

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 your pew mates and 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

Children, Youth & Families

Please sign your child in at the Welcome Center in Westminster Hall. There you will receive a name tag for your child(ren) and a matching identification label to be used by the parent or guardian at pick up. Children who wish to attend Sunday School will meet their teachers at the baptismal font following worship. The teachers will lead the children to their classrooms in the Education Building across the alley. Our child care rooms for children 4 years and under are open from 8:45 AM-12:15 PM each Sunday. The Christian Education hour is 10:15-11:05 AM. Pick up children in the Education Building from their classrooms. Nursery through Kindergarten children are located on the first floor. First grade through High School classes are located on the second floor.

Schedule

- 8:45-9:00 Children check-in at the Welcome Center and gather in the children's corner
- 9:00-10:00 Children attend traditional worship with family or pew partners
- 10:00-10:15 Children follow their teachers to classrooms for fellowship and snack
- 10:15-11:05 Educational lessons in the classrooms
- 11:05 Children dismissed to parents
- 11:00-11:30 Children's Choir rehearsal in the chapel (starting 9/23)
- 11:15-12:15 Children attend The Gathering worship with family

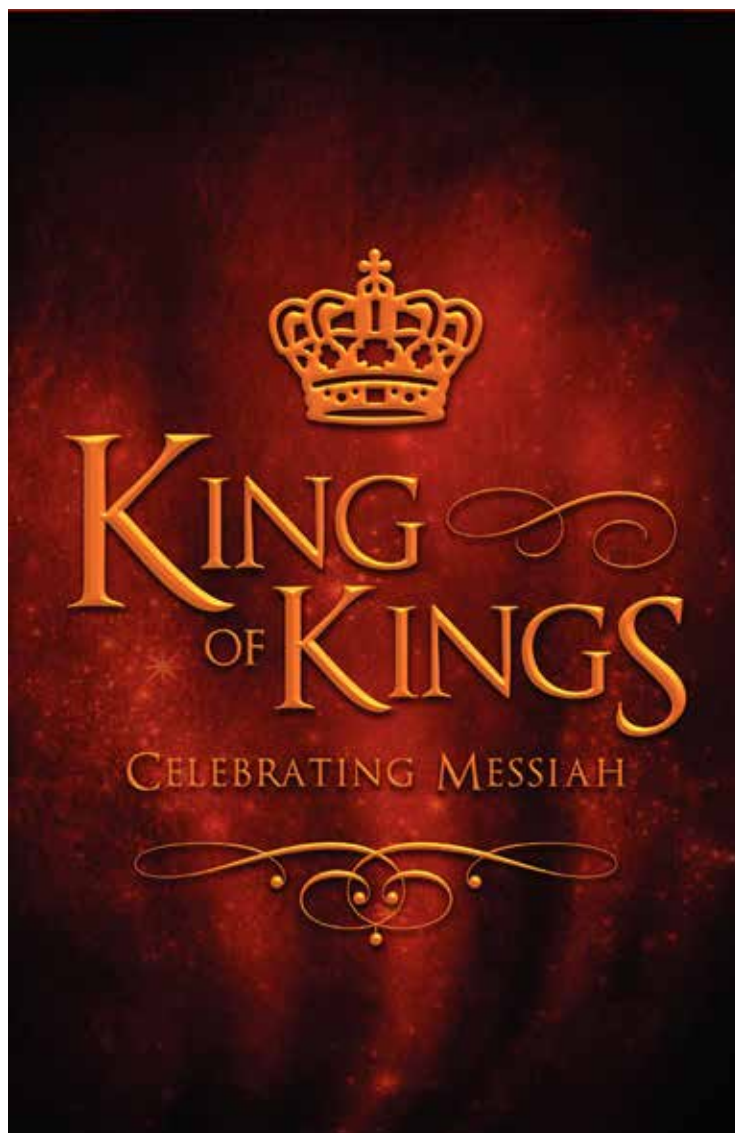
Contact our Director of Children, Youth, and Family Ministries, **Mindy Watts-Ellis** (mindy@firstpres.church) for more information.

