

OCTOBER 10, 2021  
TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST  
11:00AM — SANCTUARY



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FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

WEST WAYNE STREET



## WELCOME TO FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH!

We're so glad that you are here. If you would like to learn more about us, please fill out the information on the Get Connected 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 and Rev. Carrie Winebrenner

†*Those who are able, please stand*

*Congregation responds in bold*

### GATHERING

**PRELUDE** Toccata and Chorale (*Deck Thyself My Soul with Gladness*)

Robert Leech Bedell

### TOLLING OF THE HOUR

### WELCOME

### CALL TO WORSHIP

We gather this morning to remember our call:

**To do justice, to love kindness, and to walk humbly with God.**

We bring with us the events of the week in the world and in our lives,

**Trying to know how to be just and loving and humble in the midst of it all.**

We gather here and see those who are doing justice, who are kind beyond measure, and who set the example for humility.

**With gratitude for living saints, with thankfulness for the purpose of faith,**

Let us worship God.

†**HYMN NO. 12** Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

ST. DENIO

### †CALL TO CONFESSION

It is in our confession where we realize our desire for God and our hope for God's mercy. It is in admitting the truth of our lives that we take the first step toward wholeness and healing. So let us make our confession together.

### †PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**God of all the saints, God of all the sinners, hear our prayer.**

**We would be saint-like: holy, good, patient, loving. But we end up feeling more like sinners – full of failures of morality, selfish, mean. Perhaps You see us simply as human – as beloved, and flawed, and trying, and failing, and succeeding. In all of this, forgive the wrong that we have done, and bless the good we have accomplished. Keep on loving us, and helping us, and molding us more and more into the image of Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.**

## †ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Friends, hear this Good News: the love of God is beyond measure, and you are included in that love. Know that you are forgiven and thus freed to love and serve. Alleluia! Amen.

## †SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

The peace of Christ be with you.  
And also with you.

## †RESPONSIVE HYMN NO. 645 Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above MIT FEUDEN ZART

Sing praise to God who reigns a-bove, the God of all cre - a - tion, the  
God of power, the God of love, the God of our sal - va - tion. With heal-ing balm my  
soul is filled, and ev-ery faith - less mur-mur stilled: to God all praise and glo - ry!

## HEARING THE WORD

### TIME WITH CHILDREN

### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

### OLD TESTAMENT READING

Psalm 1

This is the Word of the Lord.  
Thanks be to God!

### ANTHEM The Water Is Wide

Dan R. Edwards

*Handbell Choir*

### GOSPEL READING

Mark 10:17-31

This is the Word of the Lord.  
Thanks be to God!

### SERMON

“The Eye of the Needle”

Rev. Dr. Annie Epling

## RESPONDING TO THE WORD

†HYMN NO. 819 Be Still, My Soul

FINLANDIA

RECOGNITION OF THE 2020 AND 2021 JUBILEE MEMBERS

ANNOUNCEMENTS

MINUTE FOR MISSION

Kathy Beatty and Tony Belton

PRAYER AND 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 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.

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

*Please place your stewardship pledge card in the offering plate.*

OFFERTORY Prayer for Peace

David M. Cherwien

*Chancel Choir*

*O God of love, O King of peace, make wars throughout the world to cease; the wrath of nations now restrain. Give peace, O God, give peace again. Remember, Lord, thy works of old, the wonders that thy people told; remember not our sin's dark stain. Give peace, O God, give peace again! Whom shall we trust but thee, O Lord? Where rest but on thy faithful word? None ever called on thee in vain. Give peace, O God, give peace again!*

†DOXOLOGY HYMN NO. 711 Lord of All Good

TOULON

Lord, of all good, our gifts we bring to you; use them your ho - ly  
pur-pose to ful - fill, to - kens of love and pledg - es brought a - new,  
that our whole life is of - fered to your will.

## †PRAYER OF DEDICATION OF STEWARDSHIP PLEDGES

We dedicate our gifts to you, O God

**Help us to use them to glorify you; to be vessels of your work in this world.**

We dedicate our pledges to you, O God.

