

and to live holy and joyful lives,
even as we watch for God's new heaven and new
earth,
praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!"

With believers in every time and place,
we rejoice that nothing in life or in death
can separate us from the love of God in Christ
Jesus our Lord.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the
Holy Spirit. Amen.

9Call to Prayer *Bow Down Your Ear, O Lord* Fatyeff/Hopson

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Concern
The Lord's Prayer (Hymnal pg. 35)

✳️Hymn #547 *Go, My Children, With My Blessing*

✳️Charge and Benediction

What does the Lord require of us?

**To seek justice, love kindness, and walk humbly
with our God.** (*Micah 6:8*)

May God help us live this high calling faithfully, as we strive to
be good stewards of all our gifts.

Thanks be to God. Use us, God.

God has richly blessed us to be a blessing to the world in
Christ's name.

Thanks be to God! Guide our steps.

✳️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.

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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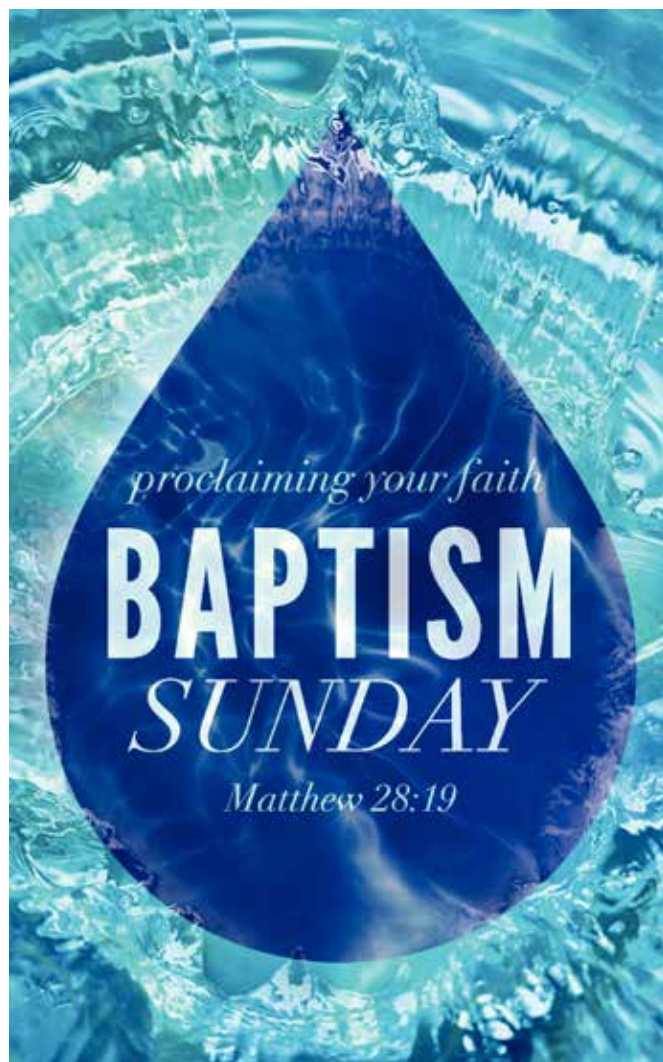
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January 13, 2019
Baptism of the Lord
8 and 9 AM



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

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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 *O Sing Unto the Lord*

Hassler/Hopson

*Call to Worship

Do not fear, for I have redeemed you, says the Lord.
I have called you by name, you are mine.

Hallelujah!

This is the day the Lord has made.

Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

*Hymn #488 *I Was There To Hear Your Borning Cry*

*Call to Confession (from *Feasting on the Word*)

God loves us and calls us each by name.
Knowing we are eternally forgiven and infinitely loved,
let us boldly confess our sins before God.

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

**We are precious in your sight,
yet we often forget that we are your beloved.
We confess that our love is fickle and inconstant.
We follow selfish goals
and deny that our way of life harms others and
hurts your world.
We are sorry and we want to change.
Create in us a clean heart,
strengthen our resolve,
reconcile us one to another,
and bless us with your peace. Amen.**

*Assurance of Pardon

Friends, believe the gospel and be at peace.
Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation
The old life has gone; a new life has begun.
Know that by God's grace in Jesus Christ we are forgiven.
Thanks be to God.

*Passing of the Peace

The peace of Christ be with you.
And also with you.
(Please greet one another in the peace of Christ.)
Response 586 *Alleluia*
**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

9*Hymn #482 *Baptized in Water*

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

Please complete Prayer Request Card.