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FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF CHAMPAIGN

November 25, 2018
Christ the King/Reign of Christ
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.

We'd love to connect with you this morning. Fill out the Friendship Pad when passed, then stop by our Welcome Center after the service to receive a small gift. Enjoy some coffee, meet new people, and learn how our church can become your home.

Prelude

Pierre Tang

Preparation for Worship – Tower Bell

Greeting & Announcements

9Introit *Praise to the Lord the Almighty*

arr. Paul Sjölund

♦Call to Worship

One This is the day that the Lord has made;

Many Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

One Praise the Lord!

Many The Lord's name be praised.

♦Hymn 2 *Come, Thou Almighty King*

♦Call to Confession (from 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

**Holy God, forgive us for the things we have done
which we should not have done. Forgive us for the
things we did not do which we should have done. Lift
from us the burden of our sin and fill us with resolve
to spread your love with joy We ask this in Christ's
holy name. AMEN.**

♦Assurance of Pardon

One The proof of God's amazing love is this: While we
were yet sinners,

**Many Christ died for us,
Christ rose for us,
Christ reigns in power for us,
Christ prays for us.**

One The old life is gone;

Many The new life has begun.

One Believe the Gospel and be at peace:

**Many In Jesus Christ our sins are forgiven.
Alleluia!**

♦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 #583 *Gloria, Gloria*

9♦Hymn 658 *God Is So Good*

Act of Friendship (Learn the names of your pew mates.)

Please complete Prayer Request Card.

9Children's Sermon

Offering of Gifts and Tithes

Pierre Tang

9Prayer of Dedication; Alleluia #586

Prayer for Illumination

A Reading from the Old Testament

Selections from *Ruth*

One This is the Word of the LORD.

Many Thanks be to God.

9Anthem *Praise the Lord*

G.F. Handel

Message *Second Chances*

Jeannie Murray

Affirmation of Faith *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 Ghost,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried;
he descended into hell;
the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and sitteth on the right hand
of God, the Father Almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the
dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Ghost;
the holy catholic church;
the communion of saints;
the forgiveness of sins;
the resurrection of the body;
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

9Call to Prayer *Your Will Be Done*

Paul Sjölund

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Concern

The Lord's Prayer (Hymnal pg. 35)

♦Hymn 36 *For the Fruit of All Creation*

♦Benediction

One Now, therefore, fear the LORD and serve Him in
sincerity and truth. Put away other gods. Choose
for yourselves today whom you will serve. As for
me and my house,

Many We will serve the LORD.

♦Congregational Choral Benediction

Go With Us, Lord #748

**Go with us, Lord, and guide the way
Through this and every coming day,
That in your Spirit strong and true
Our lives may be our gift to you.**

♦Postlude

Pierre Tang

(If you wish to be seated for the postlude, you may.)

♦Please stand if able.

This Week

Sunday, November 25

- 8:00 AM Contemplative Worship/Sanctuary
- 9:00 AM Traditional Worship/Sanctuary
- 10:00 AM Easy English/Room 204
- 10:15 AM Adult Education/Parlor Living Room
- 11:15 AM The Gathering/Centennial Hall
- 2:00 PM French Young Adult Group/Chapel
- 3:00 PM Praise & Prayer Choir Rehearsal/Centennial Hall

Monday, November 26

- 9:00 AM DREAAM Youth Center/Centennial Hall
- 9:00 AM ESL Classes/Room 204-207; Café
- 11:15 AM ESL Advisory Committee/Café
- 1:00 PM GROW/Chapel
- 1:00-8:00 PM Pictorial Directory Photos/Westminster Hall
- 5:30 PM AA/Centennial Hall

