

Welcome

We are an inclusive, Christ-centered community of faith, passionately committed to sharing the love of Jesus Christ in practical ways. Please let us know of your interests and concerns.

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We want to get to know you!

- If you would like to hear the service in French, please pick up headphones and a receiver at the back of the Sanctuary. Si vous souhaitez que le service soit traduit en français, procurez-vous un récepteur et des écouteurs à l'arrière du sanctuaire.
- Fill in the Friendship Pads; please use a name tag.
- Introduce yourself to your pew mates and one of the pastors.
- Join us for coffee and conversation in Westminster Hall.
- Trouble hearing? Try a hearing device at the back of the Sanctuary.
- Large-print hymnals are in the back.
- Wheelchairs are available for in-church use.
- Printed sermons are available the following week; video is available at www.firstpres.live

Children, Youth & Families

Child care is available for children 4 years and younger in the education building 8:45 AM-12:15 PM. Parents must sign children in and out of the child care rooms directly. Please sign your children in for Sunday School at the Welcome Center in Westminster Hall (main level). You will receive a name tag for your child/ren and a matching identification label to be used by the adult responsible for them at pick up. Children meet their teachers in the south east children's corner of Westminster Hall. Teachers will lead children to their classrooms in the Education Building across the alley. Education hour is 10:15-11:05 AM. Children's Choir is in the chapel 11-11:30 AM. Children are to be picked up from their classrooms or from choir practice. Nursery-Kinder-garten—first floor; 1st-High School—second floor. The 6-7th grade meet in the family library on the first floor.

Schedule

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| 8:45-9 | Check-in at the Welcome Center desk and gather in the children's corner |
| 9-10 | Children may attend traditional worship with a special children's sermon |
| 10-10:15 | Children meet their teachers in the children's corner and walk over to the classroom in the education building |
| 10:15-11:05 | Faith Education lessons in the classrooms |
| 11:05 | Children dismissed |
| 11-11:30 | Children's choir rehearsal in the chapel |
| 11:15-12:15 | Children may attend The Gathering worship service |

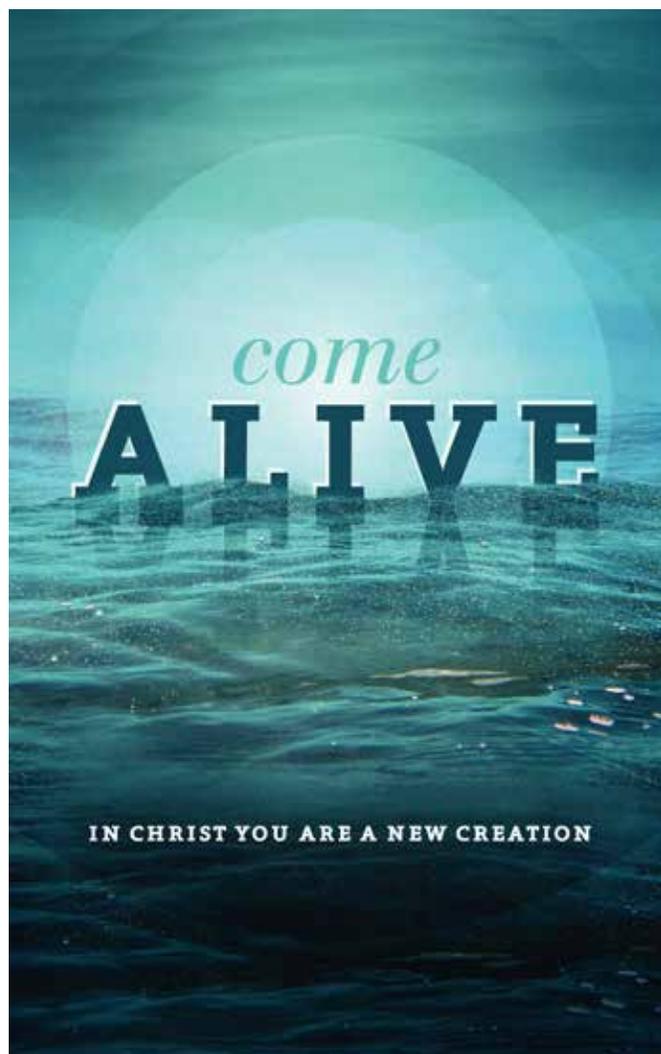
Contact our Director of Children, Youth, and Family Ministries, **Mindy Watts-Ellis** (mindy@firstpres.church) for more information.

