

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 Children's Corner in Westminster Hall. 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
- 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

May 26, 2019
6th Sunday of Easter
8 and 9 AM



*Alleluia! Christ is alive;
let all the people praise him.*

Welcome to First Presbyterian Church
Bienvenue à La Première Eglise Presbytérienne de Champaign
Bienvenidos a La Primera Iglesia Presbiteriana

삼페인 제일 장로교회에 오신것을 환영합니다.

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procurez-vous un récepteur et
des écouteurs à l'arrière du sanctuaire.

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

Minute for Mission – Salt & Light Linda Tauber-Olson

9Introit *Enter Into His Gates With Thanksgiving* John Worst

♦ **Call to Worship** (from *Feasting on the Word*)

Alleluia! Christ is alive; let all the people praise him.

Let all creation sing with joy. Alleluia!

♦ **Hymn #8** *Eternal Father, Strong to Save*

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

Trusting in the love of God to make all things new,
let us confess our sin to God and our neighbor.

♦ **Prayer of Confession**

Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. In your mercy forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name.

♦ **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 #240 *Alleluia, Alleluia!*

Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord.

Alleluia, alleluia! Give praise to his name.

Spread the good news o'er all the earth:

Jesus has died and has risen.

Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord.

Alleluia, alleluia! Give praise to his name.

9Hymn #286 *Breathe On Me Breath Of God*

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 #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!

9Prayer of Dedication and Thanksgiving

9Anthem *Now the Green Blade Rises* arr. Carolyn Johnson

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

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

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A Reading from the New Testament

Acts 11:1-18 (NT pg. 130)

This is the Word of the LORD.

Thanks be to God.

Message *Always Room For One More* Pastor Matt Matthews

An Affirmation of Faith see screen

(adapted from the *Confession of 1967*)

9Call to Prayer *O Light, Everlasting* O.C. Christiansen

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Concern

The Lord's Prayer (Hymnal pg. 35)

♦ **Hymn #300** *We Are One In the Spirit*

♦ **Charge and Benediction**

♦ **Congregational Choral Benediction**

#748 *Go With Us, Lord*

**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**

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

Pierre Tang

♦ Please stand if able.

This Week

Sunday, May 26

- 8:00 AM Contemplative Worship/Sanctuary
- 9:00 AM Traditional Worship/Sanctuary
- 10:00 AM Easy English Fellowship/Room 204
- 10:15 AM Sunday School/CE Building
- 10:15 AM Called Session Meeting/Library
- 10:15 AM Adult Ed/Parlor
- 11:15 AM The Gathering/Centennial Hall
- 2:00 PM French Young Adult Group/Chapel
- 3:00 PM Praise & Prayer Choir Rehearsal/Chapel

Monday, May 27 Office Closed for Memorial Day

- 5:30 PM AA/Centennial Hall

Tuesday, May 28

- 7:00 AM Men's Breakfast Study/Centennial Hall
- 9:00 AM DREAAM Youth Center/Centennial Hall
- 9:00 AM PW Coordinating Team/Wesminster Hall
- 10:00 AM Staff Training-Meeting/Café
- 6:30 PM Community Mission Deacons/Parlor

Wednesday, May 29

- 9:00 AM DREAAM Youth Center/Centennial Hall
- 6:00 PM Contemporary Worship Rehearsal/Centennial Hall
- 6:00 PM Bell Choir/Bell Choir Room
- 7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal/Choir Room

Thursday, May 30

- 7:30 AM Men's Breakfast/Library
- 9:00 AM DREAAM Youth Center/Centennial Hall
- 9:00 AM DREAAM Staff Meeting/Café
- 9:00 AM Circle of Joy/Baytowne
- 1:00 PM Circle of Faith/Parlor
- 7:00 PM Circle of Peace/Parlor

Friday, May 31 Church Office Closes at Noon

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

Saturday, June 1

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

The church office will close at noon on Fridays throughout the summer months (Memorial Day through Labor Day.)

Chris Hartley, regular guitarist at our Contemporary Service, has a duo gig with a pianist Thursday, May 30, at 6 PM at the Iron Post in Urbana.

Worship

•Liturgist this morning is **Richard Coddington** 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.

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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.

•Join us in Westminster Hall this morning after the 9 AM service. We will celebrate our **High School and College graduates**.

•Next Sunday, June 2, we will say farewell to **Pierre Tang, Organist/Church Musician**. Pierre will be joining the staff at Pepperdine University in California as Director of Large Ensembles conducting the band and 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.

•Join us TODAY at 10:15 AM in the Parlor as TED Talks resumes. This morning **Bryan Enderle**, an engaging professor at UC Davis, will speak on *Science vs. God*. "Enderle uses modern science to make certain fantastic aspects of a modern God more plausible. In doing so he creates a space where science and religion can coexist." **Pat Phillips** will lead the discussion.

•**Presbyterian Women** cordially invite all women to join us for our monthly circle meeting on Thursday, May 30. 9 AM at Baytowne Apartments, 1 PM in Mae Chapin Parlor or 7 PM in Mae Chapin Parlor. PW's Spring Gathering is fast approaching! Plan to attend on June 6, at 11:30 AM. **Susan Ingels**, Mary Gritten's cousin, will speak about her inspiring Indonesian trip.

Serve

•**Youth Triennium Envelope Fundraiser** continues today and runs through Sunday, June 2. Stop by the bulletin board in Westminster, pick up an envelope, and learn about the students going to Triennium. Return the envelope with your donation the next Sunday.