

MAY 12, 2019
4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER
9:00AM McMILLEN CHAPEL
11:00AM SANCTUARY



First Presbyterian Church

TRANSFORMING LIVES THROUGH
THE LOVE OF JESUS CHRIST

Welcome to First Presbyterian Church! We are so glad that you are here. We hope that joining us for worship today will nurture your heart and transform your mind. Here at First Pres our mission is transforming lives through the love of Jesus Christ, that simple and that challenging. We realize we need each other and commit to pray for each other. We reach out in love and compassion to a world in need, and we know we are a work in progress.

If you are new to First Pres, we hope you will join us again and consider attending any of our mission, fellowship and education opportunities. If you would like to learn more about us, please fill out the visitor information on the blue card in the pew rack and place it in the offering plate. **You are also more than welcome to contact any of our pastors over the phone or by email. God's peace to you today.**

— Rev. Dr. Anne Epling, Rev. Dr. Youngsoo An, Rev. Ann Pitman

† *Those who are able please stand*

PRELUDE Welcome, Day!

Gwyneth Walker

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Fathers and mothers, sisters and brothers, partners and friends,

All: Families of all kinds and sizes,

One: Come and worship.

All: Loud singers and quiet hummers,

One: Quick learners and patient teachers,

All: Passionate pilgrims and curious seekers,

One: Come and worship.

All: We who feel younger than springtime or older than the hills,

One: Come and worship.

All: We who go faster than the speed of light or slower than molasses,

One: Come and worship.

All: On this special day,

One: Come and worship.

† **HYMN** No. 645 Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above

MIT FREUDEN ZART

† **CALL TO CONFESSION**

†PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*Unison*)

Faithful God, persistent friend, you weave so many wonderful people into our lives: fathers and mothers, children and youth, friends and neighbors. Yet do we stop to acknowledge them as blessings from God? Do we say a word of thanks or whisper a prayer of gratitude? Have we told our appreciation, written a word of encouragement, or sung their praises? Faithful God, forgive us for taking anyone for granted. Give us eyes to see the miracles around us. Give us hearts that know you care for each and every one. Give us voices to sing our thanks. Amen.

†ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Wherever you are, Christ is with you. You are beloved of God, and God's care will always surround you. Be at peace and rejoice, knowing you are forgiven by God! Amen.

†SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

One: Let us greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace.

†CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE Hymn No. 591 Halle, Halle, Hallelujah!

Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah! Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah!

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Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah! Hal - le - lu - jah! Hal - le - lu - jah!

*Text: Traditional Liturgical
Music: Caribbean melody; arr. John L. Bell, 1990
Glory to God #591*

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TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES 11:00am

Children are encouraged to come forward at this time. Parents may accompany their child if they wish. Afterwards, children may join their families in the pews for the rest of the service or meet teachers in the Narthex for Church School in Room 208. Children ages 5 or under may go to childcare in Room 101. If you need assistance, please ask an usher.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT READING

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Proverbs 31:10-31, p. 613-614

9:00am Larry Stoneburner

11:00am Marj Sapp

ANTHEM 11:00am A Home of Grace

Joseph M. Martin

*O, thank you, Lord, for family, how precious your design.
That through the gift of parents we know your love divine.
They lead us and they teach us. They help us find our place.
And working all together, we build a home of Grace.*

*O, thank you, Lord for family, no two of them the same.
For all who care for children though never share their name.
O teach us, Lord, compassion and help us grow our faith,
Until every home is cherished and built upon your grace.*

*O, thank you, Lord, for family.
This is our earnest prayer for mothers and for fathers, for the hearts of all who care.
And though sometimes imperfect and though we lose our way,
Today we pledge and promise to build a home of grace.*

SERMON

“June Cleaver I’m Not”

Rev. Dr. Annie Epling

†HYMN No. 14 For the Beauty of the Earth

DIX

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD’S PRAYER *(Unison)*

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 us 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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY God of the Women

setting by Sondra Tucker

†**DOXOLOGY** Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow (*Tune No. 606*)

OLD HUNDREDTH

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Creator, Christ and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

†**PRAYER OF DEDICATION** (*Unison*)

Generous God, thank you for the gifts you bestow upon us daily. Make us aware of each blessing that comes our way, and create in us the constant desire to be blessings for others. Bless what we bring before you, we pray. Amen.

†**HYMN** God of the Women (see insert)

SLANE

†**BENEDICTION**

†**POSTLUDE** Go Forth With Joy!

