

# 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!

- Fill in the Friendship Pads; please use a name tag.
- Introduce yourself to 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 on the back table.
- Wheelchairs are available for in-church use.
- Printed sermons are available; audio can be found early the following week on the church website.

## Children, Youth & Families

Please sign in your child in the education building. There you will receive a name tag for your child/ren and a matching identification label to be used by the parent or guardian during pick up. Our nursery and toddler rooms (birth - 2yr) are open from 8:45 AM-12 PM each Sunday. The Sunday School education hour for K-8<sup>th</sup> grade is during the 9 AM worship service. The education hour for Confirmands and High School students is from 10:10-11 AM.

### Schedule

- 8:45-9:00 Children check-in and gather in the chapel
- 9:00-9:15 K-5 grades in worship, then class in the Education Building until 10 AM
- 9:00-10:00 Preschool and Middle School lessons in their classrooms
- 10:00 Parents pick up children in the family library on the first floor of the Education Building
- 10:10-11:00 High School Class, Confirmation Class (runs October 1-May 20)
- 11:00 Parent pick up of youth at Education Building entrance
- 11:00-12:00 Nursery and toddler rooms still available for child care

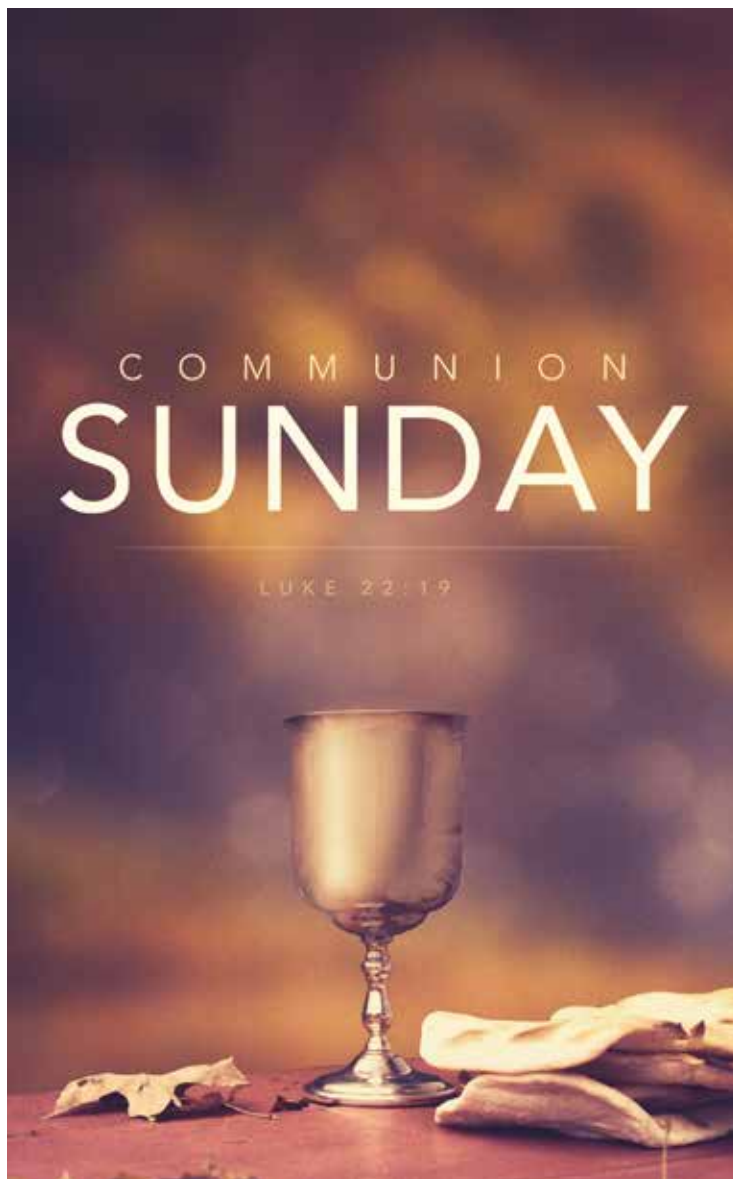
Contact our Director of Children, Youth, and Families, **Mindy Watts-Ellis** (mindy@firstpres.church) for more information about children and youth education and family events.

