

JUNE 12, 2022
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 Prelude on Rhosymedre (or “Lovely”)

Ralph Vaughan Williams

TOLLING OF THE HOUR

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

God calls us to love our neighbor as ourselves;
the one who is weak and the one who is strong,
the one who is happy and the one who is sad,
the one who is enjoying mental wellness today
and the one who is struggling with mental illness today,
the one whom we understand and the one we don't,
the one who is embraced and the one who is shunned,
the one who is like us and the one who is different.

Come, let us worship together!

We come, trusting God's abundant love!

†**HYMN NO. 1** Holy, Holy, Holy

NICAEA

†**CALL TO CONFESSION**

Within most of us there is a mourning, an empty space which was once filled or which we expected to fill, a sense of ourselves which is no longer there, a way of being and living which has gone. Within us there is a loss, a grieving for something held precious. In this moment we claim the dignity of our human journey, our travelling with a grief. In self-respect we claim it for ourselves and in compassion, we honor it in others. In faith, we lay it before a loving God. It is like a white light which burns within us in the dignity of our living. Trusting in God's grace, let us confess our sin.

†**PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Loving God, as children many of us were taught that there were just some “things” a person doesn't talk about. Among that list was mental illness. We used all kinds of euphemisms to refer to people who were mentally ill and needed healing, but we did not equate an illness in the brain in the same way we spoke of a physical illness. We heard people speak in hushed tones or behind closed doors and we did not understand but we

could sense that what they were talking about was bad. We don't blame people when they get a cold, or get cancer. Why do we blame them for a mental illness they have little control over? Help us to become informed people. Help us to get rid of the stigma that has surrounded mental illness for so long by learning more about it and speaking up to assist and protect those who are living with mental illness so that their lives can be better. So that those who need help, will seek it out the help they need and so that insurance will cover the expense of getting that help.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Jesus said: Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.

In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

Thanks be to God!

†SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

†RESPONSIVE HYMN NO. 581 Glory Be to the Father

GLORIA PATRI

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

The musical score is written in 4/4 time with a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat). It consists of four systems, each with a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The lyrics are: "Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther, and to the Son, and to the Ho - ly Ghost; as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and ev - er shall be, world with - out end. A - men, a - men." The piano accompaniment features block chords and simple rhythmic patterns, primarily using quarter and eighth notes. The vocal line is a simple melody with some rests. The piece concludes with a double bar line and a final chord in the piano part.

HEARING THE WORD

TIME WITH CHILDREN

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Psalm 8

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Romans 5:1-5

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

SOLO Father of Body, Mind, and Spirit

Wilfred Karsten/Matthew Machermer

Cassandra Petrie, Mezzo-Soprano

Father of body, mind, and spirit when troubles thunder through my life, speak your clear word that I may hear it; muffle the din, destroy all strife. Make every anxious worry flee; bring now your promised peace to me.

Savior, my Shepherd, strong and caring nothing can pluck me from your hand. Spare me from hopelessly despairing; raise up my faith, help me to stand. Through your shed blood on Calvary bring now your promised peace to me.

Comforter Spirit, Intercessor praying for me with groaning sighs. Molding me as a bold confessor; holding the cross before my eyes. Calm my emotions, hear my plea: bring now your promised peace to me.

O Father, Son and Holy Spirit you hold my future days in view. By grace, through faith I will inherit perfect, untroubled life with you. Trusting in this blest certainty bring then your promised peace to me.

GOSPEL READING

Matthew 9:12-13

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

SERMON

“The Milking Stool”

Rev. Ann Pitman

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

†AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

This is the Good News that we have received, in which we stand

and by which we are saved if we hold it fast:

that Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures,

that he was buried,

that he was raised on the third day,
and that he appeared first to the women,
then to Peter, and to the Twelve, and then to many faithful witnesses.
We believe that Jesus is our Christ, the Son of the living God
Jesus Christ is the first and the last, the beginning and the end;
He is our Lord and our God.