9Children's Time

Offering of Gifts and Tithes

Pierre Tang

9Sung Response *All Creatures of Our God and King* #15
(Lyrics adapted)

**All creatures of our God and King,
Lift up your voice and with us sing: Alleluia, Alleluia.
Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son,
And praise the Spirit, Three in One!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

9Prayer of Dedication

Prayer for Illumination 288 *Spirit of the Living God*

**Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.
Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.
Melt me; mold me; fill me; use me.
Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.**

A Reading from the Old Testament

Isaiah 43:1-7 (OT pg. 672)

9Anthem *Praise, My Soul, the God of Heaven*

John Goss; arr. C. Jennings

A Reading from the Gospels

Luke 3:15-17, 21-22 (NT pg. 60)

This is the Word of the LORD.

Thanks be to God.

Message *Your Borning Cry*

Pastor Matt Matthews

Affirmation of Faith

**In life and in death we belong to God.
Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit,
we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of
Israel,
whom alone we worship and serve.**

**We trust in God the Holy Spirit,
everywhere the giver and renewer of life.
The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith,
sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God
and neighbor,
and binds us together with all believers
in the one body of Christ, the Church.
The same Spirit
who inspired the prophets and apostles
rules our faith and life in Christ through
Scripture,
engages us through the Word proclaimed,
claims us in the waters of baptism,
feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of
salvation,
and calls women and men to all ministries of the
Church.**

**In a broken and fearful world
the Spirit gives us courage
to pray without ceasing,
to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord
and Savior,
to unmask idolatries in Church and culture,
to hear the voices of peoples long silenced,
and to work with others for justice, freedom, and
peace.
In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit,
we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks**

This Week

Sunday, January 13

- 8:00 AM Contemplative Worship/Sanctuary
- 9:00 AM Traditional Worship/Sanctuary
- 10:00 AM Easy English Fellowship/Room 204
- 10:15 AM Adult Education/Parlor Living Room
- 10:15 AM Sunday School/CE Building
- 11:00 AM Children's Choir/Chapel
- 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, January 14

- 9:00 AM DREAAM Youth Center/Centennial Hall
- 9:00 AM ESL Classes/Room 204-207; Café
- 1:00 PM GROW/Chapel
- 1:00 PM Knifty Knitters/Parlor
- 1:00 PM Prayer Ministry Team/Library
- 5:30 PM AA/Centennial Hall
- 6:30 PM Epilepsy Support/Westminster Hall

Tuesday, January 15

- 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 HR Meeting with Staff/Parlor
- 10:30 AM Staff Meeting/Parlor
- 12:00 PM Classic Book Study/U of I Atkins Bldg.

Wednesday, January 16

- 9:00 AM DREAAM Youth Center/Centennial Hall
- 9:00 AM ESL Classes/Room 204-207; Café
- 10:00 AM PEB Study/Parlor
- 5:30 PM Covenant Bible Study/Westminster Hall
- 6:00 PM ESL Class/Café
- 6:00 PM Bell Choir/Bell Choir Room
- 7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal/Choir Room

Thursday, January 17

- 7:30 AM Men's Breakfast/Library
- 9:00 AM DREAAM Youth Center/Centennial Hall
- 9:00 AM ESL Classes/Room 204-207; Café
- 9:00 AM Women's Bible Study/Parlor
- 11:00 AM Compassion, Peace, Justice/Library
- 6:30 PM Session Education Time/Westminster Hall
- 7:00 PM Session/Westminster Hall

Friday, January 18

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

Saturday, January 19

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

Worship

•Liturgists this morning are **Mike Olson** at the 8 AM service and **Destin LembeLembe** at the 9 AM service. Want to serve? Contact **Judi Geistlinger** at judgeistlinger@outlook.com.

•We **welcome children** of all ages to worship. 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.

•**Arturo O'Farrill** will be a guest musician on Sunday, January 20, at our 9 AM service. Mr. O'Farrill is a jazz musician, the son of Latin jazz musician, arranger and bandleader Chico O'Farrill, and current pianist, composer, and director for the Afro Latin Jazz Orchestra.

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.

•**Looking for ways to deepen your spiritual life in the new year?** Check out the new *Winter-Spring Small Group & Adult Education Opportunities* brochure. These can be found in the kiosks at the back of the sanctuary and around the church.

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 meet in Centennial Hall every other Thursday at 6 PM. They begin each meeting with a meal. Please consider providing dinner, beverages and paper products for 30 on April 4. Please be in touch with **Pastor Matt** (matt@firstpres.church or 864.386.9138.) Thanks.