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FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF CHAMPAIGN

January 12, 2020
Baptism of the Lord
9 AM



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

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des écouteurs à l'arrière du sanctuaire.

Service for the Lord's Day

A special welcome to those at our church for the first time.

We'd love to connect with you this morning. Fill out the Friendship Pad when passed, then stop by our Welcome Center after the service to receive a small gift. Enjoy some coffee, meet new people, and learn how our church can become your home.

Prelude Richard Rossi

Preparation for Worship – Tower Bell

Greeting & Announcements

Introit *Cry Out With Joy to the Lord* Richard Rossi

❖ Call to Worship

Do not fear, for I have redeemed you, says the Lord.
I have called you by name, you are mine.

Hallelujah!

This is the day the Lord has made.

Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

❖ **Hymn #488** *I Was There To Hear Your Morning Cry*

Call to Confession (from *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, and
remembering our baptism, let us confess our sins to God.

Prayer of Confession

**Holy God, our hearts are loyal to many things. We
seek your will but admit that not only are our
loyalties divided but also our loyalties divide us.
We affirm that we are united as one body of your son
Jesus, but we willingly estrange ourselves from
brothers and sisters who are "different."**

**We strive to be good neighbors, but in serving
ourselves first, we often lack the energy or desire to
serve others.**

**We love your good earth, but refuse to admit the
complicated ways we pollute it.**

**We want to sing your praises, but are reluctant to
sing in anything but our favorite key.**

**We are a people with both noble intentions and
practiced excuses.**

**Forgive us for these and other inconsistencies of
will. Tune our vision to your amazing grace, and grant
us the courage and integrity to walk in your way. We
ask this in Christ's name, AMEN.**

Assurance of Pardon

Friends, believe the gospel and be at peace.

Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation.

The old life has gone; a new life has begun.

Know that by God's grace in Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

Thanks be to God.

❖ Passing of the Peace

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

Please greet one another in the peace of Christ.

Response of Gratitude #240 *Alleluia, Alleluia, Give Thanks*
(See screens)

❖ **Hymn #482** *Baptized in Water*

Act of Friendship and Sharing Prayer Concerns

(Learn the names of your pew mates. Please complete Prayer Request Card.)

Children's Time

Offering of Gifts and Tithes Richard Rossi
Sung Response #609 *Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow*

Prayer of Dedication

Prayer for Illumination #474 *As a Child Rests* (refrain)
**As a child rests in its mother's arms, so will I rest in you.
As a child rests in its mother's arms, so will I rest in you.**

A Reading from the Epistles *Acts 10:34-43* (NT pg. 129)

Anthem *Spirit of God Descend Upon My Heart* Crawford Thoburn

A Reading from the Gospels *Matthew 3:13-17* (NT pg. 3)

This is the Word of the LORD.

Thanks be to God.

Message *Being Church* Pastor Matt Matthews

Service of Ordination and Installation of Officers

Opening Statement

There are many gifts,

But it is the same Spirit who gives them.

There are different ways of serving God,

But it is the same Lord who is served.

God works through different people in different ways,

**But it is the same God who achieves his purpose
through them all.**

Each one is given a gift by the Spirit

To use it for the common good.

Together we are the body of Christ,

And individually members of him.

Constitutional Questions to the Officers-elect

Constitutional Questions to the Congregation

The Prayer of Ordination and Installation

(All ministers, elders and deacons of this congregation and of
all other Christian congregations are invited to come forward
for the laying on of hands.)

The Charge

The Session and congregation will welcome our newest officers
during the coffee fellowship in Westminster Hall immediately
after the benediction.

❖ **Hymn #547** *Go, My Children, With My Blessing*

❖ **Charge and Benediction** (from *Micah 6:8*)

What does the Lord require of us?

**To seek justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with
our God.**

May God help us live this high calling faithfully, as we strive to
be good stewards of all our gifts.

Thanks be to God! Use us, God.

God has richly blessed us to be a blessing to the world in
Christ's name.

Thanks be to God! Guide our steps.

❖ **Congregational Choral Benediction #765**

May the God of Hope Go With Us sung twice (See screens)

❖ **Postlude** Richard Rossi
(If you wish to be seated for the postlude, you may.)