HYMN NO. 796 We Come to You for Healing, Lord

LAND OF REST

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PASTORAL 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 We Pray Now to the Holy Spirit chorale prelude by Dietrich Buxtehude

†**DOXOLOGY HYMN NO. 606** Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow 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

Holy God, you have given us so much—

The beauty of the world, the care of family and friends, meaningful labor, and the gift of the church. We give you thanks for these and many other gifts. Most especially, we thank you for pouring your love into our hearts through the Holy Spirit. Through these offerings, may your love spill over in glad abundance that brings relief, renewal, and hope to those in need. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.

SENDING

†HYMN NO. 702 Christ Be Beside Me

BUNESSAN

†BENEDICTION

†POSTLUDE Prelude No. 1 in c minor

Felix Mendelssohn

SERVICE NOTES

Hymn 1: Holy, Holy, Holy — Text: Reginald Heber, 1827, alt. Korean translation — *The Christian Literature Society of Korea*; Spanish translation — Juan B. Cabrera. Music: John Bacchus Dykes, 1861; desc. David McKinley Williams, 1948. Much of the imagery of this hymn comes from Revelation 4:2-11, which its author, an Anglican bishop, knew as a reading appointed for Trinity Sunday. The tune, written specifically for this text, reinforces the Trinitarian theme by strong dependence on the D-major triad.

The solo, *Father of Body, Mind and Spirit*, was commissioned in the Fall of 2021 by the Lutheran Foundation as an original hymn that would speak to mental health. Several hymn lyricists submitted texts, and a small committee reviewed the submissions and selected a hymn text written by Rev. Dr. Wilfred Karsten, Pastor of Holy Cross Lutheran Church, Moline IL. The title of the hymn he composed is *Father of Body, Mind and Spirit*. In the conversation we had with Rev. Karsten prior to him composing the text, we emphasized that, in the church, we comfortably talk about our spiritual health, and we are usually comfortable talking about and praying for our physical health. However, there is often stigma or silence in the church related to our mental health. Nevertheless, God has created us with spirit, body, and mind. Recognizing our mental and emotional senses, Rev. Karsten references in his hymn such words and phrases as, “make ev’ry anxious worry flee,” “spare me from hopelessly despairing,” and “calm my emotions, hear my plea.” Additionally, an original tune was composed for this hymn by Matthew Macherer, Associate Kantor at Concordia Theological Seminary, Fort Wayne. Kantor Macherer’s musical arrangement reflects a calming presence and bold confession of the words we sing. The last three measures add a strong exclamation point to the truth of God’s promised peace that He provides to His people.

Hymn 796: We Come to You for Healing, Lord — Text: Herman G. Stuempfle, Jr., 2002. Music: American folk melody; arr. Annabel Morris Buchanan, 1938. Unlike many hymns on the theme of healing, this text appropriately includes the ministry of medical personnel as instruments of God’s healing activity. It also acknowledges that illness is no limited to physical symptoms, but involves mental, emotional and spiritual dimensions.

Hymn 702: Christ Be Beside Me — Text: James Quinn, SJ, 1969. Music: Gaelic melody; arr. Dale Grotenhuis, 1985. This text adapts part of a traditional Irish prayer associate with St. Patrick. Such a prayer for protection is known as a *lorica*, from the Latin word for “breastplate” or “armor.” It is set to a Gaelic melody that gained wide popularity in the 1970s.

Call to Worship: ~ The United Church of Christ Mental Health Network

Call to Confession ~Dorothy McRae-McMahon

Psalms 8 is the first Psalm of praise in the psalter and celebrates God as creator.

ASSISTING WITH WORSHIP THIS MORNING

Greeters: Judy Mettler and Steve Weissner

Ushers: Anne Barnett, Dave Beer, Charlotte Epling, Jack Patton, Dan Serban and Jerry Winters

Assistant Organist: Kathryn Miller

Mezzo-Soprano: Cassandra Petrie

Tenor: Quinton Davis

Live Stream: Dick Florea

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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.

CHILDCARE

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR JUNE 12, 2022

Thank you for joining us today! You are welcome to come for worship on Sunday, June 12, 2022, at the 11:00am English service in the Sanctuary (or via Live Stream, Facebook, Website or YouTube); or for the 11:00am Korean service in McMillen Chapel (or via website or YouTube).

