

# 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

### 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.

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.

# July 15, 2018

## 8<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

### 15<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

## 8 & 9 AM



**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

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# Service for the Lord's Day

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

We invite you to come to the Welcome Center in Westminster Hall (the room just below the Sanctuary) to learn more about First Presbyterian Church.

**Prelude** Karen Dohme  
**Preparation for Worship – Tower Bell**  
**Greeting & Announcements**  
**Minute for Mission – Raindrop Project** Ann Stout

**9Introit** *Praise Ye the Lord, O My Soul* Richard Rossi

## ♦Call to Worship

One Light looked down and saw darkness.  
**Many** **"I will go there," said Light.**  
One Peace looked down and saw war.  
**Many** **"I will go there," said Peace.**  
One Love looked down and saw hatred.  
**Many** **"I will go there," said Love.**  
One So he, the Lord of Light, the Prince of Peace, the  
King of Love, came down and crept in beside us.  
**Many** **Hallelujah!**  
One Praise the Lord!  
**Many** **The Lord's name be praised.**

♦**Hymn 482** *Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty*

## ♦Call to Confession (1 John 1:8-9)

One If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and  
the truth is not in us.  
**Many** **If we confess our sins, he who is faithful and  
just will forgive us our sins and cleanse us  
from all unrighteousness.**  
One In confidence of God's enduring love and  
forgiveness let us confess our sins to God.

## ♦Prayer of Confession (from *Feasting on the Word*)

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, you are the God of glory. We  
confess that we often forget that your holiness is  
dangerous. We take our impurities for granted,  
make excuses for the sins we commit, and expect  
you to overlook the harm we cause while still  
demanding justice from others. We do not deserve  
your mercy. Forgive us, and return us to a right  
relationship with you for the sake of your Son, Jesus  
Christ. You made us for the purpose of praising you;  
enliven us with the Holy Spirit so that we can fulfill  
our calling in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.  
Amen.**

## ♦Assurance of Pardon (from *Feasting on the Word*)

One Hear and believe this good news: Jesus, the Christ,  
son of Mary, Son of the Most High God, was  
broken and poured out for our salvation.  
**Many** **In Jesus Christ our sins are forgiven. Amen.**

## ♦Passing of the Peace

One The peace of Christ be with you.  
**Many** **And also with you.**  
One Please greet one another in the peace of Christ.  
Response #576 *Gloria, Gloria*

9♦**Hymn 370** *Just As I Am*

## Act of Friendship

## 9Children's Time

## Offering of Gifts and Tithes

Karen Dohme

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

## Prayer for Illumination

*As a Child Rests in its Mother's Arms (from the Glory to God hymnal)*

**As a child rests in its mother's arms, so will I rest in you.**

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## A Reading from the Gospel Lesson

*Mark 6:14-29 (NT pg. 40)*

**9Anthem** *Deep River* arr. Linda Spevacek

**Message** *Promises, Promises*  
Matt Matthews

**9Call to Prayer** *The Lord Opens the Eyes of the Blind*  
Richard Rossi

## Prayers for Ourselves and Others

*The Lord's Prayer*

♦**Hymn 302** *I Danced in the Morning*

## ♦Benediction

## ♦Congregational Choral Benediction

**The Spirit sends us forth to serve to scatter joy like seed  
And all our days to cherish life to do the loving deed.  
Then let us go to serve in peace, the gospel to proclaim.  
God's Spirit has empowered us; we go in Jesus' name.**

♦**Postlude** Karen Dohme  
(If you wish to be seated for the postlude, you may.)

♦Please stand if able.

The **Call to Worship** today is adapted by John Bell, the Iona  
Community. The **Prayer of Confession** is found in *Feasting on  
the Word/Worship Companion*, year B, vol. 2.

