

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

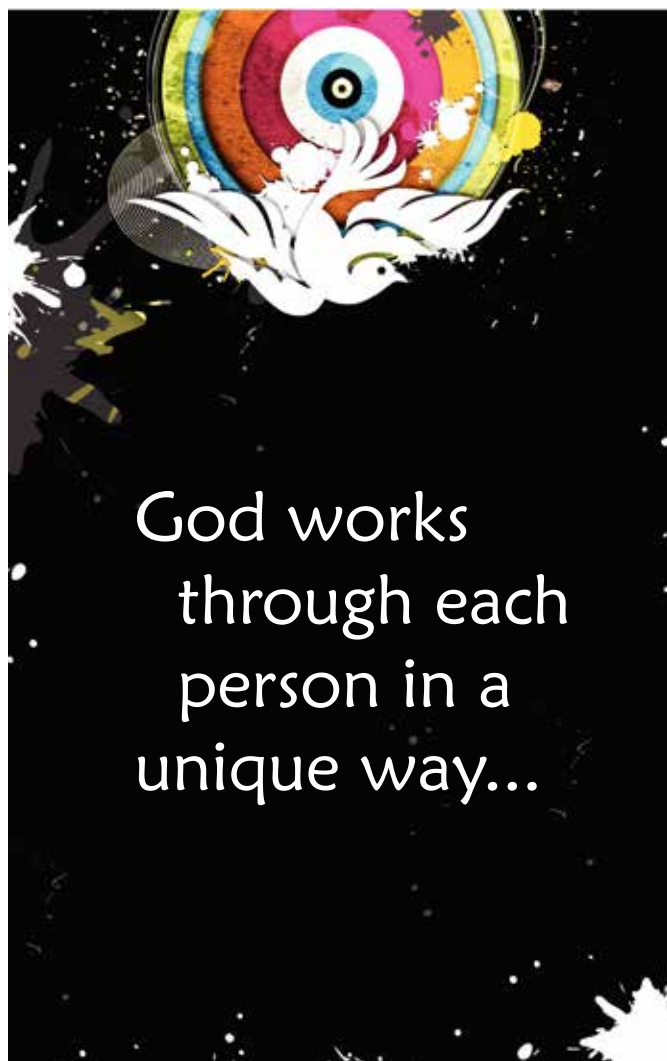
Contact our Director of Children, Youth, and Family Ministries, **Mindy Watts-Ellis** (mindy@firstpres.church) for more information.

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FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF CHAMPAIGN

January 20, 2019
2nd Sunday after Epiphany
8 and 9 AM



God works
through each
person in a
unique way...

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 *Hymn to the Trinity*

Paul Sjolund

*Call to Worship

There are varieties of gifts,

But it is the same Spirit who gives them.

There are different ways of serving God,

But it is the same Lord who is served.

God works through each person in a unique way,

But it is God's purpose that is accomplished.

To each is given a gift of the Spirit,

To use it for the common good.

Together we are the body of Christ,

And individually members of it.

*Hymn #12 *Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise*

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

In the light of Christ,

we see the darkness of our world and of our hearts.

Trusting in God's saving love,

let us confess our sin.

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

Almighty God,

**we confess that we have been led astray by the
idols of our world.**

We have depended on our possessions

and have not placed our trust in your grace.

We have carelessly consumed the gifts you offer

**and have failed to be faithful stewards of the earth's
resources.**

**We have sought security in the might of the sword
rather than the strength of your Holy Spirit.**

Forgive us, we pray.

**Lead us to true repentance that we may serve you
faithfully.**

Through Christ we pray. 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 #595 *Holy, Holy, Holy* (sung twice)

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

Please complete Prayer Request Card.

9Children's Time

Offering of Gifts and Tithes

Jean René Balekita

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 Epistles

I Corinthians 12:4-11 (NT pg. 174)

9Anthem *Joyous Light of Glory*

Carl Schalk

A Reading from the Gospels

John 2:1-11 (NT pg. 93)

This is the Word of the LORD.

Thanks be to God.

Message *A Question of Timing*

Pastor Matt Matthews

9Call to Prayer *Your Will Be Done*

Paul Sjolund

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Concern

The Lord's Prayer (Hymnal pg. 35)

*Hymn #339 *Lift Every Voice and Sing*

*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.

This Week

Sunday, January 20

- 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
- 5:30 PM Youth Retreat/CE Bldg.

Monday, January 21 Church Office Closed

- 5:30 PM AA/Centennial Hall

Tuesday, January 22

- 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/Westminster Hall
- 10:30 AM Staff Meeting/Parlor
- 11:00 AM CYF Team/Chapel
- 12:00 PM Classic Book Study/U of I Atkins Bldg.
- 4:30 PM World Mission Team/Parlor
- 6:30 PM Community Mission Deacons/Parlor

Wednesday, January 23

- 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 24

- 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
- 9:00 AM Circle of Joy/Baytowne Ctr
- 11:15 AM ESL Informational Mtg/Café
- 1:00 PM Circle of Faith/Parlor
- 5:30 PM Cuba Steering Committee/Parlor
- 6:00 PM Young Lives/Centennial Hall
- 7:00 PM Circle of Peace/Parlor

Friday, January 25

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

Saturday, January 26

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

Worship

•Liturgists this morning are **Mary Lou Bauer** at the 8 AM service and **Judi Geistlinger** 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.

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.

•**It is time to sign up for 7, 8 or 9 Dinners.** First Presbyterian has offered this fun activity in the past. This is great fellowship between our worshipers and neighbors and friends who might be interested in being a part of our church family. The dinners are adult gatherings. Activities for families will be scheduled at different times throughout the year. For more information or to sign up visit <http://firstpres.church/dinners789>. You may also pick up a sign-up form at the Welcome Center. Deadline to sign up is February 17, 2019. Any questions, contact **Linda Peterson** at lindakpete@gmail.com.

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 March 7. On Friday and Saturday, February 22-23, YoungLives is holding a retreat at First Pres. Maybe providing a meal that weekend would be easier. The group will start at 5:30 on Friday night with dinner then need some kind of breakfast and lunch the next day. Contact **Abby Hobbs** at hobbs.abby@gmail.com. Thanks.