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 #54 Make a Joyful Noise to God
- **♦**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

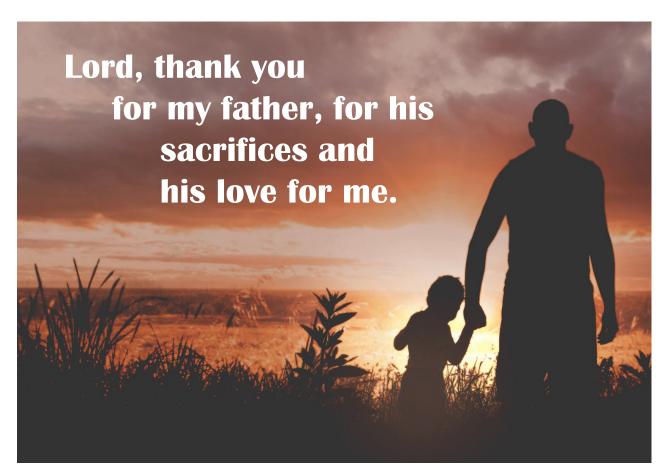
♦Please stand if able. Remain seated if need be.



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF CHAMPAIGN

June 16, 2024

4th Sunday after Pentecost



Welcome to First Presbyterian Church Bienvenue à La Premiere Eglise Presbytérienne de Champaign Bienvenidos a La Primera Iglésia Presbiteriana

샴페인 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 worshiping 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." 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 pads.

Greeting & Announcements

◆Call to Worship (from *Psalm 92:1-4*)

It is good for us to give thanks to you, Lord;

For us to sing praises to your name;

For us to declare your steadfast love in the morning,

And your faithfulness by night.

For you have made us glad by your work,

At the works of your hands we sing for joy!

♦ Hymn of Praise #804 Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart!

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession (Terri Mcdowell Ott from Presbyterian Outlook)

Holy God, you are a blessing to all people yet we choose sides and pit "us" against "them." Forgive our divisiveness. Forgive our exclusion. Forgive the ways we fail to seek and share your abundance. Help us build the Beloved Community you desire for us, where all your children may live in peace. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Passing of the Peace

Invitation to the Offering (We are invited to return God's tithes and give our offering.) Offertory – Sora Shepard

Response of Gratitude #240 Alleluia, Alleluia, Give Thanks

Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord.

Alleluia, alleluia! Praise to his name.

Prayer of Dedication & Thanksgiving

Hymn of Reflection #370 This Is My Father's World

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 #137 He Came Down

He came down that we may have love; he came down that we may have love; He came down that we may have love; hallelujah forevermore.

Scripture Mark 4:26-34

This is the Word of the Lord./Thanks be to God! Ceci est la Parole du Seignuer./Gloire à Dieu (pronounced "glow-ah ah dew")

Sermon Joe Lundy

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.

Anthem Dear Lord and Father of Mankind

text: John Greenleaf Whittier; music: Hubert Parry; arr. Sue M. Wallace

This Week

Sunday, June 16

- 9:00 AM Worship/Westminster Hall
- 10:10 AM Easy English Fellowship/Rooms 104 & 105
- 10:15 AM Worship/Windsor of Savoy

Monday, June 17

- 9:00 AM Compassion, Peace, Justice/Zoom
- 9:15 AM ELL Classes In-Person/CE Building & Cafe
- 1:00 PM Knifty Knitters/Parlor & Zoom
- 1:00 PM GROW/Family Library
- 3:30 PM Environmental Team/Parlor & Zoom
- 5:30 PM AA/Centennial Hall

Tuesday, June 18

- 8:00 AM Men's Breakfast Bible Study/Parlor & Zoom
- 9:15 AM ELL Classes In-Person/CE Building & Cafe
- 10:30 AM Church Staff/Parlor & Zoom
- 5:30 PM Outreach/Parlor
- 7:30 PM Together on Tuesdays/Zoom

Wednesday, June 19 Church Office Closed

- 9:00 AM Cuba Partners/Zoom
- 9:15 AM ELL Classes In-Person/CE Building & Cafe
- 7:00 PM Adult Ed Summer Series/Parlor & Zoom

Thursday, June 20

- 3:00 PM Community Mission Deacons/Parlor & Zoom
- 5:30 PM DREAAM Life Coach Supervision/Cafe
- 7:00 PM Session/Parlor & Zoom
- 7:00 PM Chancel Choir/Westminster Hall

Friday, June 21 Church Office closes at noon

8:15 AM Men's Prayer/Zoom

Saturday, June 22

- 8:30 AM Adopt-a-Highway/Entry CE Building
- 6:00 PM French Worship Service/Chapel

Announcements

- •We are glad you're here! Questions about First Pres, see Associate Pastor Joe Lundy after the service or contact the church office (info@firstpres.church). We are presently worshiping in Westminster Hall while our elevator is being replaced.
- •Please wear your nametag to help our Associate Pastor Joe Lundy get acquainted.
- •Linda Sandquist is our liturgist this morning. If you would like to serve, contact Carol Miles.
- •Joe Lundy will preach this morning's service at the Windsor of Savoy.
- •Sunday Adult Ed will take a break during the summer. We will instead be offering **Adult Bible Study** and **Christian Discussion** on Wednesday evenings either in-person or zoom. Join us June 19, 26; July 10, 17, 24, 31 or August 7, 14, 21 at 7 PM in the Parlor. Contact church office for zoom link if unable to attend in-person.
- •The **church office will be closed Wednesday, June 19**, in observation of the Juneteenth National Holiday.
- •The next **Adopt-a-Highway** will be Saturday, June 22, at 8:30 AM. Gather at the entry way of the CE Building.
- •On Sunday, June 23, immediately following worship we will host a **Farewell Celebration** honoring **Matt and Rachel Matthews.** You are invited to join us in Centennial Hall for fruit, pastries, cake and coffee as we say goodbye and good luck to the Matthews.
- •Thank you for your generosity in signing up for the **meals for Habitat volunteers** on the third Saturday. All slots are filled. Join us in solidarity with the Summer build by fixing for your own families the recipes we have provided for you on the mission kiosk in Westminster.
- •Church Office hours have changed. The church office is now open Monday-Thursday 8:30 AM-2 PM, Fridays 8:30 AM-noon. You can always leave a voice mail after hours or on weekends.
- •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 June 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 <u>firstpres.church/live.</u> The Sunday **sermon** is available on-line anytime or on WDWS 1400AM the next Sunday at 10:30 AM.