Gwyneth Walker

Anthem Note: “A Home of Grace” was written by Joseph M. Martin (b. 1959) in 2016. The melody used is commonly associated with the Irish Folk Song “Down By the Salley Gardens.” The text is appropriate for Mother’s Day as it gives thanks for “family” and focuses on the fact that no two families are the same. Martin is a pianist and composer who resides in Austin, Texas. He has written over 1200 compositions. Martin’s music is heard in a variety of locations including Carnegie Hall, the Lawrence Welk Theater in Branson, Missouri, and several churches across the United States.

WORSHIP THIS MORNING

Greeters: 9:00am Brenda and Larry Stoneburner
11:00am Kip and Mary Jane Ormerod, Yu Cha Riley, Kwangheui Williams

Ushers: 9:00am Brenda Stoneburner
11:00am Jerry Winters, Chair; Dave Beer, Charlotte Epling, Dick Florea,
John Ruble, Anita Wolfe

Chancel Choir Members: (soprano) Christa Cook, Susan Dorion, Marta Hilworth, Joan Jackson, Antoinette Lee, Gretchen Lee, Patricia Pierce, Marianne Platt, Sandy Shearer; (alto) Jane Beer, Virginia Coats, Mary Jane Ormerod, Fran Page, Jill Therrien, Mary Winters; (tenor) Kathie Bishop, Scott McMeen, Marj Sapp; (bass) Dave Beer, Jim Mergenthal, Dan Michnay, Kip Ormerod.

The Chancel flowers are given in memory of Barbara & Richard Morton by Deborah Ward.

CHILDCARE AND CHURCH SCHOOL

8:45am Childcare for children 5 or under, Room 101 (until 12:15pm).

10:00am Adult Education—The Wired Word, Parlor.

10:00am Youth Bible Study (6th grade through 12 grade), Room 209.

11:15am – Children Church School (Kindergarten through 5th grade) – Room 208. No class on the First Sunday of the Month.

WORSHIP AT FIRST PRESBYTERIAN

- **Today, Mother's Day**—We'll hear a sermon about the worst mother in the Bible. Have your picture taken after the 11:00am worship service.
- **May 26—Memorial Day Weekend**—There will be one English Language worship service at **9:30am in McMillen Chapel**. Korean Language Service will be at their regular time, 11:00am, in the McMillen Chapel.
- **June 2**—There will be **one joint English and Korean worship service at 11:00am** for the purpose of Ordination and Installation of newly elected officers and recognizing the officers whose terms are ending. Rev. Dr. Youngsoo An is preaching.
- **June 9, Pentecost Sunday**—Wear red to church to celebrate the day. Communion will be served this week (instead of the first Sunday of the month).

MISSION AND OUTREACH

Monthly Emergency Food Pantry relies on your donated food or money to support its program of feeding hungry people caught in crisis situations. Pick up a bag to fill in the Narthex and return next **Sunday, May 19**, or during the week to the Church Office. This month's list: canned pasta sauce (no glass please), any type of pasta, baked beans, canned corn, instant mashed potatoes, canned fruit (any variety), lemonade mix.

Ditty Bag Project—Helping those in need of hygiene products, hosted by the Deacons. **There is a need for approximately 40 more bags** in order to assemble them in June. Details are located in the brochure rack outside of the Church Office. Bags and donations can be placed in the blue bin labeled "Deacons Ditty Bags" in the Small Dining Room. Contact Vicki Davis at 260-466-5116 or Judy Hayhurst at 260-341-6008 with questions.

CHILDREN, YOUTH & FAMILY (CYF)

Family Retreat—There is still time to join us for a weekend family retreat at Geneva Center May 18 - May 19. **We will leave the church parking lot May 18 at 7:30am.** You don't want to miss a great time exploring nature, spending time with your family, and building relations with other church families. Sunday breakfast is provided before heading back to the church, returning by 12:00pm. Cost is \$30 per person, and includes all food and transportation. **Last day to sign up is May 12—contact Jen Rannells.**

Today is the last **Sunday School** for children and youth until Fall. We will continue to have childcare offered through the summer for children ages newborn to 5 years old.

Save the Date: Youth group will begin September 1, from 12:00pm-2:00pm. More details coming soon.

