

❖ Congregational Choral Benediction

#542 *God Be With You Till We Meet Again*

**God be with you till we meet again;
loving counsels guide, uphold you,
with a shepherd's care enfold you:
God be with you till we meet again**

❖ **Postlude** 8 *Hallelujah* arr. Joel Raney
Church & State Ringers; Landon Westerfield, conductor
9 *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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We want to get to know you!

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- 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

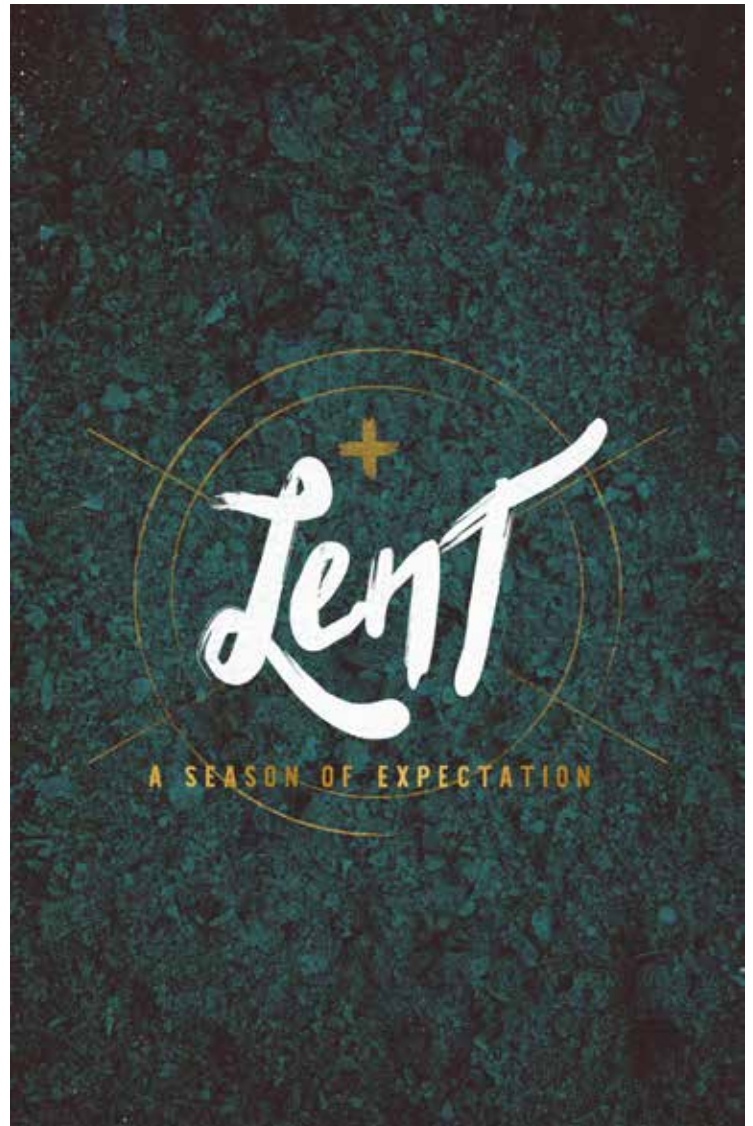
Children, Youth & Families

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.



**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH** OF CHAMPAIGN

April 7, 2019
5th Sunday in Lent
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 8Pierre Tang

9Hallelujah arr: Joel Raney
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Preparation for Worship – Tower Bell

Greeting and Announcements

Moment for Ministry – OGHS Lizz Pippin

9Introit *Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty* Herbert Colvin

❖**Call to Worship** (from *Isaiah* 43)

I am about to do a new thing, says the LORD;
now it springs forth, do you not perceive it?
I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert.
**The wild animals will honor me,
the jackals and the ostriches;**
for I give water in the wilderness,
rivers in the desert,
to give drink to my chosen people,
**the people whom I formed for myself
so that they might declare my praise.**
Let us worship God.
The LORD's name be praised.

❖**Hymn #630** *Fairest Lord Jesus*

❖**Call to Confession**

Let us call upon Jesus to forgive and heal us.
Let us confess our sins.
#227 *Jesus, Remember Me* (A sinner's prayer, sung)
Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.
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❖**Prayer of Confession**

(from *Stages on the Way*/Wild Goose Worship Group)

Lord God,
in this world where goodness and evil
continue to clash with each other,
instill in us, and in all your people,
discernment to see what is right,
faith to believe what is right,
and courage to do what is right.

**Keep us aware of the subtlety of sin,
and preserve us, body, mind, and soul,
through the power of your Holy Spirit.**

**Forgive us our sins as you also
empower us to serve in your name. AMEN.**

❖**Assurance of Pardon**

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

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

The old life is gone;
the new life has begun
Believe the Gospel and be at peace:

In Jesus Christ our sins 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 of Gratitude #447 *We Are Forgiven*

We are forgiven. We are forgiven.

Thanks be to God. Thanks be to God.

We are forgiven. We are forgiven.

Thanks be to God. Thanks be to God.

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

9**Children's Time**

Offering of Gifts and Tithes Please complete Prayer Request Card

Pierre Tang

9Sung Response #15 *All Creatures of Our God and King*
(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!