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## FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF CHAMPAIGN

# October 1, 2017 8 and 9 AM



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

삼페인 제일 장로교회에 오신것을 환영합니다.

Pour nos amis de langue française et les membres,  
nous avons des copies du sermon d'aujourd'hui en français  
à l'arrière de l'église

# Service for the Lord's Day

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

## The Welcoming

Prelude

Richard Rossi

Preparation for Worship – Tower Bell

The Greeting

## Drawing Near to God

9Introit *Holy, Holy, Holy*

John Dykes

### Call to Worship

Leader God of truth, we come longing for the peace that only you can provide.

People **We seem so often to be tossed to and fro, blown about by every wind except that of your own Holy Spirit.**

Leader Be pleased to dwell here this day, to receive our worship and our praise.

People **May your Spirit linger long, and speak the truth to us in love that we may come to the unity of faith and to the knowledge of the full stature of Christ, in whose name we gather together to worship.**

All **Let us worship the Living God!**

❖Hymn 477 *Ye Servants of God, Your Master Proclaim*

### 9Children's Sermon

#### ❖Prayer of Confession

Lord, you meet us through all our pretenses in that silent, secret space where our true spirit sojourns. We are prone to follow multiple voices claiming authority. We are confused, un-centered, lost amidst the loud noises of our culture beckoning us to follow. Prune away our duplicities that mask our best intentions and all those disguises we put up as defenses. Calm us long enough to listen and hear the true authority of your voice seeking to break through and touch the truth of our being. Give us eyes to see the integrity of lives given over and centered on you...(continue to pray in silence)

#### ❖Assurance of Pardon

Leader "Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus.

People **He humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross.**

Leader Therefore God has highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name,

People **So that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend...and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father."** (Philippians 2:1-11)

All **Let us embrace and enter into the humility and authority of his salvation!**

#### ❖Passing of the Peace

Leader The peace of Christ be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Leader Please greet one another in the peace of Christ.

Response #579 *Glory Be To the Father*

Act of Friendship and Updates

Moment for Ministry – Ann Stout, Human Resources

Offering of Gifts and Tithes

*Bread of the World*

Dennis Eliot

Please complete Prayer Request Card

## Hearing God's Word

Scripture *Exodus 17:1-7* (OT pg. 64)

*Matthew 21:23-32* (NT pg. 23)

Sermon *By What Authority Should I Change?*

Pastor Chuck Carlson

### The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord: Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and buried. He descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits on the right hand of God the Father Almighty, from thence he shall 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.

## Responding to God's Word

The Sacrament of Holy Communion

The Invitation to the Table

The Thanksgiving

Leader The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Leader Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them up to the Lord.**

Leader Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Prayers for Ourselves and Others

The Words of Institution

Distribution of the Elements

Communion

Richard Rossi

*The Lord's Prayer* (hymnal pg. 16, Traditional)

❖Hymn 509 *For the Bread Which You Have Broken*

#### ❖Benediction

#### ❖8Benediction Response

**May the Lord, Mighty God, bless and keep you forever. Grant you peace, perfect peace, courage in every endeavor. Lift your eyes and see His face, and His grace forever. May the Lord, Mighty God, bless and keep you forever.**

❖9Choral Benediction *A Blessing*

Ryan Rimington

#### ❖Postlude

Richard Rossi

❖Please stand if able

# This Week

## Sunday, October 1

- 8:00 AM Contemplative Worship/Sanctuary
- 9:00 AM Traditional Worship/Sanctuary
- 9:00 AM Sunday School (K-5<sup>th</sup> in Worship until 9:15)/CE Bldg
- 10:10 AM High School Class/CE Bldg
- 10:10 AM Confirmation Class/Room 206
- 10:10 AM Adult Drop-In Class/Parlor
- 10:10 AM Adult Drop-In Class (French)/Room 204
- 11:00 AM The Gathering/Centennial Hall
- 12:00 PM Courageous Conversation/Westminster Hall
- 12:00 PM Pastor Nominating Committee/Chapel
- 12:00 PM Praise & Prayer Choir Rehearsal/Centennial Hall
- 2:00 PM French Young Adult Group/Chapel

