆Response of Gratitude #694 *Great God of Every Blessing*

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

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

This Week

Sunday, November 10

- 9:00 AM Worship/Westminster Hall
- 9:45 AM Congregational Meeting/Westminster Hall
- 10:10 AM Second Sunday Brunch/Centennial Hall

Monday, November 11

- 9:15 AM ELL Classes In-Person/CE Building & Café
- 10:00 AM Coffee Shop Hours with Pastor Beth/Café Kopi
- 1:00 PM Knifty Knitters/Parlor & Zoom
- 1:00 PM Grow/Family Library
- 2:00 PM DREAAM After School Program/CE Building
- 5:30 PM AA/Centennial Hall
- 6:00 PM DREAAM Cheer/Gym

Tuesday, November 12

- 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
- 2:00 PM DREAAM After School Program/CE Building
- 4:30 PM Mission Team/Parlor & Zoom
- 5:00 PM DREAAM Mentoring Program/Centennial Hall
- 6:00 PM DREAAM Dance/Gym
- 7:00 PM Worship Team/Parlor & Zoom

Wednesday, November 13

- 9:15 AM ELL Classes In-Person/CE Building & Café
- 9:30 AM Nurture/Parlor & Zoom
- 2:00 PM DREAAM After School Program/CE Building
- 3:30 PM DREAAM Youth Club/Centennial Hall
- 5:30 PM DREAAM Parenting Class/Cafe\
- 7:30 PM Together on Tuesdays/Zoom

Thursday, November 14

- 9:00 AM Women's Bible Study/Parlor & Zoom
- 12:30 PM Windsor of Savoy Bible Study/Windsor of Savoy
- 4:30 PM Finance/Parlor & Zoom
- 2:00 PM DREAAM After School Program/CE Building
- 5:00 PM DREAAM Elite Study Hall & Dinner/Centennial Hall
- 6:00 PM DREAAM Cheer/Gym
- 7:15 PM Choir Rehearsal/Choir Room

Friday, November 15 Church Office closes at noon

- 8:15 AM Men's Prayer/Zoom
- 10:00 AM Christ Community Church Choir Rehearsal/Chapel
- 2:00 PM DREAAM After School Program/CE Building

Saturday, November 16

- 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 the elevator to our historic Sanctuary is being replaced.
- Please wear your **nametag** to help our **staff** get acquainted.
- Jane Seiler** is our liturgist this morning. If you would like to serve, contact **Carol Miles**.
- Thank you to **Jace Kim** for serving as our pianist this morning.
- Join us this morning immediately following worship for **Second Sunday Brunch**. Brunch is free as is the fellowship. Donations welcomed!
- During November...**Join **Paster Beth** at **Café Kopi** (109 N Walnut) on Mondays from 10-12. Café Kopi is closing in December after 30 years in downtown Champaign...so, one last cup at Café Kopi.
- 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.
- The **DREAAM middle school youth and staff will again join us on our campus** for fun activities, a Bible study, and to share a meal. We'll meet November 13 and December 11 from 3:30-5 PM. For more information, contact **Peter Yau** pmyau@illinois.edu (217-621-0448) to sign up to help in the kitchen, or **Holly Nordheden** hnordheden@gmail.com (217-621-3450) to sign up to serve as table partners we need to greet our guests and facilitate conversation with prepared questions during our shared meal.
- You are invited to join our ELL Students and Staff for a **Thanksgiving Dinner** on Wednesday, November 20, from 11 AM to 1 PM in Centennial Hall.
- Kemmerer Village is the recipient of our **2024 Angel Tree** offering. Christmas is a time of wonder, a time to dream and a time of hope with the coming of the Christ child. With each ornament, you have the ability to give a child that special Christmas joy and hope. Ornaments will highlight a child and include his or her special wish. Our Angel Tree will go up early this year (November 10) as our gifts need to be delivered to Kemmerer the first week of December.
- We are compiling a booklet of the **interviews from the church history research** for the history book, *Heritage, Vision, and Mission*. If you would be interested in a copy at \$10, please contact the church office (info@firstpres.church) or **Nancy Martin** nemartin81@hotmail.com
- Presbyterian Disaster Assistance** is the recipient of this year's **Advent Offering** in December. With our nation's recent disasters as well as world disasters, we feel this is a very meaningful way to share God's love. Please think about your gift to PDA and write *Advent* on your check or online contribution.
- Help us stock our **Free Little Pantry**. Donations are appreciated. This time of year stocking hats and gloves are great. Drop off 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 **November 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.

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