

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

8Minute for Ministry—Environmental Ginny Waaler &
Barbara Fuller-Curry

❖ **Hymn #332** *Live Into Hope*

❖ **Benediction**

8❖ **Benediction 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.

9❖ **Choral Benediction** *Blessing*

Robert A. Boyd

❖ **Postlude** 8 *Humoresque*

Dvorak

Ode to Joy

Beethoven

Upper Room Ringers; Karin Vermillion, director

9 Richard Rossi

❖ Please stand if able

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!

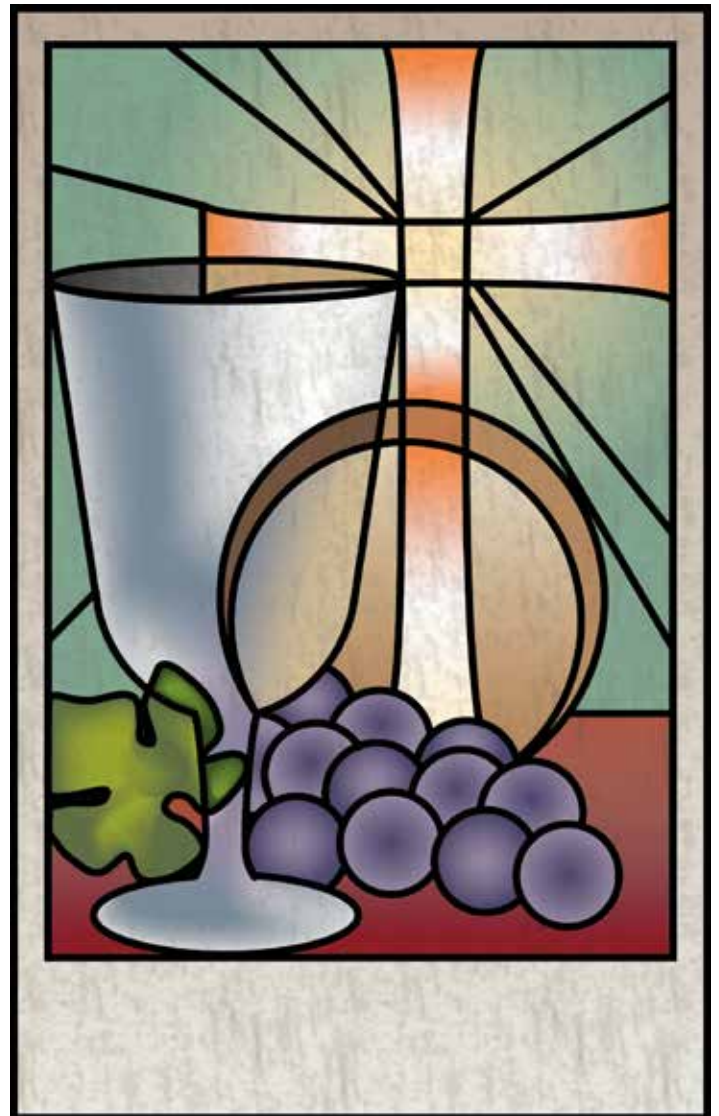
- Fill in the Friendship Pads; please use a name tag.
- Introduce yourself to one of the pastors.
- Join us for coffee and conversation in Westminster Hall.
- Trouble hearing? Try a hearing device at the back of the Sanctuary.
- Large-print hymnals are on the back table.
- Wheelchairs are available for in-church use.
- Printed sermons are available; audio can be found early the following week on the church website.



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF CHAMPAIGN

April 30, 2017

8 and 9 AM



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à l'arrière de l'église

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Service for the Lord's Day

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

The Welcoming

Prelude 8 Richard Rossi
9 *Humoresque* Dvorak
Ode to Joy Beethoven
Upper Room Ringers; Karin Vermillion, director

Preparation for Worship – Tower Bell

The Greeting and Announcements

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Drawing Near to God

9Introit *Morning Has Broken* arr. Dale Grotenhuis

Call to Worship

Leader Hear the proclamation of faith: Christ is risen from the dead! The Spirit is poured out. Lives are transformed.

People **God is active in our world. God brings hope and healing.**

Leader Hear the call of God: The Spirit of God invites us into community. We are called to see beyond ourselves, and to join in loving care for all those around us.

People **We accept God's call, and we rejoice in the gift of community.**

Leader Hear a challenge for today: The Earth is stressed by the heavy impact of human use. God's creation is groaning, crying out in pain.

People **We extend our love to all of God's creation, as we seek to live out our call to Creation Care.**

Leader People of faith, gather now to worship God the creator and redeemer of the world. Gather now to be transformed by God's compassionate love.

People **We praise with joy the world's creator, God of justice, love and peace!**

❖ **Hymn #455** *All Creatures of Our God and King*

❖Prayer of Confession

O God, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen: You place us in your creation, and you command us to care for it. Your works declare glory and splendor, and you call us to praise and reverence. Where we have degraded or destroyed earth's bounty, forgive us. Where we have taken beauty and majesty for granted, have mercy upon us. Where we have become estranged from the creatures with whom we share this planet, grant us your peace. Renew us in the waters of baptism, refresh us with the winds of your spirit, and sustain us with the breath of life...(continue to pray in silence)

❖Assurance of Pardon

Leader God declares the creation good. We are part of God's creation, and humbled that God calls on us to till and keep the earth.

