# 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. Pastors:

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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 infant or toddler in the Education Building. Our Nursery and Toddler Rooms (birth -2 years) are open from 8:45-11:30 AM each Sunday. There you will receive a nametag for your child and a matching identification label to be used by the parent during pick up. **Sunday School classes for other ages are not being held on Sunday mornings for the month of August.** Children are encouraged to attend worship with their parents.

#### **Schedule**

8:50-9:00 Children check-in
10:20-10:30
9:00-10:00 Child care for infants and toddlers
10:30-11:30
10:00 Parents pick up Infants and toddlers in the classroom in the Christian Education Building.
11:30

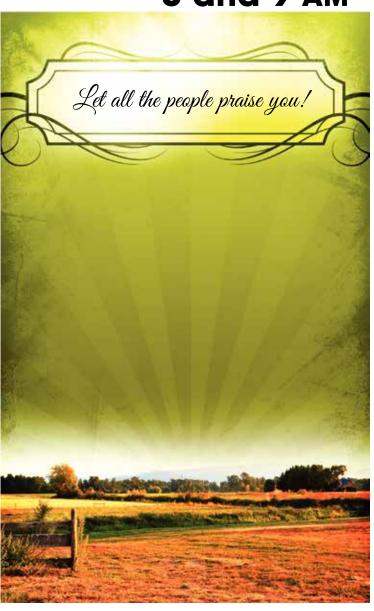
Contact our Director of Children, Youth, and Families, **Mindy Watts-Ellis** (mindy@firstpres.church) for more information about children and youth education and family events.

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# FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF CHAMPAIGN

# August 20, 2017 8 and 9 AM



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

샴페인 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.

Prelude Richard Rossi

Preparation for Worship - Tower Bell Greeting and Announcements

Call to Worship (from Psalm 67)

Leader Let the peoples praise you, O God;People Let all the peoples praise you.Leader Let the nations be glad and sing for joy.

People For you judge the peoples with equity and

guide the nations upon earth.

Leader Let the peoples praise you, O God;

People Let all the peoples praise you!

♦ Hymn 142 All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!

#### **♦Prayer of Confession**

We admit, Providing God, that we have difficulties living as your children. We could live in unity, but our words fracture relationships with family and friends. We have been shown the way to your kingdom, bur turn into blind guides when asked for the directions by others. When we could offer others the precious oil of peace, we hand them the vinegar of despair and rejection. Have mercy on us, Healing Heart, have mercy on us. When you call to us, may we listen with open ears, understand with embracing hearts, and share your grace with others, even as we have been graced by Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior...(continue to pray in silence)

#### **♦**Assurance of Pardon

Leader Hear the good news for you: God has provided hope for you, filling you with joy, with mercy, with

People As mercy leads to mercy, we will take these gifts to share with the world. Thanks be to God. Amen.

#### **♦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 #576 Gloria, Gloria

9**♦Hymn 358** Help Us Accept Each Other

Act of Friendship

9Children's Sermon

Offering of Gifts and Tithes

Richard Rossi

#### 9#592 Doxology; Prayer of Dedication

**Scripture** Psalm 67 (OT pg. 529)

**Anthem** Pie Jesus Gabriel Fauré

Alexis Kobe, soloist

**Scripture** *Matthew 15:21-28* (NT pg. 17)

Message Going to the Dogs Pastor Eric Corbin

Prayers of the People The Lord's Prayer

♦**Hymn** She Came to Jesus (Tune of Be Thou My Vision)

She came to Jesus from outside the fold — Canaanite woman! Persistent and bold! Looking to Jesus, she wanted to see One who would help her and set her child free.

Claiming a blessing, a touch of God's grace, She knew God's love was not bounded by place. Jesus, you listened, debated — then healed — For in her asking, her faith was revealed.

God, you still bless those who seek you in prayer. You welcome dreamers who faithfully dare. In Christ, now risen, your mercy extends: Those on the outside are welcomed as friends.

#### **♦Benediction**

#### **♦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.

**♦Postlude** Richard Rossi

<sup>♦</sup>Please stand if able.

# **This Week**

#### Sunday, August 20

8:00 AM Contemplative Worship/Sanctuary
9:00 AM Traditional Worship/Sanctuary
10:30 AM The Gathering/Centennial Hall
10:30 AM Summer Drop-In Study/Parlor

12:00 PM Pastor Nominating Committee/Library

#### Monday, August 21

9:00 AM ESL Classes/Room 204

1:00 PM GROW/Chapel

3:30 PM Environmental Team/Parlor

5:30 PM AA/Centennial Hall

#### Tuesday, August 22

7:00 AM Men's Breakfast/Centennial Hall

9:00 AM ESL Classes/Room 204 10:30 AM Staff Meeting/Parlor

6:30 PM Community Mission Deacons/Westminster Hall

#### Wednesday, August 23

9:00 AM ESL Classes/Room 204

10:00 AM Stephen Ministry Training/Parlor

#### Thursday, August 24

7:00 AM Men's Breakfast/Hardees on South Neil

9:00 AM ESL Classes/Room 204

5:30 PM Cuba Steering Committee/Parlor

#### Friday, August 25 Church Office closes at noon

8:30 AM Men's Prayer/Chapel

#### Saturday, August 26

3:00 PM Worship Prep/Centennial Hall

6:00 PM Praise & Prayer Gathering/Centennial Hall

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

# **Worship**

•Liturgist this morning is **Tom Ulen** at the 8 AM service and **Pat Metcalf** at the 9 AM service.

### Connect

- •Join us this morning from 10:30-11:30 AM in the Parlor for the next of our **Summer Drop-In Classes**. Today's topic is Conflict & Reconciliation: Where God Is at Work led by **Pat Metcalf**. No sign up is needed...materials provided each week.
- •Our church is blessed to have a **dedicated professional staff.** The bulletin board in Westminster Hall features most of the people who spend their week making sure that the church is running smoothly. You are encouraged to take a few minutes to check it out -- you might find some interesting "tidbits" you don't know about our staff. Also, when you encounter a member of our staff, be sure to give them a pat on the back and acknowledge a job well done.
- •Jesus is the Way Prison Ministry invites you to their 2017 fundraising banquet, Still Praising Strong, Friday, August 25, from 6-8 PM at the Round Barn Banquet Center. Seating is limited for adults only. Reservations may be made at 217.892.4044 or info@jesusisthewayprisonministries.org.
- •Gospel Jazz Fest, supporting men's and women's SAFE houses, August 27 from 3-7 PM in Hessel Park. The event will be in memory of Willie Summerville.
- •The next **electronics recycling event** will be held on Saturday, October 14, 2017 at Parkland College. Households attending the event must register online starting on September 5, 2017, at 8 AM CDT. Register online at: http://goo.gl/mwymyP

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 to reserve your seat!