***Benediction**

***Congregational Choral Benediction**

#692 Spirit, Open My Heart

May I weep with those who weep; share the joy of sister, brother.

In the welcome of Christ,

may we welcome one another.

Spirit, open my heart to the joy and pain of living. As you love may I love, in receiving and in giving.

Spirit, open my heart.

♦Postlude Richard Rossi

(You may wish to be seated for the postlude.)

❖Please stand if able



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF CHAMPAIGN

August 4, 2019
8th Sunday after Pentecost
8 and 9 AM

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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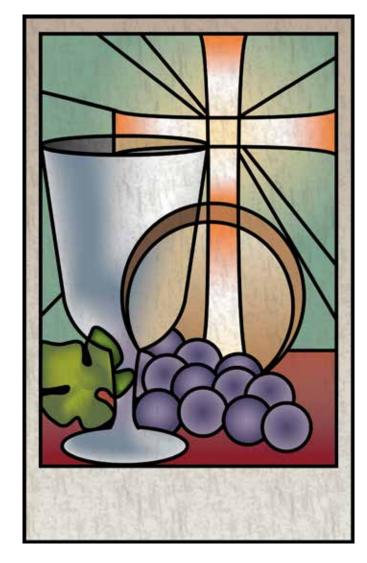
We want to get to know you!

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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

Child care is provided for infants, toddlers, and preschool children in the Christian Education building directly across the alley during worship. Please check your children in with the attendants. There will be no Sunday School for Elementary, Middle School, or High School students this summer.

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

샴페인 제일 장로교회에 오신것을 환영합니다.

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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

Richard Rossi

Preparation for Worship – Tower Bell Greeting and Announcements

***Call to Worship**

God of the past who whispered in the prophets' ears; who rescued us from sin's slavery:

we are here to thank you.

God of the future, who is tearing down the old world, and building your kingdom in our midst:

we are here because we trust you.

God of the present who, in the giftedness of our diversity, creates us to be one people:

we are here to praise you.

God is here. Let us worship God together!

❖Hymn #774 There Is Now a New Creation

***Call to Confession**

When we could be revived by God's grace, we find ourselves fearing God's judgment, doubting God's joy in us, worrying that God has turned away from us. Let us come to the One who heals us and calls each of us by name. Join me as we pray together...

Prayer of Confession

You hold nothing back from us, Amazing God, yet we are determined to cling to what we have accumulated. We often gorge ourselves on food so that we cannot feel the deep ache our hunger for you causes. You invite us to set aside our old ways, and walk with you, but unknown paths fill us with fear.

Have mercy on us, Bread of Heaven. We come to the Table of grace and hope, not for our personal satisfaction, but for the joy of recognizing the One who calls us to new life, and for the grace to share this joy with everyone we meet. This we pray in the name of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ...(continue to pray in silence). Amen.

***Assurance of Pardon**

Do not be afraid. More than anything else, God wants to turn swamps into pools of crystal clear water; bonds of sin into cords of compassion; sinners into servants.

God loves us. God forgives us. God lifts us to new life. Thanks be to God. Amen.

♦ 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 #1 Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!

Holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!

All thy works shall praise thy name,

in earth and sky and sea.

Holy, holy! Merciful and mighty!

God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

Act of Friendship & Collection of Prayer Concerns

(Learn the names of your pew mates; please complete Prayer Request Card)

9Children's Time

9Sacrament of Baptism

Believe M. Nkunku, daughter of Patricia Pukuta and Chris Nkunku

With joy and thanksgiving, we welcome Believe as a part of Christ's church; we are all one in Christ. We promise to love, encourage and support you and to share the good news of Jesus Christ with you that you may know and follow Jesus. Amen.

Offering of Gifts and Tithes

The Lord's Prayer

Albert Malotte

Connor Stout, soloist

9Sung Response #54 Make a Joyful Noise to God

Make a joyful noise to God!

All creation sings your praise!

Great your wonders here displayed, unexcelled throughout our days.

Glorious is your sacred name,

ages old, yet still the same.

9Prayer of Dedication and Thanksgiving

Prayer for Illumination

A Reading from the Gospels

Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32 (NT pg. 78)

This is the Word of the LORD.

