

# 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 the following week; video is available at [www.firstpres.live](http://www.firstpres.live)

## Children, Youth & Families

Child care is provided for infants, toddlers, and preschool children in the Christian Education building directly across the alley during worship. Please check your children in with the attendants. There will be no Sunday School for Elementary, Middle School, or High School students concurrent with worship this summer. Children of these ages are encouraged to worship with their families. Activity boxes and books are provided for children who attend the service at the back of the sanctuary on the white shelves. Please return these items to the shelves when finished. For those needing to step out for a moment to console children and meet their needs, Westminster Hall, located directly below the Sanctuary, has a children's corner and a monitor showing the worship service. Restrooms with changing tables are located in the west hallway by Westminster Hall.

Vacation Bible School "Hero Central" will be offered July 8, 15, 22, and 29 from 1:30-4:30 PM in conjunction with the First United Methodist Church. Registration is online at <https://hc.cokesburyvbs.com/PresFUMC>. A suggested donation of \$10 per child will help support the program. If you wish to sponsor a child for VBS, a donation can be made to our church with VBS written in the memo line.

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

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## FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF CHAMPAIGN

**June 3, 2018**  
**2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**  
**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** Michael Schmidt  
**Preparation for Worship – Tower Bell**  
**The Greeting and Announcements**  
**Moment for Ministry – Hymnals** Joe Grant

## Drawing Near to God

9**Introit** *This Is the Day* Harold Flammer

### Call to Worship

One Praise be to God, who has brought us here this day.  
**Many Praise and thanks to God for all the blessings we have received.**  
One What joy we have in God's presence!  
**Many What peace is brought to us in God's house!**  
One This is truly the day that the Lord has made!  
**Many Let us rejoice and be glad in it!**

❖**Hymn 155** *Rejoice, the Lord Is King*

### ❖Call to Confession

One All too often, we tell God we will do better, and then just go on living the same way we always have. Let this be the moment when we tell our God of our failures and faithlessness, so we can go forth to work in that kingdom of grace and hope. Join me as we pray...

### ❖Prayer of Confession

**We would want to be fountains of hope for others, God of glory, but people find only hardened hearts. We would like to be transformed people, but our stubborn pride prevents us from bending a knee to you. We long to stand with those who are in need, but our selfishness keeps our backs rigid in judgment. Forgive us, God who came down to us. Humble us, that we might be true servants to the broken and lost. Split open our frozen hearts, that compassion might flow freely to those who are hurting. Fill our minds with the presence of your Spirit, that we might learn how to follow Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior, into that kingdom of grace and hope...**  
(continue to pray in silence.)

### ❖Assurance of Pardon

One This is the good news: in Christ, God's plan for salvation was accomplished. You are forgiven, you are made new.  
**Many We will complete God's joy, by sharing compassion, forgiveness, and hope with everyone we meet. 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 #579 *Glory Be To the Father*

### Act of Friendship

## 9Children's Sermon

## 9Commissioning Members and Friends for Service Mission Possible

## Offering of Gifts and Tithes

*Let Us Break Bread Together* arr. Craig Carnahan  
Please complete Prayer Request Card

## Hearing God's Word

### Prayer for Illumination

### A Reading from the Epistles *Philippians 4:4-9* (NT pg. 198)

One The Word of God for the People of God.

**Many Thanks be to God!**

### Sermon *Rejoice! Again I Say Rejoice!*

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

### Celebration of the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper Invitation

#### Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

#### *The Lord's Prayer*

**Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.**

### Words of Institution

### Sharing the Meal

### Closing Prayer

## 8Commissioning Members and Friends for Service Mission Possible

❖**Hymn 145** *Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart!*

### ❖Benediction

❖**9Choral Benediction** *Blessing*

Robert A. Boyd

### ❖Postlude

Michael Schmidt

❖Please stand if able

# This Week

## Sunday, June 3 Go & Serve to Ferncliff, Little Rock, AR

- 8:00 AM Contemplative Worship/Sanctuary
- 9:00 AM Traditional Worship/Sanctuary
- 10:05 AM Session Meeting/Library
- 10:10 AM Feasting on the Word Study/Parlor
- 10:10 AM Feasting on the Word (French)/Room 204
- 11:00 AM The Gathering/Centennial Hall
- 12:00 PM Praise & Prayer Choir Rehearsal/Centennial Hall
- 2:00 PM French Young Adult Group/Chapel

## Monday, June 4

- 12:00 PM Prayer Circles (French)/Various Homes
- 1:00 PM GROW/Chapel
- 4:00 PM HR Meeting/Library
- 5:00 PM Prayer Circles(French)/Various Homes
- 5:30 PM AA/Centennial Hall

## Tuesday, June 5

- 7:00 AM Men's Breakfast/Centennial Hall
- 10:30 AM Staff Meeting/Parlor
- 12:00 PM Classic Book Study/John Deere Bldg Conference Rm
- 12:00 PM Prayer Circles(French)/Various Homes
- 5:00 PM Prayer Circles(French)/Various Homes

## Wednesday, June 6

- 12:00 AM Organist Search Team/The Café
- 12:00 PM Prayer Circles (French)/Various Homes
- 5:00 PM Prayer Circles(French)/Various Homes
- 5:00 PM Covenant Study/Centennial Hall

## Thursday, June 7 Mission Possible to Kemmerer Village

- 7:30 AM Men's Breakfast/Library
- 12:00 PM Congregational Care Deacons/Westminster Hall
- 12:00 PM Prayer Circles (French)/Various Homes

## Friday, June 8 Church Office closes at 12 noon

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

## Saturday, June 9

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

**The church office will close at 12 noon on Fridays throughout the summer.**

# Worship

•Liturgist this morning is **Dick Coddington** at the 8 AM service and **Kurt Ruthmansdorfer** at the 9 AM service.

•**This morning's sermon** is available online on Monday or printed copies can be found in the kiosks next Sunday.

•**2018 Mission Possible Participants** include: **Dave and Mary Lou Bauer, Don Everly, Bill Gamble, Thomas Green, Steve and Mary Gritten, Paul Huang, Sallie Hutton, Itch and Sue Jones, Katharine Jones, Byron Kemper, Rachel Matthews, Dave McNattin, Carol Miles, Gene Morgan, Paul Schaap, Mark and Kathy Schoeffmann and Dale Tutje.**

# 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 **Linda Peterson** from the Membership Team (membership@firstpres.church) or call the church office.

•**Feasting on the Word**, adult Spiritual Formation drop-in class, meets each Sunday at 10:10 in the Parlor. Bring your coffee and join us! More information? Contact **Judi Geistlinger** 217-493-5462 or judgeistlinger@outlook.com

•**Matt & Rachel Matthews** invite you to attend with them *The Better Angels Conference/Using the Power of Community to Change the World*, October 8-11, at the Montreat Conference Center, Montreat, NC. See the following link for more info <http://www.montreat.org/better-angels/>

# Serve

•The **Illini Chabad** (*The Chabad Center for Jewish Life serving the University of Illinois and CU communities*) is looking for an Administrative Assistant. Visit <http://www.jewishillini.org> for more information.

•**Kemmerer Village** requests curtains and valances for the staff building Mission Possible is remodeling. The plan is to make them in C-U. If you wish to help, please contact **Judy Gamble...** 217-384-0461 and leave a message.