

## 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.

### 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 #66 *Every Time I Feel the Spirit*

❖ Charge and Benediction

❖ Congregational Sung Benediction #611 *Joyful, Joyful* (vs. 1)

Joyful, joyful, we adore thee, God of glory, Lord of love!  
Hearts unfold like flowers before thee, opening to the sun above.  
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness; drive the dark of doubt away.  
Giver of immortal gladness, fill us with the light of day.

❖ Postlude

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

### Bulletin note on hymns:

The first hymn selection, *Spirit, Open My Heart*, is a folk tune, based on an Irish melody. *Every Time I Feel the Spirit* is an African-American spiritual which demonstrates the belief that communion with God is a spirit-filled encounter involving the total person. The Presbyterian Hymnal Companion says, "African-Americans have always had an understanding of a God who could be felt. Under the power of the Spirit, one is moved to pray, preach, sing or witness."

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# FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF CHAMPAIGN

February 13, 2022 Sixth Sunday after Epiphany



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. 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**

#### **❖Call to Worship**

Like trees planted by streams of water

**Let us trust in the Lord**

and meditate on God's Word

**so we can yield good and bountiful fruit.**

#### **❖Hymn #692 *Spirit, Open My Heart***

### **Call to Confession**

Who can understand the heart? Only God.

Let us confess the ways we have turned from the One who knows us and saves us.

### **Prayer of Confession**

**Sustaining God, you lead us through parched wilderness places to streams of living water, but we do not root ourselves in health and wholeness. We ignore your rich provisions, choosing the world's latest fad and shallow self-help. We sentimentalize the spiritual and ignore the needs of our soul. Merciful God, forgive our arrogance and our ignorance. Remind us of our spiritual needs and the many ways you are here to provide. Amen.**

### **Assurance of Pardon**

Blessed are those who trust the Lord.

**When heat comes, our leaves will stay green.**

In a year of drought,

**we will not cease to bear fruit.**

Know that you are forgiven and be at peace.

### **Passing of the Peace** (*Waves not touches!*)

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

#### **Offertory**

**Sung Response #647** *Give Thanks*

**Give thanks with a grateful heart; give thanks to the Holy One;**

**give thanks because we're given Jesus Christ the Son.**

**Give thanks with a grateful heart; give thanks to the Holy One;**

**give thanks because we're given Jesus Christ the Son.**

**And now let the weak say, "We are strong"; let the poor say, "We are rich because of what the Lord has done for us!"**

**And now let the weak say, "We are strong"; let the poor say, "We are rich because of what the Lord has done for us!" Give thanks. Give thanks.**

#### **Prayer of Dedication**

## **We Gather Around God's Holy Name**

*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*

**Come and fill out hearts with your peace. You alone, O Lord, are holy.**

**Come and fill our hearts with your peace. Alleluia!**

**Gospel** *Luke 5:8-11* (NT pg. 62)

<sup>8</sup> But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, "Go away from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man!" <sup>9</sup> For he and all who were with him were amazed at the catch of fish that they had taken; <sup>10</sup> and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. Then Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching people." <sup>11</sup> When they had brought their boats to shore, they left everything and followed him.

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** *Sarah's Creek*

Matt Matthews

**Anthem** *Cantate Domino (O Sing to the Lord)*

Giuseppe Pitoni (1657-1743)

## This Week

### Sunday, February 13

- 9:00 AM Worship/Sanctuary
- 10:15 AM Adult Sunday School/Sanctuary
- 10:15 AM Worship/Windsor of Savoy
- 11:00 AM Easy English Fellowship/Zoom
- 11:15 AM The Gathering/Chapel

### Monday, February 14

- 9:00 AM ESL Classes/Zoom
- 1:00 PM Knifty Knitters/Parlor & Zoom
- 1:00 PM Prayer Ministry Team/Chapel & Zoom
- 2:00 PM DREAAM After School Program/CE Building
- 3:00 PM DREAAM Cooking Class/Centennial Hall
- 4:00 PM HR Meeting/Zoom
- 5:30 PM AA/Centennial Hall

### Tuesday, February 15

- 8:00 AM Men's Breakfast Study/Zoom
- 9:00 AM ESL Classes/Zoom
- 10:00 AM Staff Meeting/Parlor & Zoom
- 12:00 PM Classic Book Study/Parlor & Zoom
- 2:00 PM DREAAM After School Program/CE Building
- 4:30 PM World Mission Team/Parlor & Zoom
- 7:00 PM Worship Team/Parlor & Zoom

### Wednesday, February 16

- 9:00 AM ESL Classes/Zoom
- 12:00 PM Bach Concert/Sanctuary
- 1:30 PM Pakistan Study/Parlor & Zoom
- 2:00 PM DREAAM After School Program/CE Building
- 3:00 PM ESL Classes/Zoom
- 3:45 PM DREAAM Cooking Class/Centennial Hall
- 7:30 PM ESL Classes/Zoom

### Thursday, February 17

- 9:00 AM Women's Bible Study/Parlor & Zoom
- 9:00 AM ESL Classes/Zoom
- 12:30 PM Bible Study/Windsor of Savoy
- 2:00 PM DREAAM After School Program/CE Building
- 6:30 PM Compassion, Peace & Justice/Zoom
- 7:00 PM Session/Parlor & Zoom

### Friday, February 18 Church Office closes at noon

- 8:30 AM Men's Prayer/Zoom
- 7:30 PM Friday Nite Lights Study/Zoom

### Saturday, February 19

- 1:00 PM APNC/Parlor
- 6:00 PM French Prayer/Zoom

## 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**.
- Everyone **must wear a mask** indoors for safety. Thank you!
- Due to rising Covid-19 case numbers and hospitalizations, **in-person Sunday School has been postponed**. We hope to resume in-person classes soon. Check out [Firstpres.church/kids](https://firstpres.church/kids) (password: Firstpreskids) for activities to do at home.
- Join us this morning for **Adult Sunday School** at 10:15 AM in the Sanctuary. **Matt Matthews** will lead a discussion entitled *The Theology (or the rather limited theology) of Rock and Roll*.
- If unable to attend church**, catch our 9 AM service live each Sunday morning at [firstpres.live](https://firstpres.live). The Sunday **sermon** is available on-line anytime or on WDWS 1400AM the next Sunday at 10:30 AM.
- Building relationships with one another is a valuable part in building our church and what better way to do that than **Small Groups**. The new **Winter/Spring brochure is now available**. The brochures and sign-up are in Westminster Hall. After the service, come look us up. Someone will be there to answer questions.
- Judi Geistlinger** will preach at this morning's 10:15 AM service at the Windsor of Savoy.
- Bach Concerts** presented by the U of I Choral Department will be held Wednesdays at 12 noon in the Sanctuary. Join us February 16 and 23; March 9 and 30; and April 6 and 20. Concerts are free and open to the public. Masks required.
- Help stock our **Free Little Pantry**. Supplies are very low and much appreciated during these cold winter months. Suggested items are small cereal boxes, self opening cans, protein bars, granola bars, small Kleenex packs, nuts and dried fruits. Items can be dropped off in the church office or Westminster Hall.
- If you or a loved one is **in the hospital or in need of a pastoral visit**, contact the church office.
- The **February newsletter** is available in the kiosks or at [firstpres.church/newsletter](https://firstpres.church/newsletter).
- The Annual Meeting of the Congregation will be held Sunday, March 6, immediately following the 9 AM service.**

**John McCutcheon in concert**

**Sunday February 20<sup>th</sup> 2 PM matinee**

**Admission free; donations appreciated**

**All must wear a mask and provide proof of vaccination or negative COVID test**