TinCaps game—June 2 at 1:05pm. Tickets are \$12 for adults and \$5 for children. Sign up by calling or emailing Jen or at the bulletin board in the Small Dining Room. Park at the church and pick up your reserved tickets from Jen from 10:30am to 12:30pm by the Church Office on game day. Walk from the church to the Washington Blvd. entrance. We have a great section reserved with tickets to enjoy the children's area. One of our very own will throw out the first pitch of the game.

Please check out the bulletin board in the Small Dining Room for upcoming events and registrations. **Questions or to register, contact Jen Rannells, Family Ministry Coordinator, at (260) 426-7421 x150, or cyf@firstpresfortwayne.org.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Zip Code Dinner Groups—Zip code dinners are a good way to meet other people. All are welcome.

Today: The 46845 and 46825 group meets at 12:30pm at Don Hall's Gas House, 305 E. Superior St. The 46804 and 46814 group met last week due to Mother's Day.

Monday, May 13: The 46805, 46835 and 46802 group will meet at 5:30pm at Don Hall's Triangle Park, 3010 Trier Road. Faith Friends 46815 will meet at 6:00pm at Don Hall's Triangle Park.

A Picture Perfect Mother's Day—Today is Mother's Day. After worship, our Hospitality Table will be located in McKay Foyer, where punch and cookies will be served. Photographers Julia Epling and the Byer family will be on hand to take memorable pictures. Add to your family photos or have your picture taken with friends who sit near you in church. The Gallery is open, and the trolley stops at the corner to take you to other downtown venues.

Mother's Day Downtown—Sunday, May 12, 2019, 11:00am to 5:00pm. Park here and take the trolley to your favorite downtown shops and cultural attractions. For more information, see www.downtownfortwayne.com. **The First Presbyterian Gallery is part of this event, and the hours are from 11:00am to 2:00pm.**

Crafting Day—May 18, 9:00am to 3:30pm, Room 302—Fiber and other table-top crafters are invited to spend the day working on your projects in a friendly and encouraging setting. We will meet to knit, crochet, weave, cross stitch, needlepoint, quilt, sew, color, etc. We will each bring our own morning beverages. For lunch, pastries, pizza, and veggies or fruit will be provided for a \$10.00 fee, paid that day. **Please sign up in the Church Office today, and indicate if you need an electrical outlet.** If you have questions, please contact Marj Sapp, marj.sapp@gmail.com or Marcie Weissner, marcie5073@aol.com.

Send greetings to the Martinys—Please stop by the Church Office to sign a card for Walter and Betsy. There is also a composition book if you would like to write a note of good wishes. Linda Yount will be visiting them the first week of June and will deliver these items. Questions? Contact Linda Yount at 260-444-8931.

Are you interested in travelling to France and Switzerland? Smock is tentatively planning a trip there in the summer of 2020. Information meetings will be held at First Presbyterian Church on June 6 at 10:30am and 6:00pm. Room TBD. There is an informational flier on the table in the Narthex outside the Sanctuary and Chapel with more information and a preliminary itinerary.

RELIGIOUS ARTS

In the Gallery: “Vision Eternal—Artistic Testimonies of Faith”: Art Cislo, Jon Detweiler, Justin Johnson and John Leavell.



“Vision Eternal” features four local artists whose creative works are defined by their personal faith. Art Cislo, Jon Detweiler, Justin Johnson, and John Leavell each display their faith through their artistic talents. To complement these spiritual works of testimony, a collection of historic illuminated manuscripts and Russian icons (12th-19th century) will be on display now through June 2. **Gallery hours: 9:00am-5:00pm Monday-Friday; 8:30am-12:30pm Sunday.**

Mark your calendars now for Dr. Chelsea Vaught’s annual **Germanfest Organ Recital!** It will be Monday, June 3, at 12:15pm, in the Sanctuary, and will feature compositions by German composers and an audience sing-along. Join us for this short, 30-minute recital.

The **Summit City Singers, directed by Judy King,** will present a concert as part of its 2019 Spring Concert Series with the theme “Folk Songs of the World” on Tuesday, May 28, at 7:00pm, in the Sanctuary. Come and enjoy a free concert of a wide variety of folk songs while supporting a local group!

SERMON NOTES

HOSPITAL VISITATIONS

If you or a loved one is having surgery or is admitted to the hospital, please notify the Church Office or a pastor so we can provide care as you prefer: hold you in prayer or pay a visit — if desired. Lutheran hospitals (Lutheran, St. Joe, or Dupont), no longer provide us a list of admitted members. Instead, we must provide them with a name to confirm admission status.

