

NOVEMBER 14, 2021
TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
11:00AM — SANCTUARY



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 In the Cross of Christ I Glory
Prelude in D Major

Timothy Albrecht
Johann Caspar Ferdinand Fischer

TOLLING OF THE HOUR

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

Our God is strong, like a rock.

We come to worship the God of justice and joy.

Our God cares for the ones the world forgets.

We come to worship the God of justice and joy.

Our God is the one who gives life and who guards the future.

We come to worship the God of justice and joy.

Come, let us worship God.

†**HYMN NO. 41** O Worship the King, All Glorious Above!

LYONS

†CALL TO CONFESSION

†PRAYER OF CONFESSION

We praise your holy name from morning to night, oh Lord,
yet we build walls that separate us: from you,

from one another, from the world, and even from ourselves.

We place stumbling blocks in the way of goodness and truth.

We are led astray by promises of earthly treasure.

Teach us to pray and praise without pause, confessing hope ceaselessly.

Guide us in our efforts to encourage one another,

to work together for good in the world,

and to prepare for the day of the Lord.

†WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Through the gift of Jesus Christ, God assures us that we are pardoned, forgiven, absolved, and released from our sin. Know that you are forgiven and be at peace. Amen.

†SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

†RESPONSIVE HYMN NO. 37 Let All Things Now Living

ASH GROVE

(Children are welcome to come forward for the "Time with Children" as we sing the responsive hymn.)



Let all things now liv-ing a song of_ thanks - giv - ing to God our Cre - a - tor tri -
um-phant - ly raise; who fash - ioned and made us, pro - tect - ed_ and stayed us, by guid - ing us
on to the end of our days. God's ban - ners are o'er us; pure light goes be - fore us, a
pil - lar of_ fire shin - ing forth in the night: till shad - ows have van - ished, all fear - ful - ness
ban - ished, as for - ward we__ trav - el from light in - to light.

HEARING THE WORD

TIME WITH CHILDREN

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Psalms 16

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

ANTHEM Festive Variations

Michael Helman

Handbell Choir

GOSPEL READING

Mark 13:1-8

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

SERMON

“The End Times”

Rev. Dr. Annie Epling

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

†AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

This I truly believe.

I believe in Jesus the Christ.

I believe in the ever-present Spirit

I believe in God whose love transforms all things.

Though false teachers come and delude the gullible,
God's truth remains sure.

Though temples crumble and churches wither,
God's gospel remains sure.

Though earthquakes strike and diseases ravage,
God's purpose remains sure.

Though good people suffer injustice and persecution,
God's love remains sure.

Though saints go to prison or face execution,
God's life remains sure.

I believe in God who treasures and nurtures us,
who yearns over the fate of each one as if they were all,
and who turns loss to gain and defeat to victory.

This I truly believe. Amen!

†HYMN NO. 213 In the Cross of Christ I Glory

RATHBUN

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

OFFERTORY Kumbaya

Paul Sjolund

Chancel Choir

Kumbaya, my Lord, Oh Lord, Kumbaya. Someone's prayin', Lord, kumbaya. Someone's cryin', Lord, Kumbaya. Someone's singin', Lord, Kumbaya. Sing alleluia! Lord! Kumbaya!

†**DOXOLOGY HYMN NO. 643** Now Thank We All Our God

NUN DANKET ALLE GOTT

Now thank we all our God with heart and hands and voice - es, who won-drous things hath
 done, in whom this world re - joice - es; who, from our mothers' arms, hath blessed us on our
 way with count - less gifts of love, and still is ours to - day.

†**PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

Mighty God, Architect of the Universe; your work of creation and building is always before us! We give our gifts this day in hopes that we might be co-builders with you in the creation of your kingdom here on earth! May our gifts also reach others who are hurting, who feel disconnected from your love, that they too may join us in the stonework of kingdom-building, whose mortar is the sharing of Christ's love with the world. In Christ, our Savior and Redeemer, we pray. Amen.

SENDING

†**HYMN NO. 307** God of Grace and God of Glory

CWM RHONDDA

†**BENEDICTION**

†**POSTLUDE** Neues Pedal-Exercitium

George Ritchie

SERVICE NOTES

Hymn 41: O Worship the King, All Glorious Above! — Text: Robert Grant, 1833, alt. Music Joseph Martin Krause, 1784, alt. Addressing the first two stanzas to the singers of the hymn and the last three to God, this free paraphrase of Psalm 104 recasts the psalmist's imagery with baroque verve. Though it was first published in England, the tune has been more popular in North America than there.

Hymn 213: In the Cross of Christ I Glory — Text: John Bowring, 1825; Music: Ithamar Conkey, 1849. Like Isaac Watt's "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross" (nos. 223, 224), this hymn is a reflection on Galatians 6:14, but this text is more abstract and devotes no attention to the person hanging on the cross. The tune is named for a soloist in the composer's Connecticut choir.

Hymn 307: God of Grace and God of Glory — Text: Harry Emerson Fosdick, 1930, alt. Music: John Hughes, 1907. This stirring hymn used at the opening of Riverside Church in New York in 1930 was penned by its widely-known and influential pastor, Harry Emerson Fosdick, and it has gained a firm place in English-language hymnals around the world. The Welsh tune name honors the Rhondda Valley in Glamorganshire.

