

**The Meal is Shared
We Close in Prayer**

Pierre Tang

❖ **Hymn 37** *Let All Things Now Living*

❖ **Benediction**

❖ **Congregational Benediction**

Go With Us, Lord #748 (see screen)

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

8 *O Worship the King* arr. Patricia Sanders Cota

Upper Room Ringers

9 Pierre Tang

❖ Please stand if able

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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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.



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF CHAMPAIGN

November 4, 2018

24th Sunday after Pentecost

31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

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 8 Pierre Tang
9 *O Worship the King* arr. Patricia Sanders Cota
Upper Room Ringers

Preparation for Worship – Tower Bell Greeting

Drawing Near to God

9**Introit** *The Lord Is In His Holy Temple* Ann Ker

Call to Worship

One God is our refuge and strength,
always ready to help in times of trouble.
**Many So we will not fear, even if earthquakes come,
and the mountains crumble into the sea.**
One Let the oceans roar and foam.
Let the mountains tremble as the waters surge!
**Many The Lord Almighty is here among us;
the God of Israel is our fortress.**

❖**Hymn 769** *For Everyone Born*

❖Call to Confession

One Let us confess our sins to God,
Many From whom our help comes...

❖Prayer of Confession

Holy God,
you know us better than we know ourselves.
You see our need when we are blind to it.
You have made us to be yours.
In your compassion,
forgive us for our lack of faith
and the harm we do to others and to your earth.
Forgive us for turning away from your will,
for ignoring the cries of our neighbors,
for failing to listen to what is most nourishing even
for ourselves.
Let our faults fall from your eyes as you open ours.
Hear our prayer
and forgive our sin.
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

Leader The peace of Christ be with you.
People And also with you.
Leader Please greet one another in the peace of Christ.
Response #583 *Gloria, Gloria*

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

9**Children's Sermon**

Dedication of our Pledge Cards

Offering of Gifts and Tithes Please complete Prayer Request Card
To This Table Marc Robinson
Upper Room Ringers
9 **Doxology #606, Prayer of Dedication**

Hearing God's Word

Prayer for Illumination *Lord, Prepare Me #701* (see screen)

A Reading from the Old Testament Lesson

Ruth 1:6-9a, 16-18 (OT pg. 241)

One This is the Word of the Lord.

Many Thanks be to God!

Sermon *Ruth, Naomi, and All Our Holy Friendships*
Matt Matthews

A Litany of Remembrance

One Since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of
witnesses,
**Many Let us run with perseverance the race that is
set before us,**
One Giving thanks for those whose faith and example
have revealed your presence.

Celebrating Those Who Have Entered the Church Triumphant

Ralph Allen	Raymond Bashore
Stanley Bush	Donald Dodds
Mary Ruth Garza	Evelyn Harness
Sharon Rapp Harshbarger	Rosanne Koehler
Donna Kuhlman	Lois "Toddie" McCulley
Paul Mortensen	Bob Nutt
Helen Parro	Tom Phillips
Carol Trulock	Emily Watts
Warren Wessels	

Prayer of Remembrance

Gracious God, as we remember with thanksgiving
those whose lives have enriched our own, point
us to life everlasting. Remind us that, as we grieve,
we do so not as those without hope because you are
the Lord of this life and the life to come. We give
you thanks that our departed loved ones remain
not only in our memories, but now live triumphantly
in Your Kingdom where we one day will be reunited
with them, when your kingdom comes in fullness.
We pray in the name of our Lord, Jesus Christ. Amen.