MISSION CO-WORKERS SPONSORED:

Mr. Mark Hare and Ms. Jenny Bent, Haiti and the Dominican Republic
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Rev. John McCall, Presbyterian Church of Taiwan
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Office Hours: 9:00am - 5:00pm M-F; 8:30am - 12:30pm Sunday

CHURCH CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

SUNDAY, MAY 12 MOTHER'S DAY

- 8:45am Childcare (*until 12:15pm*), 101
- 9:00am English Worship, CH
- 10:00am Chancel Choir Warm-up, SC
Korean Group Choir Practice, 201
Korean Group Fellowship, FH
Church School, Youth, Adults, 209, PR
- 10:20am Korean Group Prayer Meeting, CL
- 11:00am English Worship, SC
Korean Group Children's Worship, CL
Korean Group Worship, CH
Gallery (Downtown Spring Trolley Event), GL
- 11:15am Church School (K-5th), 208
- 12:00pm Hospitality Time & Photos, MF
- 12:30pm Zip Code Dinner 46845/46825, OS
- 1:00pm Korean Group Choir Practice, 201, CH

MONDAY, MAY 13

- 1:00pm Smock 3B Walkers, MH
Matthew 25 Committee, SR
- 1:30pm Smock 3B, MH
- 3:00pm Study Connection, MH
- 5:30pm 46805,46835,46802 Dinner, Hall's Triangle Park
- 6:00pm 46815 Faith Friends Dinner, Hall's Triangle Park

TUESDAY, MAY 14

Prayer Day: John McCall, Mission in Taiwan

- 3:00pm Faith, Fibers, and Fellowship, 302
- 4:00pm Congregational Life, SR
- 5:00pm Board of Deacons Meeting, PR
- 5:30pm Contemporary Christians on World View, 302

WEDNESDAY, MAY 15

Prayer Day: Presbyterian workers in the Middle East

- 9:00am Hunger Relief Food Delivery, MH
- 10:00am Table Talk I, SR
- 1:00pm Smock 3B Walkers, MH
Women's Bible Study, 302
- 1:30pm Smock 3B, MH
- 2:30pm Table Talk II, 300

THURSDAY, MAY 16

Prayer Day: Mark Hare & Jenny Bent, Mission for Haiti

- 10:00am Smock Presby-Day, MH
- 10:30am Alzheimer's Caregiver Support, 304
- 5:00pm Finance Committee, SR
- 5:30pm Handbell Choir Rehearsal, SC

FRIDAY, MAY 17

- 1:00pm Smock 3B Walkers, MH
- 1:30pm Smock 3B, MH
- 6:00pm Korean Group Revival, CH

SATURDAY, MAY 18

- 7:00am Korean Group Chapel Prayer, CH
- 7:30am Family Mission Trip, OS
- 8:00am Korean Group Bible Study, SR
- 9:00am Crafting Day at FPC, 302
- 10:00am Rescue Mission Meal Prep, MK
- 11:00am Korean Group Revival, CH
- 6:00pm Korean Group Revival, CH

SUNDAY, MAY 19

- 8:45am Childcare (*until 12:15pm*), 101
- 9:00am English Worship, CH
- 10:00am Handbell Choir Warm-up, SC
Korean Group Choir Practice, 201
Korean Group Fellowship, FH
Church School, Youth, Adults, 209, PR
- 10:20am Korean Group Prayer Meeting, CL
- 11:00am English Worship, SC
Korean Group Children's Worship, CL
Korean Group Worship, CH
- 11:15am Church School (K-5th), 208
- 12:00am Hospitality Time, MH
Family Mission Trip Returns to Church
- 1:00pm Korean Group Choir Practice, 201, CH
- 4:15pm Rescue Mission Meal, OS

CH - Chapel

CL - Chapel Lounge

CN - Chapel Narthex

CR - Conference Room

CY - Courtyard

FH - Fellowship Hall

FO - Front Office

GL - Gallery

K2 - Kitchen, 2nd floor

LB - Library

LE - Lobby Elevator

LK - Lower-level Kitchen

LN - Lobby North

MF - McKay Foyer

MH - McKay Hall

MK - Main Kitchen

MR - Music Room

NX - Narthex, SC

OS - Offsite

PG - Playground

PO - Pastor's Office

PR - Parlor

SB - Sanctuary Balcony

SC - Sanctuary

SDR - Small Dining Room

SMO - Stephen Ministry

Office

SR - Session Room

TH - Theater

YL - Youth Lounge
(209, 212)