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

This Week

Sunday, January 12

- 9:00 AM Worship/Sanctuary
- 10:00 AM Easy English Fellowship/Room 204, 212
- 10:15 AM Sunday School/Education Building
- 10:15 AM Adult Ed/Parlor
- 11:00 AM Children's Choir/Chapel
- 11:15 AM The Gathering/Centennial Hall
- 2:00 PM French Young Adult Group/Room 204
- 2:00 PM Memorial Service/Centennial Hall

Monday, January 13

- 9:00 AM ESL Classes/Rooms 201,204,205,206, Café
- 1:00 PM GROW/Family Library
- 1:00 PM Knifty Knitters/Parlor
- 1:00 PM Prayer Ministry/Library
- 5:30 PM AA/Centennial Hall
- 6:30 PM Epilepsy Support/Westminster Hall

Tuesday, January 14

- 7:00 AM Men's Breakfast Study/Centennial Hall
- 9:00 AM ESL Classes/Rooms 201,204,205,206, Café
- 10:30 AM Staff Meeting/Parlor
- 12:00 PM Classic Book Study/Atkins Bldg, S. First Street-C.
- 5:30 PM Contemporary Worship Team/Parlor
- 7:00 PM Worship Team/Parlor

Wednesday, January 15

- 9:00 AM ESL Classes/Rooms 201,204,205,206, Café
- 1:30 PM Pakistan Study/Parlor
- 2:30 PM CYF/Chapel
- 6:00 PM Bell Choir Rehearsal/Bell Room
- 7:00 PM Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal/Choir Room

Thursday, January 16

- 7:30 AM Men's Breakfast Study/Library
- 9:00 AM ESL Classes/Rooms 201,204,205,206, Café
- 9:00 AM Women's Bible Study/Parlor
- 11:00 AM Compassion, Peace, Justice/Library
- 12:30 PM Congregational Care Deacons/Parlor
- 7:00 PM Session/Westminster Hall

Friday, January 17 Church Office closes at Noon

- 8:30 AM Men's Prayer/Chapel

Saturday, January 18

- 6:00 PM Praise & Prayer Gathering/Centennial Hall

Worship

- Liturgist this morning is **Rachel Matthews**. Contact **Judi Geistlinger** judgeistlinger@outlook.com to serve as a liturgist.
- We **welcome children** of all ages to worship. The CYF committee has provided green pew cards with tips on the back for guiding children in worship.

Connect

- We are glad you're here!** If you want to learn more about becoming a member of First Pres, contact **Pastor Matt** or **Pastor Eric** or call the church office.
- Stick around after the 9 AM service to get in the "last word." Join us in the Parlor Dining Room for a bite to eat and a time to focus on the scripture from this morning and discuss the sermon. **Mary Gritten** will lead this morning's *AfterWord*.
- Keep up with the latest news...pick up a copy of the **January newsletter** from one of the kiosks if you did not receive an email or mail copy. We are starting a new feature in our newsletter next month tentatively called "What's up at FPCC?" If you have a question about anything at all at the church, send them along to info@firstpres.church with "What's up" in the subject line. Look for the answers in the newsletter.
- Photos from some of the Christmas services** are now available on our Facebook page at <http://fb.com/firstprescampaign/photos>. We'll be adding more photos soon. When you arrive at that page, you'll first see Albums listed. Click an album to see photos. "Like," comment, and share your favorites! Sharing photos and information about your church is a great way to tell your friends about how God is working at First Pres! If you do not have a Facebook account, it is easy and free to sign up. However, you do not have to have a Facebook account to view the photos. As you scroll down the page, a large box will pop up, asking you to log in or create an account. Just click "Not now" and you can continue to view the photos. Enjoy!
- There are several events throughout the county to **commemorate the life and legacy of Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.** The county wide celebration is at 4 PM on Friday, January 17, at The Vineyard Church. This year's keynote speaker will be **Dr. Sampson Davis**. On Sunday, January 19, at 5 PM, Krannert will host the 35th Annual MLK Service of Celebration. There is also a Unity Breakfast, a day of service, and more. Check details at <https://www.oae.illinois.edu/MLK/calendar.html>. Hope to see you at one or more of these events!

Serve

- CYF is seeking faith-filled adults to pair with our confirmands to serve as **mentors**. We have 6 female and 1 male student currently in the class. Contact **Mindy Watts-Ellis** for more details and to volunteer.
- Thank you** for your support of the Styrofoam recycling event. It was a great success! Five large bags were taken to Dart for recycling. For more information on how you can continue to recycle Styrofoam, read this month's Newsletter!