

# 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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## FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF CHAMPAIGN

**June 4, 2017**  
**8 and 9 AM**

## 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 nametag for your child and a matching identification label to be used by the parent during pick up. Classes for Preschool-8<sup>th</sup> grade begin at 9 AM. All classes are held in the Christian Education Building. We may take the children across the street to West Side Park on nice days. Children will be served a snack in their class. Our Nursery and Toddler Rooms (birth – 2 years) are open from 8:45 – 11:30 AM each Sunday.

### Schedule

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| 8:50-9:00  | Students check-in   |
| 9:00-10:00 | Sunday School for Preschool – 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade                         |
| 10:00      | Parents pick up students in the Chapel in the Christian Education Building. |

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.



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

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nous avons des copies du sermon d'aujourd'hui en français  
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** Richard Rossi  
**Preparation for Worship – Tower Bell**  
**The Greeting and Announcements**  
**9Minute for Ministry – ESL** Debra Miller

## Drawing Near to God

**9Introit** *Spirit of the Living God* Daniel Iverson

### Call to Worship

**Leader** Lord, your Spirit hovered on the waters as you made the earth.

**People** **Your Spirit breathed life into human beings.**

**Leader** The Spirit inspired prophets to speak out against injustice;

**People** **The Spirit sang praises and laments with the psalmist.**

**Leader** When Jesus was baptized, we knew him through the descent of the Spirit.

**People** **When flames danced among the disciples on Pentecost, the church came into being.**

**Leader** Your Spirit guided the journeys of Peter and Paul;

**People** **The Spirit is still moving among us today, molding us into one body out of many.**

**All** **Let us worship and praise the work of the Holy Spirit!**

✧ **Hymn #319** *Spirit*

### ✧Prayer of Confession

Lord, your Spirit came upon people of many cultures and nations that first Pentecost Sunday. May your Spirit come upon us this Pentecost. Even as the bush that Moses gazed upon burned and was not consumed, burn in our hearts. Forgive our indifference to the nudge of your Spirit in our lives. Too often we refuse to allow you to use us for your work. Unite us in the bonds of community, that we may be the church for others, and not only for ourselves. May the communion we know in you inspire us to be faithful as the saints of the early church. Hear our silent prayers of confession...(continue to pray in silence)

### ✧Assurance of Pardon

**Leader** "There is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus.

**People** **For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has set you free from the law of sin and death.**

**Leader** But if Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness." (*Romans 8:1-11*)

**All** **"For in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith...For freedom Christ has set us free." (*Galatians 3:26; 5:1*)**

### ✧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

9✧ **Hymn #398** *There's a Sweet, Sweet Spirit*

### Offering of Gifts and Tithes

Richard Rossi

Please complete Prayer Request Card

## Hearing God's Word

**Scripture** *Numbers 11:24-30* (OT pg. 129)  
*Acts 2:1-21* (NT pg. 119)

**Sermon** *An Improbable Event*

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

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

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

### 8Minute for Ministry – ESL

Debra Miller

✧ **Hymn #2121** *O Holy Spirit, Root of Life* (from *Sing the Faith* hymnal)

### ✧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** *The Lord Bless You*

Hal Hopson

### ✧Postlude

Richard Rossi

✧Please stand if able

# This Week

## Sunday, June 4

- 8:00 AM Contemplative Worship/Sanctuary
- 9:00 AM Traditional Worship/Sanctuary
- 10:00 AM Sunday School Showcase/Westminster Hall
- 10:30 AM The Gathering/Centennial Hall
- 10:30 AM C.S. Lewis Study/Parlor
- 12:00 PM Pastor Nominating Committee/Chapel
- 12:00 PM Multicultural Meeting/Centennial Hall

## Monday, June 5

- 11:00 AM GROW/Chapel
- 1:30 PM SAFE House Class/Westminster Hall
- 5:00 PM HR Meeting/Library
- 5:30 PM AA/Centennial Hall

## Tuesday, June 6

- 7:00 AM Men's Breakfast Bible Study/Centennial Hall
- 9:00 AM ESL Class/Room 204
- 10:30 AM Staff Meeting/Parlor
- 12:00 PM Classic Book Study/2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Atkins Bldg.

## Wednesday, June 7

- 8:00 AM SEA Group/Parlor
- 9:00 AM ESL Class/Room 204
- 10:00 AM Stephen Ministry Training/Parlor
- 7:00 PM Contemporary Rehearsal/Centennial Hall
- 7:00 PM Sanctuary Choir/Choir Room

## Thursday, June 8

- 7:00 AM Men's Breakfast/Hardees on South Neil
- 7:30 AM Equippers/Parlor
- 9:00 AM ESL Class/Room 204
- 10:30 AM Membership Team/Parlor
- 11:30 AM Outreach Team/Parlor

## Friday, June 9 Church Office closes at noon

- 8:30 AM Men's Prayer/Chapel
- 6:00 PM Trulock Memorial/Sanctuary

## Saturday, June 10

- 3:00 PM Worship Prep/Centennial Hall
- 6:00 PM Praise & Prayer/Centennial Hall

**The church office will close at noon on Fridays throughout the summer.**

# Worship

•Liturgist this morning is **Lori Schaap** at the 8 AM service and **Kristi Carlson** at the 9 AM service.

•**The Pentecost Offering will be received this morning.** 40% of the proceeds will stay within our congregation. Three-fourths of that money will be for the DREAM House program and one-fourth will go toward Children Youth and Family Scholarships. The rest of the offering will be sent to PCUSA headquarters to be distributed to youth programs including Young Adult Volunteers, Ministries for Youth, and Children at Risk. Pentecost envelopes can be found in the pews or simply mark your check "Pentecost."

# Connect

•**Peter Yau's** study of *Pilgrims Regress* by C.S. Lewis continues Sunday mornings at 10:30 AM in the Parlor. Come when you can as each week will be a chapter discussion. Books are available for \$10.

•**Isak Griffiths**, Executive Director of Courage Connection will be the guest speaker at the Sunday, June 11, PW Gathering. Join the ladies that day at 1 PM for a potluck luncheon with salads and desserts.

•**Vacation Bible School is coming in July!** Children will explore God's plan at SonSpark Labs! They will learn that God's plan is to make them, be with them, for them to know him, to save them, and to love them forever. All of this is discovered through cool experiments, Bible stories, fun games, creative crafts, and yummy snacks. We need YOU to make it happen! SonSpark Labs will be in session July 2, 9, 16, 23, and 30 from 1-3:30 PM. The Vacation Bible School program is for children in preschool through completion of 6<sup>th</sup> grade. Contact [mindy@firstpres.church](mailto:mindy@firstpres.church) for more information.

# Serve

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

•**DREAM House** needs morning and afternoon snacks for 50 boys for their summer programs June 12 – July 12. Volunteer opportunities are also available at Booker T Washington School for the Summer Program. The project is in need of people to help with the Pre-K Summer Jumpstart program, one day per week from 8:30-10:30 AM June 19-July 14. Contact **Tracy Dace** at [tracy@dreamhouse.org](mailto:tracy@dreamhouse.org).