**Guide our leaders as they prepare us financially for the upcoming year.**

Use us, O God, to do your work in this world.

**Encourage us to see that we are all ministers called into the Body of Christ. Use us in your service.**

We pray over these gifts, blessing them in the name of the Creator, Redeemer and Sustainer.

**Amen.**

## SENDING

†HYMN NO. 749 Come! Live in the Light!

WE ARE CALLED

†BENEDICTION

†POSTLUDE Finale in B Minor

H. William Hawke

## NEW JUBILEE MEMBERS

First Presbyterian Church sincerely congratulate our newest Jubilee Members:

### Year Joined: 1970

Joanne Beatty  
Robert Beatty  
Judith C. Dawes  
Dr. Wayne L. Dawes  
Miriam L. Larmore  
Thelma A. Smith  
Diana A. Spindler  
Gary F. Stebbins  
Earl W. Zimmerman

### Year Joined: 1971

James Godschalk  
Everett Hardy  
Marilyn Hardy



## ASSISTING WITH WORSHIP THIS MORNING

**Greeters:** Bob Doerr and Tom Swihart

**Ushers:** Dave Beer, Wendell Cree, Charlotte Epling, Ron Gumbert, Judy Mettler and Tom Mettler

**Director of Music Ministries & Organist:** Brent Neuenschwander

**Assistant Organist:** Kathryn Miller

**Chancel Choir**

**Handbell Choir**

## PASTORS

**Rev. Dr. Anne Bain Epling** (ext. 107)  
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**Rev. Dr. Youngsoo An** (ext. 105)  
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**Rev. Ann Pitman** (ext. 106)  
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Interim Director of Smock Senior Ministries Center  
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**Rev. Carrie Winebrenner** (ext. 112)  
Resident Pastor  
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**Prayer List or to Request Pastoral Care:** If you or a loved one is hospitalized and would like to be added to the prayer list or are seeking pastoral care, please contact the church at 260-426-7421 x106. Please let us know if you would like a visit.

### CHANCEL FLOWERS

The Chancel flowers are given in loving memory of  
John E. McKibben from his family.

### CHILDCARE

Childcare is available in Room 101 for age 5 and under.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR OCTOBER 10, 2021

**Thank you for joining us today.** You are welcome to join us for worship next Sunday, October 17, 2021, at 11:00am for the English in-person service in the Sanctuary (or via Live Stream, Facebook, Website or YouTube); or for the 11:00am Korean in-person service in McMillen Chapel (or via website or YouTube). To use the "Hearing Loop" during the service, please switch your hearing aid or cochlear device to the "T", T-Coil or telephone position. For questions, please call Bill Patterson at 260-609-9696.

### **Berry Street Sidewalks CLOSED:**

The City of Fort Wayne's "Right of Way" department are replacing the sidewalks on Berry Street from Webster Street to Ewing Street. This will affect both entrances on Berry Street for a couple of weeks or so. The City has installed temporary stop signs and made the northwest corner of our building a 4-way stop. Please be careful when adhering to these stop signs. If you have any questions, please call Bill Patterson at 260-609-9696.

### **Monthly Food Pantry Collection:**

The Food Panty relies on your donated food or money to support its program of feeding families caught in crisis situations. The October food needs are Libby's Country Sausage Gravy (cans only), Stove Top Chicken Flavor stuffing mix, oatmeal (individual packets preferred), boxed cereals (any variety), Ramen noodles (any flavor), peanut butter, turkey flavor gravy mix, rice (1 or 2 pound bags/boxes), Hamburger Helper (any variety) and Chicken Noodle soup (family size). Also, all three agencies are requesting gently-used plastic grocery bags (no holes) which they use for distribution of the food items. We prayerfully hope that you will find it in your hearts to support these efforts.

### **Handbell Choir Rehearsals — Thursdays from 5:30-6:30pm in Room 201 and, Chancel Choir Rehearsals — Thursdays from 7:00-8:30pm in the Sanctuary:**

Interested in joining the choir or handbells, contact Brent Neuenschwander 260-426-7421 x137.