Thanks be to God!

Sermon The Lost Boys

Eric Corbin

Affirmation of Faith (Unison) by Rev. Dr. Barbara Hedges-Goettl The communion of saints, called from the entire human family, is united by God. As the people of God, we love one another. We experience, practice, and pursue community with one another. We give ourselves willingly and joyfully to one another. We are a benefit and blessing to one another. We share one faith and have one calling. We are one body, and are of one soul and mind. We have one God and Lord. We are filled with one Spirit. We are baptized with one baptism. We eat of one bread and drink of one cup. We confess one name and are obedient to one Lord. We work for one cause and share one hope. Thanks be to God.

Celebration of the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

We are Invited

We give Thanks

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 We Close in Prayer

Richard Rossi

This Week

Sunday, August 4

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

11:15 AM The Gathering/Centennial Hall

11:15 AM French Bible Study/Room 204

2:00 PM French Young Adult Group/Chapel

2:00 PM Praise & Prayer Music Rehearsal/Centennial Hall

Monday, August 5

1:00 PM GROW/Chapel

5:30 PM AA/Centennial Hall

Tuesday, August 6

7:00 AM Men's Breakfast Study/Centennial Hall

10:30 AM Staff Mtg/Parlor

Wednesday, August 7

Thursday, August 8

7:30 AM Men's Breakfast Study/Library

10:30 AM Membership Team/Parlor

11:30 AM Nurture Team/Parlor

4:30 PM Finance Team/Library

5:30 PM Spiritual Formation/Library

5:30 PM Courageous Conversations/Parlor

Friday, August 9 Church Office Closes at Noon

8:30 AM Men's Prayer/Chapel

5:00 PM Grill/Vente Wedding Rehearsal/Sanctuary

Saturday, August 10

3:00 PM Grill/Vente Wedding/Sanctuary

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.)



Please join us Sunday, August 11, 2019 for

Sholem Fest

6 PM Picnic at Centennial Park 8 PM Swimming at Sholem Pool

Main dish provided. Please bring a side dish or dessert to share.

Worship

- •Liturgist this morning is **Eric Stickels** at the 8 AM service and **Pat Phillips** at the 9 AM service. Want to serve? Contact **Judi Geistlinger** at judigeistlinger@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 would like to hear the **service translated into French**, please pick up a receiver and headphones from the back of the Sanctuary. Si vous souhaitez que le service soit traduit en français, procurez-vous un récepteur et des écouteurs à l'arrière du sanctuaire.
- •This morning's **sermon** is available online this next week or printed copies can be found in the kiosks next Sunday.
- •Beginning Sunday, September 1, there will be only one traditional service at 9 AM each week.

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 **Sunday morning TED Talks/Adult Ed** are on hiatus for the month of August. Watch for upcoming announcements about new and exciting classes beginng Sunday, September 8.
- •Food, fun and fellowship...join us for our annual **Sholem** Fest on Sunday, August 11, at Sholem Aquatic Center. Potluck picnic will begin at 6 PM in the Centennial Park pavilion. Main entree will be provided; bring a side dish to share. Free event open to everyone!
- •Saturday September 28. **Senior High "Youth Club" alumni** (1965-1985) are having a reunion! We're meeting for dinner at 5 PM in The Café (the old 2nd floor youth lounge), then walking over to the Bob Nutt Memorial Concert at The Virginia Theatre. This concert is being underwritten by First Presby. Learn more about the concert at Facebook/bobnuttconcert. Tickets for the concert must be purchased through the Virginia Theatre box office (\$15 and \$25). **Carol Arnould** is the registrar for the Youth Club event (caarnould@yahoo.com). Please notify her if you plan to attend and/or want learn more about the reunion. When you respond provide her with your email. Please spread the word and reserve your place at this event.

Serve

•Take a turn with coffee hour...If you enjoy the coffee hour between services, perhaps you can volunteer to make coffee or clean up after coffee hour, one Sunday soon. Please contact Tom Gilmore, gilmoretom9@gmail.com or Nancy Brombaugh, n.brombaugh@gmail.com, if you are willing to help.