Call for Congregational Meeting — June 26, 2022 after 11:00am Service: The congregation of First Presbyterian Church, Fort Wayne, Indiana will meet on Sunday, June 26, 2022, immediately following the 11:00am worship service. The congregation will meet for the purposes of hearing the report of the Associate Pastor Task Force, and act on its recommendation to call Rev. Carrie Winebrenner as Associate Pastor, and approve the Terms of Call recommended by the Session and the Personnel Committee for Staff and Ministers.

COMMITTEE

Men of the Church: The Ambassadors Committee is looking forward to hosting a light breakfast for you from 8:00-9:00am on Tuesday, June 14, 2022.

If you've been active in the church for years, you've undoubtedly noticed a lot of new faces over the past couple of years. If you are fairly new to the church, we realize you may not yet have found ways to engage with others. This is an opportunity to sit down with one another and become acquainted!

Since an RSVP would be helpful, please sign up at the office window or call the office at 260-426-4721 or email Kathy Beatty (kathybeatty3755@gmail.com) with a quick note to say you'll join us. Meanwhile, please reach out and encourage your friends and new folks to come. See you soon!

COMMUNITY

Monthly Food Pantry Collection: The Food Pantry relies on your donated food or money to support its program of feeding families caught in crisis situations. The June food needs are: Applesauce cups, Box or bagged dry cereal, Boxed or bagged mashed potato mix, canned Peaches or pears, Corned beef hash, Gravy mix packets, Peanut Butter, Spaghetti noodles, and Spaghetti sauce (cans).

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.

If you are worshipping remotely, you can send monetary donations to the church at: First Presbyterian Church, Attn: Financial Office—Hunger Relief for June, 300 W. Wayne St, Fort Wayne, IN 46802.

DINNER GROUPS

Downtown Dinner Group: The Downtown Dinner Group will meet tomorrow, Monday, June 13 at 5:30pm at Hall's Gas House (305 E Superior Street). Please RSVP to Joyce McGiffin at 260-409-2426 or by email at krinks52@hotmail.com. All are welcome!

North Side Dinner Group: Be sure to join the North Side Dinner Group tomorrow, Monday, June 13 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.

South Side Dinner Group: Please join us for the South Side Dinner Group at Hall's Tavern at Coventry (5745 Coventry Lane) tomorrow, Monday, June 13 at 5:30pm. Hope to see you there!

ARTS AT FIRST PRES

Revised Gallery Hours: The following revised hours have been established for the Gallery — Tuesday-Thursday from 12:00pm-5:00pm with all other times by appointment only.

SENIOR MINISTRIES

Exercise -- 3B – will continue throughout the summer on Mondays and Wednesdays.

Walkers @ 1:00pm, on your own around the building – and --- **Exercise Class @ 1:30pm** in McKay Hall.

Upcoming Plays – We will leave First Presbyterian Church at 9:30am, lunch at the Boathouse at 11am and play at the Wagon Wheel at 2pm. Anticipated return 5:30 – 6 pm. The plays cost \$35. Everyone pays for their lunch on their own.

June 23 — we will be going to see “Legally Blonde” (comedy) at the Wagon Wheel and will be on the same schedule as above. If you are interested in going, please let Ann know as soon as you can.

July 7—Brigadoon, a musical, by Lerner and Lowe

Memoirs Class—We will have a Memoirs Class for anyone interested in writing their Memoirs, stories about some of your life experiences. It will begin July 13, from 2:30—4pm.

There is still time and room to sign up for both the plays and the Memoirs class. Please contact Rev. Ann Pitman to make reservations. Email: apitman@firstpresfortwayne.org or call 260-426-7421, ext. 106.

ADDITIONAL NOTES

Hearing Loop: 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.

Faith, Fibers, and Fellowship- Tote Bag Class :We're hosting a class to make a tote bag on Saturday, June 25, in McKay Hall. The class will be limited to 20 crafters. It will be taught by Susan Gibbs and Peg Reed (from Trinity Pres). Call, text, or email to register and if you have questions: Marj Sapp 413.2639 marj.sapp@gmail.com or Marcie Weissner 312.5733 marcie5073@aol.com.