Tuesday, November 27

- 7:00 AM Men's Breakfast/Centennial Hall
- 9:00 AM DREAAM Youth Center/Centennial Hall
- 9:00 AM ESL Classes/Room 204-207; Café
- 9:00 AM PWV Coordinating Team/Parlor
- 10:30 AM Staff Meeting/Chapel
- 12:00 PM Classic Book Study/U of I Atkins Bldg.
- 1:00-8:00 PM Pictorial Directory Photos/Westminster Hall
- 6:30 PM Community Mission Deacons/Parlor
- 7:00 PM Trivia Planning/Café

Wednesday, November 28

- 8:00 AM PNC/Parlor
- 9:00 AM DREAAM Youth Center/Centennial Hall
- 9:00 AM ESL Classes/Room 204-207; Café
- 10:00 AM PEB Study/Parlor
- 1:00-8:00 PM Pictorial Directory Photos/Westminster Hall
- 6:00 PM Bell Choir/Bell Choir Room
- 7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal/Choir Room

Thursday, November 29

- 9:00 AM DREAAM Youth Center/Centennial Hall
- 9:00 AM ESL Classes/Room 204-207; Café
- 9:00 AM Circle of Joy/Baytowne
- 11:00 AM Compassion, Peace, Justice/Library
- 1:00 PM Circle of Faith/Parlor
- 1:00-8:00 PM Pictorial Directory Photos/Westminster Hall
- 7:00 PM Circle of Peace/Parlor

Friday, November 30

- 9:00 AM DREAAM Youth Center/Centennial Hall
- 11:30 AM Moving Through Grief/Chapel
- 1:00-8:00 PM Pictorial Directory Photos/Westminster Hall

Saturday, December 1

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

Music Sunday

This year we have planned a special Music Sunday. Our Sanctuary Choir will combine forces with a chamber orchestra and the choir from First Presbyterian Urbana to feature *In Terra Pax* (On Earth, Peace) by Gerald Finzi. The service of Christmas music will be performed at our church at 9 AM on Sunday, December 16. There will be NO 8 AM service that day. The same music will be presented at Urbana the previous week, December 9. Make plans now to be part of this special Christmas season service.

Worship

•Liturgists this morning are **Jim Berger** at the 8 AM service and **Bob Kirby** at the 9 AM service. Want to serve? Contact **Judi Geistlinger** at judgeistlinger@outlook.com.

•We welcome children of all ages to worship and we are so glad they are here to learn and grow in the faith. The CYF committee has provided green pew cards with tips on the back for guiding children in worship. If you are interested in serving as a pew partner, an adult who will help sit beside and guide unaccompanied children through worship, please contact **Mindy Watts-Ellis** (mindy@firstpres.church).

•This morning's sermon is available online this next week 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.

•It's time for a **new pictorial directory** for our church. There is no cost to you or the church to have your photographs taken professionally. You will receive a complimentary 8x10 color portrait. **Our photography dates are:** Monday-Friday, November 26-30, from 1-8 PM; Tuesday-Wednesday, December 4-5 from 1-8 PM (if needed). You may sign up at the Welcome Center on Sundays or at firstpres.church/directory. If you are out of town during the photography sessions, Life Touch can let you know of places in your area to be photographed to be included in the directory. Please contact them at 866.756.0281.

Serve

•**YoungLives** is a worldwide, nondenominational Christian outreach ministry to teen moms and their children. Mentors share the love of Christ with teen moms as they try to navigate the ups and downs of adolescence while also raising a child. YoungLives teen moms, their children and mentors meet in Centennial Hall every other Thursday at 6 PM. They begin each meeting with a meal so moms and mentors can catch up and get to know each other better. Please consider providing dinner, beverages and paper products for 30 on December 6, February 7 or April 4. Please be in touch with Pastor Matt (matt@firstpres.church or 864.386.9138.) Thanks.

Congregational Meeting Sunday, December 2 following 9 AM service

The meeting will be to receive and act on the report of the Congregational Nominating Committee.

**2019 pledge total to date is \$727,666
with 171 responding.**