# This Week

## Sunday, July 15

- 8:00 AM Contemplative Worship/Sanctuary
- 9:00 AM Traditional Worship/Sanctuary
- 10:00 AM Reception for Chris Penny/Westminster Hall
- 10:10 AM Feasting on the Word/Parlor
- 11:00 AM The Gathering/Centennial Hall
- 12:00 PM Praise & Prayer Choir Rehearsal/Centennial Hall
- 1:30 PM Vacation Bible School/CE Building
- 2:00 PM French Young Adult Group/Chapel
- 6:00 PM Young Lives Overnight/The Café

## Monday, July 16

- 9:00 AM ESL Classes/Rms. 204-207, The Café
- 9:00 AM SAFE House Class/Chapel
- 12:00 PM Prayer Circles (French)/Various Homes
- 1:00 PM GROW/Chapel
- 3:30 PM Environmental Team/Parlor
- 5:00 PM Prayer Circles(French)/Various Homes
- 5:30 PM AA/Centennial Hall

## Tuesday, July 17

- 7:00 AM Men's Breakfast/Centennial Hall
- 9:00 AM ESL Classes/Rms. 204-207, The Café
- 10:30 AM Staff Meeting/Parlor
- 12:00 PM Prayer Circles(French)/Various Homes
- 5:00 PM Prayer Circles(French)/Various Homes
- 5:30 PM Family Game Night/The Café

## Wednesday, July 18

- 9:00 AM ESL Classes/Rms. 204-207, The Café
- 12:00 PM Prayer Circles (French)/Various Homes
- 5:00 PM Prayer Circles(French)/Various Homes
- 6:00 PM Covenant Bible Study/Centennial Hall

## Thursday, July 19

- 7:30 AM Men's Breakfast/Library
- 9:00 AM ESL Classes/Rms. 204-207, The Café
- 11:15 AM ESL Informational Meeting/The Café
- 12:00 PM Prayer Circles (French)/Various Homes
- 5:00 PM Prayer Circles(French)/Various Homes
- 6:30 PM Session Education/Westminster Hall
- 7:00 PM Session/Westminster Hall

## Friday, July 20 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, July 21

- 8:15 AM Adopt A Highway/CE Building Entry
- 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 **Mike Havey** at the 8 AM service and **Kathy Kinzer** 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.

# 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 AM in the Parlor. Bring your coffee and join us! More information? Contact **Judi Geistlinger** 217-493-5462 or judgeistlinger@outlook.com.
- Spiritual Formation team is piloting an **8-week summer study** on Wednesday evenings. We invite you to join us each Wednesday at 5:45 for dinner (RSVP to **Claudia Kirby** claudia.a.kirby@gmail.com) followed by the study at 6:30. Materials cost \$30. Scholarships are available.
- Don't miss *Hero Central* this July! **Vacation Bible School** is July 8, 15, 22, & 29 from 1:30-4:30 PM. This action-packed series teaches that real heroes have heart, wisdom, hope, and power that comes from the Holy Spirit! Children age 4 in preschool through children who just completed 5<sup>th</sup> grade are encouraged to attend. A \$10 donation per child is requested at the time of registration. Register online at <https://hc.cokesburyvbs.com/PresFUMC>. Contact **Mindy** at mindy@firstpres.church to volunteer or sponsor a child.
- Facilities Manager **Chris Penny** (a familiar face Sunday mornings) has submitted his resignation. He will be leaving us after ten years as part of our staff. Join us for a **reception this morning** immediately after the 9 AM Worship to say goodbye and wish Chris well!
- Game Night** is a new way for all ages to enjoy an evening of fun and fellowship at the church. This family-friendly event is hosted by **Brandi and Jason Lowe**, who share a variety of board games or card games for children and adults. Our next Game Night is Tuesday, July 17, from 6:30 to 8:30 PM in the Café and will feature card games like Euchre, Uno, Hearts, and Spades.

**On Sunday, July 29 we will have ONE service combining all three Sunday services at 9 AM. This special service will feature music from our traditional and contemporary services. A fellowship hour will be held in Westminster Hall following the service.**