Table Talk (Women’s Book Study) — Wednesdays @ 10:00am via Zoom: Meeting ID: 241 730 827. Passcode: 2604267421. We will begin a new book on Wednesday, July 6. We take turns “reading around the table”, so no homework is assigned. We will be reading If God is Love, Don’t Be a Jerk by John Pavlovitz (2021). You are welcome to check the public library or purchase the book on your own. If you would like to have us order a paperback copy for you, please contact Marcie Weissner (312.5733 or marcie5073@aol.com) by June 22. The cost will be about \$14.50 – we’ll let you know for sure when the books arrive. If paying by check, please make it out to First Presbyterian Church and note “Table Talk 1 book” on the memo line.

Men’s Men’s Bible Study: Please note that the Men’s Bible Study on Fridays will **not** meet during the summer. They will resume on Friday, September 9, 2022.

Women’s Bible Study — Fridays @ 1:00pm via Zoom: Call-in Number: 312-626-6799. Meeting ID: 904 041 033. Passcode: 2604267421. Contact: Rev. Ann Pitman at apitman@firstpresfortwayne.org.

Hospital Stays: With the increased concerns over patient’s privacy, hospitals are very limited in what information they can release to churches. When you are admitted to the hospital, please ask someone to notify the church office so that our pastors can provide appropriate care.

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, where you can also find updated information on our events. Thank you for your gifts!

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Thursday, 9:00am — 5:00pm

Friday, 9:00am — 12:00pm

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

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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

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

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

SUNDAY, JUNE 12, 2022

10:45am Childcare, Rm 101
 11:00am English Worship Service, SC
 11:00am Korean Worship Service, CH
 12:15pm Hospitality Time, MH
 12:15pm KLM Fellowship, FH

MONDAY, JUNE 13, 2022

1:00pm Stephen Leaders Team Meeting, SM/O
 1:00pm 3B Walkers
 1:30pm 3B Exercise, MH
 3:00pm Faith, Fiber and Fellowship, Rm 302

TUESDAY, JUNE 14, 2022

11:00am Staff Worship Planning, SR
 2:00pm Fine Arts Committee Meeting, Rm 302
 4:00pm Cont. Christians World View Committee, SDR

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 15, 2022

9:00am Hunger Relief Food Delivery MH/.W
 10:00am Table Talk, ZM
 1:00pm 3B Walkers
 1:30pm 3B Exercise, MH
 2:30pm Directory Team Meeting, Rm 207

THURSDAY, JUNE 16, 2022

10:00am Presby Day Event, MH
 4:30pm Performance Arts Committee, Rm 209/212

FRIDAY, JUNE 17, 2022

10:00am David E. John's Visitation, CN
 11:00am David E. John's Memorial Service, CH
 1:00pm Women's Bible Study, ZM

SATURDAY, JUNE 18, 2022

10:00am Mission Meal Prep, KT

SUNDAY, JUNE 19, 2022

10:00am Chancel Choir Rehearsal, SB
 10:00am St. Joseph Sign Up, SDR
 10:45am Childcare, Rm 101
 11:00am English Worship Service, SC
 11:00am Korean Worship Service, CH
 11:15pm Sunday School, Rm 210
 12:00pm Mission Meal Delivery, OS
 12:15pm Green Team Meeting, 3rd FL
 12:15pm Hospitality Time, MH
 12:15pm KLM Fellowship, FH

ROOM ABBREVIATIONS

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| 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 |
| DS | Day School | NX | Narthex | YL | Youth Lounge |
| FH | Fellowship Hall | NR | Nursery | ZM | Zoom |
| FO | Front Office | OS | Offsite | | |
| GL | Gallery | PR | Parlor | | |
| KT | Kitchen | SB | Sanctuary Balcony | | |
| MF | McKay Foyer | SC | Sanctuary | | |
| MH | McKay Hall | | | | |

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