### **Wired Word — Sundays @ 10:00am:**

Wired word, a discussion class based on current news articles, meets most Sundays at 10:00am in the 2nd floor parlor. Come join us!

### **Faith, Fibers & Fellowship:**

**FFF** meets every Monday from 3:00pm-5:00 pm in Room 302. All fiber crafters are welcome to bring their own projects. There are just two "rules"....no ink and all beverages must have lids. If you have questions, please contact Marj Sapp (260-413-2639) or Marcie Weissner (260-312-5733)

### **Zip Code Dinners for 46815/46825/46835/46845:**

If you live in one of the above zip codes, be sure and join us for the next Zip Code Dinner tomorrow, Monday, October 11, 2021, at 5:30pm at The Factory Restaurant (5811 Coldwater Road). Please RSVP to Sondra Mergenthal at 260-437-9892 or by email at [lisoninc@aol.com](mailto:lisoninc@aol.com).



### **1st Yoga:**

1st Yoga will next meet on Monday, October 18, 2021, in the Narthex at 6:00pm. A free-will offering will be accepted and mats will be available for purchase if you do not have your own. Chairs may be used rather than mats.

### **Presby 101 — Wednesdays, October 20, 27 & November 3 (possibly) @ 7:00-8:30pm:**

Want to know more about what being a Presbyterian is about? Whether you're considering becoming a Presbyterian -- or just curious -- this class is for you. We'll explore the topics of grace, sin and evil, what the heck predestination means, what it means to declare Jesus as Lord and Savior, how we approach the Bible, and how we live out our faith in the world today. Don't feel overwhelmed, it's all intertwined, and we'll unravel it together. This is a two-week class; however, we may go to three weeks — depending on discussions and questions that may come up. Watch for the Zoom link in the E-News, or contact Rev. Carrie Winebrenner to sign up or ask any questions!

### **End of Life – Planning your Funeral:**

The Stephen Leaders will be offering an in-person class on October 17 and 24, 2021, immediately following morning worship. Beginning with a light lunch, we will meet in the parlor. This is the same class that was offered on line during the Covid shut down. A number of you who were unable to join us then requested another opportunity to participate, and we heard you. Please make reservations by signing up in the Church office or calling the church at: 426-7421, ext. 100.

### **Art Gallery:**

New Directions, our first regularly scheduled exhibition since January of 2020, features the work of five artists. Gallery hours are Monday-Friday 9:00am-5:00pm, Sundays 9:30am-1:00 pm, and during all theater performances. Enjoy!

## **SMOCK SENIOR MINISTRIES**

The following **3B** activities will continue as scheduled on Mondays and Wednesdays:

**Walkers @ 1:00pm** in the Sanctuary — and — **Exercise Class @ 1:30pm** in McKay Hall

### **Presby Day — October 14, 2021:**

The next Presby Day program is scheduled for Thursday, October 14, 2021, at 10:00am in the McKay Hall. Geoff Paddock, a FP member and the council member for the downtown district will be speaking on the progress of the downtown improvement district and what is coming next. **PLEASE NOTE** that the deadline to sign up is today, Sunday, October 10, 2021, so be sure and contact Rev. Ann Pitman at [apitman@firstpresfortwayne.org](mailto:apitman@firstpresfortwayne.org), or call her at 260-426-7421, ext. 106, as soon as possible. Rev. Pitman needs to have a final count by noon tomorrow, Monday, October 11, 2021.

## ON-LINE EVENTS

### **Table Talk 1 — Wednesdays @ 10am via Zoom:**

Join Meeting: [zoom.us/j/241730827](https://zoom.us/j/241730827). Call-in Number: 312-626-6799. Meeting ID: 241 730 827. Passcode: 2604267421.

**Men's Bible Study (all men invited!) — Fridays @ 10:00am via Zoom:** Join Meeting: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/262564318?pwd=UldEa2ZVVmZjTk10YzV1b21adXJmZz09>.

Meeting ID: 262 564 318. Passcode: 2604267421. Contact: Rev. Young Soo An at [ysan@firstpresfortwayne.org](mailto:ysan@firstpresfortwayne.org).

