

Response of Gratitude *Let Us Be Makers* (vs. 2)

Let us be makers, makers of change, compassion and courage for each new exchange.
As we discern, God, our offerings now, gift us and bless us, show us just how.

Prayer of Dedication & Thanksgiving

Prayers of the People

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

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

Minute for Mission – Habitat Interfaith Build

✠Hymn for Commitment #24 *God, Who Stretched the Spangled Heavens*

✠Charge and Benediction

✠Congregational Sung Benediction

Praise to the Maker, the One who gives breath. Praise to Christ Jesus, who reigns over death.
Praise to the Spirit, our strength and our friend. Three-in-One present, world without end.

✠Postlude *Love Divine, All Loves Excelling*

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



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF CHAMPAIGN

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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 *Change My Heart, O God*

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 pews.

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

The world needs to change, a lot. There are so many things that need change,

and we can get overwhelmed,

especially if we think that we need to make all of the change by ourselves. We need to remember that God is already at work.

God has been, and always will be, doing a new thing.

We are called to show up and cooperate with what God is doing! We are the changemakers, and we are being made ready!

May we be changed by this time of worship!

Opening Prayer

✠**Hymn of Praise #39** *Great Is Thy Faithfulness*

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

Prayer of Confession

Holy One, you are always at work in the world, and you call us to be a part of what you are doing.

But all too often, we don't see the creative opportunities that you have for us. We think too narrowly about what we can give, what we can do. We struggle to trust that you are at work within us as well.

Forgive us.

Forgive us for when we fail to see others. Forgive us for when we failed to trust. Forgive us for when we failed to risk vulnerability. Forgive us, and change us again. Remake us as the people who cooperate with your Spirit.

Remake us as the Body of Christ, that we would work for the healing of the world.

Amen. *Silence is kept.*

Kyrie #579 *Lord, Have Mercy*

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 #463 *How Firm a Foundation* (vs. 1)

Scripture in French *Isaiah 41:17-20*

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

Anthem *At the River*

adptd. Aaron Copland

Scripture in English *Luke 7:36-50*

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

Message

Rev. Joe Lundy

✠**Hymn for Reflection #201** *A Prophet – Woman Broke a Jar*

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.

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

This Week

Sunday, February 8

- 9:00 AM Worship/Sanctuary
- 10:10 AM Easy English Fellowship/Rooms 204 & 207
- 10:10 AM Sunday School/CE Building Classrooms

Monday, February 9

- 9:15 AM ELL Classes/CE Building & Café
- 1:00 PM GROW/Chapel
- 1:00 PM Knifty Knitters/Parlor & Zoom
- 1:00 PM DREAAM After School Academy/CE Building
- 5:30 PM AA/Centennial Hall

Tuesday, February 10

- 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
- 4:30 PM Mission Team/Parlor & Zoom

Wednesday, February 11

- 9:00 AM Nurture/Parlor & Zoom
- 9:15 AM ELL Classes/CE Building & Café
- 10:00 AM Coffee with Beth/Good Judy's Bagels
- 11:00 AM Francophone Ministry/Library
- 1:00 PM DREAAM After School Academy/CE Building
- 5:30 PM DREAAM Family Dinner/Centennial Hall
- 5:30 PM Outreach/Parlor & Zoom
- 6:00 PM Worship Team/Library & Zoom
- 7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal/Choir Room
- 7:30 PM Wednesdays We Gather/Zoom

Thursday, February 12

- 9:00 AM Women's Bible Study/Parlor & Zoom
- 9:15 AM ELL Classes/CE Building & Café
- 11:00 AM Christ Community Church Korean Choir/Chapel
- 12:30 PM Windsor of Savoy Bible Study/Windsor of Savoy
- 1:00 PM DREAAM After School Academy/CE Building
- 4:30 PM Finance Team/Parlor & Zoom

Friday, February 13 Church Office closes 12 noon

- 8:15 AM Men's Prayer/Zoom
- 12:00 PM New Americans/Chapel
- 1:00 PM DREAAM After School Academy/CE Building
- 7:00 PM French Prayer/Zoom

Saturday, February 14

- 9:00 AM DREAAM Saturday Academy/CE Building
- 9:15 AM DREAAM Illini Mentoring/Centennial Hall
- 6:00 PM Men's Discussion Graduate Life/Café
- 6:00 PM Francophone Bethesda Fellowship/Chapel

Announcements

- The flowers this morning are given by **Ritchie Drennen** in loving memory of his wife, Mamie, whose birthday was in January.
- Miriam Chenault** is our liturgist this morning. If you would like to serve as liturgist on a Sunday morning, contact **Carol Miles**.
- Large print bulletins** available for use on Sunday mornings. Ask an usher if you cannot find one.
- We have access to our hearing assistant loop during worship. 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.
- 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 **name tag** 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.
- 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.
- Join us this morning immediately following worship in the Parlor for our **Adult Discussion**. Rescheduled from January 25, we will get a chance to meet our graduate students and discuss *The Lord of All Nations*.
- Join **Pastor Beth** for **coffee in February on Wednesdays from 10 AM - 12 NOON** at Good Judy's, 2740 S. Philo Road in Urbana.
- The **Men's Tuesday Morning Bible Study** is pausing to refuel. Interested in moving forward with something new? Email info@firstpres.church.
- Gather at the church at 11:30 AM Friday, February 13, as we go together to catch the bus to and from the free Thai lunch and the **YMCA Friday Forum** and Conversation Cafe. Check the February newsletter for topic and speaker.
- The **Annual Meeting of the Congregation** will be held Sunday, February 15, immediately following worship. Watch email for the zoom link if unable to be present.
- God's love is in the air**. Please join us for a special **Valentine brunch on Sunday, February 15**. Nurture invites you to a special buffet with table games after the Annual Meeting. Come and be ready for some good food and fun. This bumps the Second Sunday Brunch to the Third Sunday in February only.
- 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 **February 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.
- Scam Alert** ... Please know that your pastors will **never** send a text, email or voicemail asking you to help them by purchasing gift cards. **This** is a scam, you should immediately delete the message. If you are unsure please reach out to the pastors directly to confirm the request is real.