9**Prayer of Dedication**

Prayer for Illumination #474 *As a Child Rests* (refrain)

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

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

A Reading from the Gospels

John 12:1-8 (NT pg. 106)

This is the Word of the LORD.

Thanks be to God!

Sermon *Jesus, the Immediate One*

Matt Matthews

Celebration of the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

We are Invited

We give Thanks (sung to *Day Is Done* Ar Hyd Y Nos)

For the fruit of all creation, Thanks be to God.

For the gifts to every nation, Thanks be to God.

**For the wonders that astound us, For the truths
that still confound us.**

**Most of all that love has found us, Thanks be to
God...**

The Lord's Prayer

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is**

in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and

forgive our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and

lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

**For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the
glory, forever. Amen.**

The Meal is Set

The Meal is Shared

Psalms 121

Deborah Govenor

We Close in Prayer

❖**Hymn #529** *Draw Us In the Spirit's Tether*

❖**Charge and Benediction**

This Week

Sunday, April 7

- 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 Lenten Study/Parlor
- 10:15 AM Sunday School/CE Building
- 11:00 AM Children's Choir/Chapel
- 11:15 AM The Gathering/Centennial Hall
- 12:30 PM New Americans & Session Mtg/Parlor
- 2:00 PM French Young Adult Group/Chapel
- 3:00 PM Praise & Prayer Choir Rehearsal/Chapel
- 5:30 PM Youth Group/CE Bldg.

Monday, April 8

- 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 Team/Library
- 1:15 PM PEB Study/Westminster Hall
- 4:00 PM Cuba Auction Planning/Library
- 5:30 PM AA/Centennial Hall
- 6:30 PM Epilepsy Support/Westminster Hall

Tuesday, April 9

- 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
- 10:30 AM Staff Meeting/Parlor
- 12:00 PM Classic Book Study/U of I Atkins Bldg.
- 5:30 PM Contemporary Worship Team/Parlor
- 7:00 PM Worship Team/Parlor

Wednesday, April 10

- 8:30 AM SEA Group/Parlor
- 9:00 AM DREAAM Youth Center/Centennial Hall
- 9:00 AM ESL Classes/Room 204-207; Café
- 11:30 AM Stephen Ministry Support/Parlor
- 11:30 AM CYF Meeting/Chapel
- 5:30 PM Covenant Bible Study/Parlor
- 6:00 PM ESL Class/Café
- 6:00 PM Bell Choir/Bell Choir Room
- 7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal/Choir Room

Thursday, April 11

- 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
- 10:30 AM Nurture Team/Parlor
- 11:30 AM Outreach/Parlor
- 12:00 PM Mission Team/Westminster Hall
- 4:30 PM Finance/Library
- 5:30 PM Courageous Conversations/Parlor

Friday, April 12

- 8:30 AM Men's Prayer/Chapel
- 9:00 AM DREAAM Youth Center/Family Library
- 9:30 AM ESL Info Mtg/Café

Saturday, April 13

- 8:00 AM DREAAM Parent Workshop/Café
- 1:30 PM Anne Hickenbottom Memorial/Sanctuary
- 6:00 PM Praise & Prayer Gathering/Centennial Hall

Worship

•Liturgist this morning is **Tom Ulen** at the 8 AM service and **Miriam Chenault** 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.

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•This morning's **sermon** is available online this next week or printed copies can be found in the kiosks next Sunday.

•**Spring flowers will decorate our Sanctuary for Easter.** Each plant is \$13. If you would like to contribute in memory or honor of someone, place your check along with the notation "Easter flowers" in the offering plate. Please include a note who the plant(s) are given in memory or honor of.

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.

•The HR team is pleased to announce that **Rachel Matthews** has agreed to serve as the **FPCC Interim Mission Coordinator**. Rachel is an ordained pastor in the PC(USA) and has vast experience working in churches in various capacities. She jumped into our mission ministries shortly after she arrived and has already visited our partners in Pakistan and in Cuba.

•**Cuba Two Step...Sunday, May 5.** Salsa dancing at 4 followed by Cuban dinner at 5 PM. Tickets available. \$20 donation suggested. Proceeds support the work of the Presbyterian Reformed Church of Cuba.

Serve

•**Help is needed throughout the year for empty tomb food deliveries.** Stop by the Welcome Center to learn more.

•The **East Central Illinois Refugee Mutual Assistance Center (ECIRMAC)** will hold their Fundraising Banquet on Saturday, April 27, at the Round Barn Banquet Centre. Contact the center at 344-8455 or admin@ecirmac.org if you would like tickets or inquire about making a donation. Board President **John Muirhead** would be happy to assist you in securing tickets.

Holy Week

Palm Sunday, April 14

- 8 & 9 AM Worship/Sanctuary
- 11:15 AM Contemporary Worship/Centennial Hall

Maundy Thursday, April 18

- 6 PM Soup Supper & Worship/Centennial Hall

Good Friday, April 19

- 7 PM Worship/Sanctuary (combined with First Methodist)

Easter Sunday, April 21

- 8 & 9:30 AM Worship/Sanctuary
- 11:15 AM Contemporary Worship/Centennial Hall