### **Women's Bible Study — Fridays @ 1:00pm via Zoom:**

Join Meeting: <https://zoom.us/j/904041033>. Call-in Number: 312-626-6799. Meeting ID: 904 041 033. Passcode: 2604267421. Contact: Rev. Ann Pitman at [apitman@firstpresfortwayne.org](mailto:apitman@firstpresfortwayne.org).

## CHILDREN, YOUTH AND FAMILIES (CYF)

### **Tough Stuff @ Youth Group — TODAY, Sunday, October 10, 2021 — 12:15-2:00pm:**

How should you think about politics as a follower of Jesus? Well here's the thing: anyone that has authority over you does affect you, whether you know it or not. And the Bible has some important truths to teach us about authority, no matter what our politics are. Our special guest is Geoffrey Paddock, Executive Director, Headwaters Park Alliance and Fort Wayne City Councilman, District 5. Lunch is provided! See you in the Youth Lounge on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor.

## FRIENDS OF FIRST

**Holy Joes:** This club is for working men who are looking for something — perhaps a deeper relationship with God, an incredible bond or friendship with someone who “gets it”, or to be a better husband, father or human.

**Hana Klub:** Hana means one or unity and plays to one of our unique assets here at First Pres, merging both American and Korean culture. If you're interested in any and all things Korean, from K-Pop to Korean fashion and potentially even a visit to South Korea, then this club is for you!

If any of these groups spark your interest or you'd like more information, email Tony Belton at [tbelton@firstpresfortwayne.org](mailto:tbelton@firstpresfortwayne.org).

## ADDITIONAL NOTES

### **Pledges and Offerings:**

We invite you to mail in pledges and offerings to First Presbyterian Church, 300 West Wayne Street, Fort Wayne, IN 46802 or go online and give at [www.firstpresfortwayne.org](http://www.firstpresfortwayne.org), where you can also find updated information on our events. Thank you for your gifts!

### **Nursery Worker Needed:**

We need an assistant to the primary nursery worker because our nursery is growing. Hours are Sunday, 10:45am-12:15pm; pay is a flat \$35.00 for Sunday. Must go through a background check; high school and older preferred. If interested, please email Annie Epling, at [aepling@firstpresfortwayne.org](mailto:aepling@firstpresfortwayne.org).

### **Volunteers Needed for the Front Office on Sundays — 10:00am-12:00pm:**

First Pres needs volunteers for the front office on Sundays. The duties would be greeting people, directing visitors, answering questions, etc. All services will be livestreamed on the front office computer. If it is a Communion Sunday, you will be given the elements. Contact Jiin Jung at [jjung@firstpresfortwayne.org](mailto:jjung@firstpresfortwayne.org) or 260-426-7421 with questions.

### **Project 216 needs MANY Volunteers:**

Have you ever felt overwhelmed by the many problems that exist in this world? Have you wanted to just do something but didn't know where to start? Project 216 exists for just that reason. We are here to help you and your group make a real difference in the fight against world hunger. Our Packing Event program allows you to take ownership of a hunger project and make it your own. We will come alongside you every step of the way with the tools you need to make it happen.

We need many volunteers on **Wednesday, October 13, 2021, at 5:30pm**. Masks are required and no food is allowed. Sign-up sheets in small dining room for individual/team.

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### **CHURCH OFFICE HOURS**

*Monday-Thursday, 9:00am — 5:00pm*

*Fridays, 9:00am — 12:00pm*

**Phone:** 260-426-7421, *press 5 for the Staff Directory*

Visit our **website:** [www.firstpresfortwayne.org](http://www.firstpresfortwayne.org)

**Watch the livestream of our worship services each Sunday  
by going to our Webpage or Facebook page.**

For sermons, go to the **Resources** link, select **Sermons**

Like us on **Facebook:** [www.facebook.com/firstpresfortwayne](http://www.facebook.com/firstpresfortwayne)

Follow us on **Instagram:** [firstpres\\_ftw](https://www.instagram.com/firstpres_ftw)