THE SESSION

Moderator: Rev. Dr. Anne B. Epling

Clergy: Rev. Dr. Youngsoo An

Treasurer: Steve Weissner

Clerk of Session: Luci Foltz

Assistant Clerk: Sally Swihart

<u>CLASS OF 2022</u>	<u>CLASS OF 2023</u>	<u>CLASS OF 2024</u>
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ASSISTING WITH WORSHIP THIS MORNING

Greeters: Laurie Satter and Tom Swihart

Ushers: Dave Beer, Charlotte Epling, Eric Evans, John Ruble, Jerry Winters and Anita Wolfe

Director of Music Ministries & Organist: Brent Neuenschwander

Assistant Organist: Kathryn Miller

Chancel Choir

Handbell Choir

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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 Fritz and David L. Ruoff by Judy Ruoff and family.

CHILDCARE

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR NOVEMBER 14, 2021

Thank you for joining us today. You are welcome to join us for worship next Sunday, November 21, 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.

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 November food needs are Libby’s Country Sausage Gravy (cans only), Stove Top chicken or turkey flavored stuffing mix, mini marshmallows, canned yams, cream of mushroom soup, French fried onions, turkey flavored gravy mix (packets), boxed or bagged mashed potato mix, canned green beans and brown sugar (small sizes). We prayerfully hope that you will find it in your hearts to support these efforts.

The Gallery’s Painting and Glass Exhibition: You are invited to come down to the gallery after today’s 11:00am service to see our latest exhibition. Featured are paintings by Maurice Papier and glass by Hot Shop Valpo.

Thanksgiving Meal — Hosted by Korean Language Ministries: On Sunday, November 21, 2021, all members are invited to this annual meal for Korean War Veterans and the English congregation. It will follow the 11:00am service in McKay Hall. RSVPs are encouraged for this delicious Thanksgiving turkey and Korean cuisine. Please RSVP by signing up on the sheet in the church office or via E-news online. The deadline to sign up is tomorrow, Monday, November 15, 2021.

Section Leader Recital: On Sunday, November 21, 2021, at 3:00pm, Tenor Section Leader, Quinton Davis will be presenting his junior vocal recital in the First Pres Sanctuary. Come for a delightful hour of music as Quinton fulfills this portion of his degree from at PFW.

Trans Day of Remembrance 2021: Transgender Day of Remembrance (TDOR) is an annual observance that honors the memory of the transgender people murdered or bullied in acts of anti-transgender violence. The event is held in November to honor Rita Hester, a trans woman of color who was murdered on November 28, 1998. This year, a special prayer service will be held on the evening of Sunday, November 21, 2021, at 6:30pm in the Chapel where candles will be lit in remembrance of those who have lost their lives and in honor of those who stand resilient. Prayers, scripture, and stories from and for the trans community will be shared. All are welcome. Please contact Pastor Carrie with any questions.

Christmas Wish Tree for 2021: The First Pres Courtyard will shine brightly thanks to a project spearheaded by the Korean group. We hope this event will give us a moment to share love, courage and warmth with families. Ornaments are now available for pick up in the church office. You can start hanging the ornaments on the tree on Sunday, November 21, 2021.

We invite you to the lighting Ceremony on Wednesday, November 24, 2021, at 6:00pm in the Courtyard. Any questions, please contact Rev. An ysan@firstpresfortwayne.org.

City of Churches Event: Please join us in exploring the beautiful edifices that give Fort Wayne the title of “City of Churches”! This year’s event is on Friday, December 3, 2021, from 6:00-10:00pm and includes the following churches: Broadway Christian, Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, Emmanuel Lutheran, First Missionary, First Presbyterian, Peace Lutheran, St. John Lutheran, St. John the Baptist Catholic, St. Patrick Catholic, St. Paul Lutheran, St. Peter Catholic and Trinity Episcopal.

No tickets necessary. This is a self-guided tour, so you may choose to visit whichever church in whatever order you choose! There are online maps available.

Gingerbread House Decorating Party: You are invited to a Gingerbread House decorating party hosted by Annie Epling on Saturday, December 4, 2021, from 10:00am to 12:00pm (or whenever you’re done) in the Fellowship Hall. The cost is \$15.00 per gingerbread house which includes a pre-built house and fun candy to make your house your own. Children and adults are welcome for a fun and festive morning. Sign-up in the church office or via the Eventbrite link in the weekly E-news.

Hear Ye, Hear Ye, One and All...Monthly Dinners for Our Zip Code Groups Call!
What better way to socialize than by getting together once a month for dinner and adult company? There are no officers, no committee work or minutes and no deadlines to meet – just good food and conversation. We’ve added and shuffled some of the zip codes around to help the balance and to get more of our First Pres friends involved. We promise not to check driver’s licenses or passports if you decide to go to a different zip code dinner other than your own!