## Monday, October 2

- 9:00 AM ESL Classes/Room 204
- 12:00 PM Prayer (French)/Various Homes
- 1:00 PM GROW/Chapel
- 5:00 PM Prayer (French)/Various Homes
- 5:00 PM HR/Library
- 5:30 PM AA/Centennial Hall
- 6:00 PM Rempe Small Group/Parlor

## Tuesday, October 3

- 7:00 AM Men's Breakfast/Centennial Hall
- 9:00 AM ESL Classes/Room 204
- 10:30 AM Staff Meeting/Parlor
- 12:00 PM Prayer (French)/Various Homes
- 1:00 PM ESL Interview/Library
- 5:00 PM Prayer (French)/Various Homes

## Wednesday, October 4

- 9:00 AM ESL Classes/Room 204
- 12:00 PM Prayer (French)/Various Homes
- 5:00 PM Prayer (French)/Various Homes
- 6:00 PM Bell Choir Rehearsal/Bell Room
- 7:00 PM Waking Up White Book Study/Westminster Hall
- 7:00 PM Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal/Choir Room

## Thursday, October 5

- 7:00 AM Men's Breakfast/Hardees on South Neil
- 9:00 AM ESL Classes/Room 204
- 9:00 AM Women's Study/Parlor
- 12:00 PM Congregational Care Deacons/Westminster Hall
- 12:00 PM Prayer (French)/Various Homes
- 5:00 PM Prayer (French)/Various Homes
- 6:00 PM YoungLives/Centennial Hall

## Friday, October 6

- 8:30 AM Men's Prayer/Chapel
- 12:00 PM Prayer (French)/Various Homes
- 5:00 PM Prayer (French)/Various Homes
- 5:00 PM Praise & Prayer Choir Rehearsal/Centennial Hall

## Saturday, October 7

- 1:00 PM Ahn-Mei Wedding/Sanctuary
- 3:00 PM Worship Prep/Centennial Hall
- 6:00 PM Praise & Prayer Gathering/Centennial Hall

# Worship

•Liturgists this morning are **Tanya Deckert** at the 8 AM service and **John Muirhead** at the 9 AM service.

•**We apologize for the inconvenience** of the scaffolding in the back of the Sanctuary this morning. Work is progressing as planned on the restoration of the stained glass windows. A little inconvenience this morning will allow for more time to complete the reinstallation of the east window this next week.

# Connect

•The Presbyterian Church USA has a membership of 1.5 M members while the country of South Korea boasts a membership of over 7 M. The **Korean Presbyterian Church** started in 1884 and one of the first missionaries was Rev. Horace Underwood. This morning following the services we will have the opportunity to hear **Dick Underwood**, the grandson of Horace Underwood, speak. Mr. Underwood will give a presentation, "What is a Korean? Past, Present and (Maybe) Future." Join us in Westminster Hall where a light lunch will be served at 12:30 with Mr. Underwood's presentation and a Q and A to follow.

•Copies of the **Small Group & Adult Education Opportunities** for Fall are now available in the kiosks around the church.

•The **Classic Book Study** began Tuesday, September 12, at the Atkins building, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor conference room. They continue the book discussion of *Friendship of Women*.

•**Sanctuary Choir** is back in session and we need you to join us! Rehearsals are Wednesday evenings from 7-8 PM and we always need fresh faces and voices. If you have questions, speak with **Joe Grant** or email him at [joegrant@illinois.edu](mailto:joegrant@illinois.edu).

A celebration of appreciation for  
**Chuck and Betty Carlson**  
will be held Sunday, October 15, at City View  
(top floor of the Illinois Terminal Amtrak and Bus station)

All are invited to a catered lunch at noon  
following ONE church service at 10 AM.  
If you would like to donate toward a retirement gift for the Carlsons, please make your check out to the church with a memo for retirement.

Call office by Monday to reserve your seat!