### **To Submit both Announcements and E-news Material:**

Email Jiin Jung, [jjung@firstpresfortwayne.org](mailto:jjung@firstpresfortwayne.org)

# HERE IS WHAT'S HAPPENING AT FIRST PRES THIS WEEK!

*Office Hours: Monday-Thursday, 9:00am — 5:00pm and Fridays, 9:00am — 12:00pm*

## SUNDAY, OCTOBER 10, 2021 — JUBILEE SUNDAY (CLASS OF 2020 & 2021)

- 10:00am The Wired Word, PR
- 10:00am Chancel Choir Rehearsal, SB
- 10:30am Childcare, NR
- 11:00am English Worship, SC
- 11:00am KLM Worship, CH
- 11:15am Sunday School, Rm 208
- 12:15pm Jubilee Luncheon Celebration, MH
- 12:15pm KLM Fellowship, FH
- 12:15pm Youth Group “Tough Stuff”, Rm 209/212
- 2:00pm Rehearsal for “Bad Seed”, TH

## MONDAY, OCTOBER 11, 2021 — COLUMBUS DAY

- 1:00pm 3B Walkers, SC
- 1:30pm 3B Exercise Class, MH/W
- 3:00pm Faith, Fibers & Fellowship, Rm 302
- 7:00pm Rehearsal for “Bad Seed”, TH

## TUESDAY, OCTOBER 12, 2021

- 11:05am Staff Worship Planning, SR
- 2:00pm Amistad Commission Meeting, SR
- 4:00pm Congregational Life Committee Mtg., SR
- 4:00pm Cont. Christians World View Com., SDR
- 5:00pm Board of Deacons Meeting, PR
- 5:30pm Missions Committee Meeting, SR
- 7:00pm Rehearsal for “Bad Seed”, TH

## WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2021

- 9:00am Hunger Relief Food Delivery, MH
- 10:00am Table Talk 1, ZM
- 2:45pm Project 216 Set Up, MH
- 5:00pm Stephen Ministry Training Class, SR
- 5:30pm Project 216, MH
- 7:00pm Rehearsal for “Bad Seed”, TH

## THURSDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2021

- 10:00am Presby Day, MH
- 1:00pm Stephen Ministry Leader Team, SM/O
- 5:30pm Handbell Rehearsal, Rm 201
- 7:00pm Rehearsal for “Bad Seed”, TH
- 7:00pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal, SB
- 8:00pm “Holy Joes”, OS

## FRIDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2021

- 10:00am Men’s Bible Study, ZM
- 1:00pm Women’s Bible Study, ZM

## SATURDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2021

- 9:00am Downtown Fright Night, OS (until 11:00pm)
- 10:00am Rescue Mission Meal Prep, KT

## SUNDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2021

- 10:00am The Wired Word, PR
- 10:00am Chancel Choir Rehearsal, SB
- 10:30am Childcare, Rm 101
- 11:00am English Worship, SC
- 11:00am Korean Worship, CH
- 11:15am Sunday School, Rm 208
- 12:00pm Rescue Mission Food Delivery, OS
- 12:15pm Hospitality Time, MH/E
- 12:15pm KLM Fellowship, FH
- 12:30pm End of Life, Part 1, PR
- 2:00pm Rehearsal for “Bad Seed”, TH

***Please stop by the Church Office  
with any questions  
or to learn how to get connected to  
church events.***

### ROOM ABBREVIATIONS

CH	Chapel	MH/E	McKay Hall East	SDR	Small Dining Room
CL	Chapel Lounge	MH/W	McKay Hall West	SM/O	Stephen Ministry Office
CN	Chapel Narthex	MR	Music Room	SR	Session Room
CY	Courtyard	NP	North Parking Lot	TH	Theater
FH	Fellowship Hall	NX	Narthex	YL	Youth Lounge
FO	Front Office	NR	Nursery	ZM	Zoom
GL	Gallery	OS	Offsite		
KT	Kitchen	PR	Parlor		
MF	McKay Foyer	SB	Sanctuary Balcony		
MH	McKay Hall	SC	Sanctuary		