The following is the breakdown of the two new zip code groups we’ve put together: Group #1 includes zip codes 46802, 46806, 46807 and 46809; and Group #2 includes 46805, 46808, 46816, 46818 and 46819. The place and time will be determined when the groups are formed. Please RSVP your interest to carolkettler50@gmail.com. We look forward to visiting with you soon! Thank you! – The Congregational Life Committee

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.

Smock Trips, Tours & Shows: Please join us for the last Smock show of 2021 which will be on Thursday, December 9, 2021, with the Smock bus departing at 10:15am.



We will have dinner first, and then we will see "A Musical Christmas Carol" which is told in a classic way and true to the original story by Charles Dickens.

This brand new original production brings to life the timeless characters of the miserly, bitter and selfish Ebenezer Scrooge, his nephew Fred who seeks to be a light to Scrooge, the ever optimistic and grateful Bob Cratchit, his joyful family and Tiny Tim with his faith and love for everyone and many more! The streets of London come alive with singing and dancing, and families join together around the fire in the first epic song "When Christmas Eve Arrives."

You will come away inspired, joyful, and full of hope with this exciting new musical that seeks to celebrate the true meaning of Christmas and the light of truth and human kindness that is all around us!

To make your reservation, please call Rev. Ann Pitman, at 260-426-7421 ext. 106. The cost is \$35.00 so please make your check out to **First Presbyterian Church, mark Smock on the memo line** and mail to 300 West Wayne Street, Fort Wayne, IN 46802. We hope to see you there!!

ON-LINE EVENTS

Table Talk 1 — Wednesdays @ 10am via Zoom: Table Talk 1 (Women's Book Study) will begin a new book on Wednesday, December 1, 2021. The group meets via Zoom at 10:00 am. We take turns "reading around the table", so no homework is assigned. We will be reading The Gnostic Gospels by Elaine Pagels.

If you would like to join us, please contact Marj Sapp (260-413-2639) or Marcie Weissner (260-312-5733) to "register" and to obtain the Zoom codes. You are welcome to check the public library or purchase the book on your own. If you would like to have us order a book for you, please contact Marj or Marcie by Wednesday, November 17, 2021. The cost will be \$15.51. If paying by check, please make it out to First Presbyterian Church and note "Table Talk 1 book" on the memo line.

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.

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.

CHILDREN, YOUTH AND FAMILIES (CYF)

Youth Group Tough Stuff — Today, Sunday, November 14, 2021 @ 12:15pm: Today's Youth Group TOUGH STUFF is about practicing active listening and storytelling in a safe and supportive environment. It is through our stories that our heart can be heard. Join us at 12:15pm for TOUGH STUFF with the women who organized ChangeMakers Fort Wayne. They will share their own stories of racial injustice and systemic oppression in our own city, and we'll hear what these powerful yet-often-silenced women stand for, work for, and live for. Lunch will be provided! See Pastor Carrie with any questions!

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

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by going to our Webpage or Facebook page.

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

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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, NOVEMBER 14, 2021

- 10:00am The Wired Word, PR
- 10:00am Chancel Choir Rehearsal, SB
- 10:30am Childcare, Rm 101
- 11:00am English Worship Service, SC
- 11:00am Korean Worship Service, CH
- 11:00am KLM Kids Worship Ministry, CL
- 11:15am Sunday School, Rm 208
- 12:15pm Gallery Opening of "Valpo Hot Glass", GL
- 12:15pm KLM Fellowship, FH
- 12:15pm Youth Group "Tough Stuff", Rm 209/212
- 5:00pm Auditions for "Sylvia", TH

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 2021

- 1:00pm 3B Walkers, SC
- 1:30pm 3B Exercise Class, MH/W
- 3:00pm Faith, Fibers & Fellowship, Rm 302
- 7:00pm Auditions for "Sylvia", TH

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 2021

- 11:05am Staff Worship Planning, SR
- 2:00pm Fine Arts Meeting, Rm 302
- 5:45pm Session Meal, MH
- 6:30pm Session Meeting, SR

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 2021

- 9:00am Hunger Relief Food Delivery, MH
- 10:00am Table Talk 1, ZM
- 1:00pm 3B Walkers, SC
- 1:30pm 3B Exercise Class, MH/W
- 5:00pm Stephen Ministry Class, SR

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2021

- 1:00pm Stephen Ministry Leader Team, SM/O
- 5:30pm Handbell Rehearsal, Rm 201
- 7:00pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal, SB
- 8:00pm "Holy Joes", OS

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 2021

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

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 2021

- 10:00am Rescue Mission Meal Prep, KT

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 2021

- 10:00am The Wired Word, PR
- 10:00am Chancel Choir Rehearsal, SB
- 10:30am Childcare, Rm 101
- 11:00am English Worship Service, SC
- 11:00am Korean Worship Service, CH
- 11:00am KLM Kids Worship Ministry, CL
- 11:15pm Sunday School, Rm 208
- 12:00pm Rescue Mission Food Delivery, OS
- 12:15pm Korean Thanksgiving Dinner, MH
- 3:00pm Section Leader Recital, Quinton Davis, SC
- 6:30pm Trans Day of Remembrance Service, CH

*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		