People **Accepting God's forgiveness and love, we place our trust in God to show us the way.**

❖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

9Combined Children's Choir

I'm Gonna Sing/Swing Low Sweet Chariot/When the Saints Go Marching In

traditional African-American spirituals

Directors Allegra Martin, Champaign Presbyterian,
and Jennifer Immke, Urbana Presbyterian

9Time with the Children

9❖Hymn #272 *God of the Sparrow*

Offering of Gifts and Tithes

God Is Seen

arr. Alice Parker

Please complete Prayer Request Card

Hearing God's Word

Scripture *Psalms 148* (OT pg. 582)
Luke 24:13-35 (NT pg. 90)

Sermon *Beyond Past Tense Hope*

Pastor Eric Corbin

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

Hold bread until all have received; Take cup as served.

This Week

Sunday, April 30 Earth Care Sunday

- 8:00 AM Contemplative Worship/Sanctuary
- 9:00 AM Worship/Sanctuary
- 9:00 AM Contemporary Worship/Centennial Hall
- 10:30 AM C.S. Lewis Study/Centennial Hall
- 10:30 AM Genesis Study (French/Lingala)/Library
- 10:30 AM High School Sunday School/Room 205
- 12:00 PM Pastor Nominating Committee/Chapel

Monday, May 1

- 9:00 AM ESL Class/Room 204 & 207
- 11:00 AM GROW/Chapel
- 5:00 PM HR Meeting/Library
- 5:30 PM AA/Centennial Hall

Tuesday, May 2

- 7:00 AM Men's Breakfast Bible Study/Centennial Hall
- 9:00 AM ESL Class/Room 204 & 207
- 10:30 AM Staff Meeting/Parlor
- 12:00 PM Classic Book Study/2nd Floor Atkins Bldg.
- 1:30 PM SAFE House Class/Westminster Hall

Wednesday, May 3

- 9:00 AM ESL Class/Room 204 & 207
- 9:30 AM Women's Bible Study/Library at Windsor Court
- 10:00 AM Stephen Ministry Training/Parlor
- 6:00 PM Bell Choir/Bell Room
- 7:00 PM Contemporary Rehearsal/Centennial Hall
- 7:00 PM Sanctuary Choir/Choir Room

Thursday, May 4

- 7:00 AM Men's Breakfast/Hardees on South Neil
- 9:00 AM ESL Class/Room 204 & 207
- 12:00 PM Congregational Care Deacons/Westminster Hall
- 5:00 PM Sunday AM Planning/Westminster Hall
- 6:00 PM YoungLives/The Café

Friday, May 5

- 8:30 AM Men's Prayer/Chapel
- 6:00 PM Church Women United/Westminster Hall

Saturday, May 6

- 10:00 AM Music Sunday Rehearsal/Sanctuary
- 3:00 PM Worship Prep/Centennial Hall
- 6:00 PM Praise & Prayer/Centennial Hall

Worship

•Liturgist this morning is **Tanya Deckert** at the 8 AM service and **Miriam Chenault** at the 9 AM service.

•The Sanctuary flowers this morning are given by **Joanne and Larry Walther** in loving memory of their son, Matthew.

•**Spring Music Sunday** will be next Sunday, May 7, at both the 8 and 9:30 services (note time change). *Songs of Prayer and Praise* will feature a selection of sacred music from a wide variety of periods and styles. Included will be works by Handel, Fauré, and two movements from Mozart's *Missa Brevis* in D. The Sanctuary Choir will be accompanied by a string ensemble.

Connect

•**Peter Yau** has chosen for his next book study *Pilgrims Regress* by C. S. Lewis. This class will meet Sunday mornings at 10:30 AM in Centennial Hall. Come when you can as each week will be a chapter discussion. Books are available for \$10.

•The **Classic Book Group** will be starting a new book study, *The Friendship of Women*, on Tuesday, May 2. The group meets on Tuesday noons at the Atkins building. You are invited to join our group. Please contact **Ginny Waaler, Jeannie Snoeyink**, or the office if you are interested.

Serve

•We are looking for a **part-time CYF Assistant Director**. A complete job description can be found on our website.

•**DREAM House** needs snacks for the after-school programs currently operating Monday-Friday at Booker T. Washington STEM Academy and Franklin Middle School. Individually packaged snacks are preferred or gift cards to purchase fruit on a weekly basis. A donation box is located in Westminster Hall or leave in the church office. Thanks in advance!

•**Stephen Ministers** want to be of service. They train for over 50 hours in basic counseling and ministry as well as actively participate in their own Christian growth and effective sharing with others. If you would like to meet with a Stephen Minister, call **Linda Sandquist** or **Chuck Carlson** at 356-7238. If you are interested in training to be a Stephen Minister, we have a training class beginning May 3 to be held successive Wednesdays from 10-12 through September of 2017.

•**This morning we celebrate the world in which we live.** We want to keep our outdoors the natural beauty that God made and not the man-made trashy one. One way that will help is to stop using plastic bags! Our Environmental Stewardship Committee is helping to do this by providing reusable canvass bags to use and reuse. Not only are they functional, but they share information about our church including the fact that we are a designated Earth Care Congregation celebrating 150 years of caring! The bags will be available in Westminster Hall this morning. Suggested donation is \$3 or 2 for \$5.