9Commissioning Members and Friends for Service

Don Eberly	Sallie Hutton
Sabrina Hwu	Rachel Matthews

Responding to God's Word

Celebration of the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

We are Invited
We give Thanks
The Lord's Prayer (see screen)
The Meal is Set

This Week

Sunday, November 4

- 8:00 AM Contemplative Worship/Sanctuary
- 9:00 AM Traditional Worship/Sanctuary
- 10:00 AM Easy English/Room 204
- 10:15 AM Sunday School/CE Building
- 10:15 AM Adult Education/Parlor Living Room
- 11:00 AM Children's Choir/Chapel
- 11:15 AM The Gathering/Centennial Hall
- 12:00 PM New Americans & Session Mtg/Parlor
- 2:00 PM French Young Adult Group/Chapel
- 3:00 PM Praise & Prayer Choir Rehearsal/Centennial Hall
- 5:30 PM Youth Group/Café

Monday, November 5

- 9:00 AM DREAAM Youth Center/Centennial Hall
- 9:00 AM ESL Classes/Rooms 204-207, Café
- 1:00 PM GROW/Chapel
- 4:00 PM HR Meeting/Library
- 5:30 PM AA/Centennial Hall

Tuesday, November 6

- 7:00 AM Men's Breakfast/Centennial Hall
- 9:00 AM DREAAM Youth Center/Centennial Hall
- 9:00 AM ESL Classes/Rooms 204-207, Café
- 10:30 AM Staff Meeting/Parlor
- 12:00 PM CYF Mtg/Chapel
- 12:00 PM Classic Book Study/U of I Atkins Bldg.
- 6:30 PM Cuba Study/Matthews' Home

Wednesday, November 7

- 9:00 AM DREAAM Youth Center/Centennial Hall
- 9:00 AM ESL Classes/Rooms 204-207, Café
- 4:30 PM Finance Team/Library
- 5:30 PM Covenant Bible Study/Westminster Hall
- 6:00 PM Bell Choir Rehearsal/Bell Room
- 7:00 PM Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal/Choir Room

Thursday, November 8

- 7:30 AM Men's Breakfast/Library
- 9:00 AM DREAAM Youth Center/Centennial Hall
- 9:00 AM ESL Classes/Rooms 204-207, Café
- 9:00 AM Women's Bible Study/Parlor
- 10:30 AM Membership Team/Parlor
- 11:00 AM Compassion, Peace & Justice/Library
- 11:30 AM Outreach Team/Parlor
- 5:30 PM Courageous Conversations/Parlor

Friday, November 9

- 8:30 AM Men's Prayer/Chapel
- 9:00 AM DREAAM Youth Center/Centennial Hall

Saturday, November 10

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

Worship

•Liturgists this morning are **Sandy Carr** at the 8 AM service and **Tim Young** 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 that will help sit beside and guide unaccompanied children through worship, please contact **Mindy Watts-Ellis** (mindy@firstpres.church).

•At this morning's 9 AM service, we commission our group traveling this next week to **Pakistan** to continue the "Party with a Purpose" 20th anniversary. It has been 20 years since the Pakistan government has returned the schools which were started by Presbyterian missionaries in the 1800s. Presbyterian Education Board - Pakistan is educating girls (and boys) both Muslim and Christian with the focus of building a more peaceful and understanding world. We are going to show our support, strengthen our relationship with them and give them encouragement for what they are doing. We go to represent YOU.

•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.

•All **high school youth** are invited to join our **youth group** for weekly activities and bible study. We meet every Sunday from 5:30-7 PM in the education building. For questions or more information contact **Lizz Pippin** at lizz@firstpres.church.

•Coming soon! **A new church directory**. This will be a great tool for helping us put names with faces and connecting our families to one another. We have invited Lifetouch Church Directories and Portraits to photograph you November 26-30. Watch for more information on scheduling your appointment. We look forward to seeing all of you in our new directory.

Serve

•The **Nominating Committee** is now seeking names for 2019 Church Officers for Elders, Deacons and the Nominating Committee. Forms to nominate someone you know or even yourself can be found in the kiosks around the church, the Welcome Center and online.

•**J Herbert Nelson**, Stated Clerk of the denomination will be here for the Presbytery meeting on Thursday, November 15, and again Friday, November 16 from 9 AM-1 PM for an open-to-the-public *Transformation Efforts in our Community*. We need volunteers for Thursday plus your input and presence on Friday! Contact **Judi Geistlinger** for more information: judgeistlinger@outlook.com