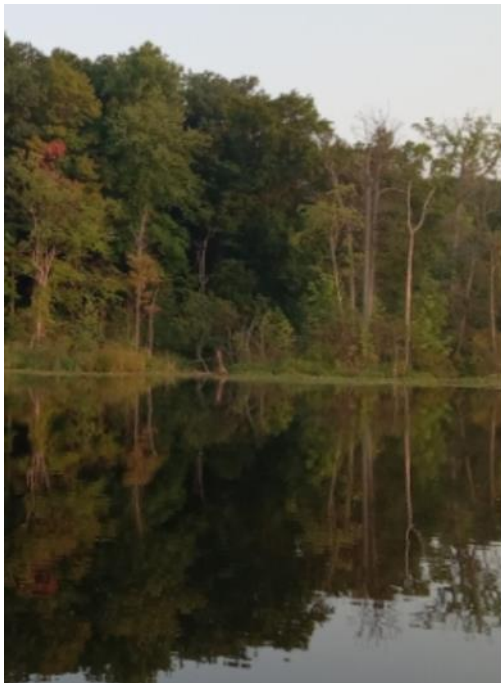


September 1 , 2024
Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost
9:30am — Chapel



Isaiah 55:12,
Brent Neuenschwander, 2024



Light Dawns on a Weary World,
Carrie Winebrenner, 2024



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

WEST WAYNE STREET

Welcome to First Presbyterian Church!

Thank you for joining us today! We're grateful for your presence and invite you to take part in our worship, mission, and programs. Please join us after worship for coffee, cookies, and punch in our fellowship hall, called McKay Hall. Just follow the crowd, and you cannot miss it! Livestreaming is available to watch via the website or YouTube, but we know this is no substitute for the community built through in-person connections. We're glad you're here!

Rev. Dr. Anne Epling (she/her), Rev. Carrie Winebrenner (she/her)

Rev. Dr. Youngsoo An (he/him), Rev. Ann Pitman (she/her)

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Please silence and put away your cellphone as you enter this worship space.

**Those who are able, please stand*

Congregation responds in bold

GATHERING

Prelude

Thou Shalt Bring Them In
Rigaudon

George Frederick Handel
André Campra

Call to Worship

The Spirit is coming to bless us all with a new song:

Let our joy be complete!

Gifts for the good of all, poured out on all to teach us a new song:

Love one another!

Strangers and neighbors, foreigners and family will join in the new song:

No longer servants but friends!

Come, let our worship make a joyful noise,

Rejoicing in the joyful friendship of God.

***Hymn No. 744** Arise, Your Light Is Come!

FESTAL SONG

***Call to Confession**

On this Labor Day Sunday, let us lift up all people who labor, either for pay or as volunteers, in jobs or at school, at this church, at home, or in the workplace, here in Indiana and all around the world. Let us also confess our complacency in a system that exploits instead of celebrates.

***Prayer of Confession**

We are workers, God, just like you, but we confess that our actions do not always affirm and honor each other. We confess that, on some occasions, we have blindly bought goods made by people who are paid too little or work in unsafe conditions.

We have failed to end an unjust system in which some workers have jobs that provide good wages and benefits while others may have no job, or one that pays little and provides few benefits.

Creator God, help us to be your people, working for a world where all workers are valued. A world where those who clean houses are also able to buy houses to live in. A world where those who grow food can also afford to eat their fill, and one where those who serve and care for others are, themselves, also served and cared for. A world where all laborers share in the abundance that you have given us. Amen.

***Assurance of Forgiveness**

Our God is a God of grace and transformation. When we ask, God gives us the courage and strength to live out our faith in the workplace and the marketplace, as well as in the sanctuary.

With joy, we are forgiven. With joy, we are given a new chance. With joy, we are loved. Amen.

***Passing the Peace of Christ**

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

As you are comfortable, we invite you to take a moment to share the Peace of Christ with those around you with a smile, wave, or other signs of connection.

***Responsive Hymn No. 475** Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

NETTLETON

Come, thou Fount of ev-ery bless-ing; tune my heart to sing thy grace; streams of mer-cy, nev-er
ceas-ing, call for songs of loud-est praise. Teach me some me-lo-dious son-net, sung by flam-ing tongues a-
bove; praise the mount! I'm fixed up-on it, mount of God's un-chang-ing love!

HEARING THE WORD

Prayer for Illumination

First Old Testament Reading

Psalm 30

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

Solo Morning Has Broken

Farjeon/Howard

Morning has broken like the first morning, blackbird has spoken like the first bird. Praise for the singing! Praise for the morning! Praise for them, springing fresh from the Word! Sweet the rain's new fall sunlit from heaven, like the first dewfall on the first grass. Praise for the sweetness of the wet garden, sprung in completeness where God's feet pass. Mine is the sunlight! Mine is the morning born of the one light Eden saw play! Praise with elation, praise every morning, God's recreation of the new day!

Second Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 55

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

Sermon "Are you a Mourning Person?"

Rev. Carrie Winebrenner

***Affirmation of Faith**

We believe in truth as a living reality,
not captured in theory or a creed,
but revealed to those who love;
the truth of Jesus,
the Spirit of truth,
the truth of God.

Because we believe we trust,
not blindly but open eyed and bold
as a child climbing into a mother's lap;
the truth of Jesus,
the Spirit of truth,
the truth of God.

Because we believe, we serve,
not as a slave that serves a tyrant
but like farmers reaping a harvest;
the truth of Jesus,
the Spirit of truth,
the truth of God.

With joy, we affirm our faith in our living, our trusting, our serving. Amen.

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

***Hymn No. 79** Light Dawns on a Weary World

TEMPLE OF PEACE

Announcements

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

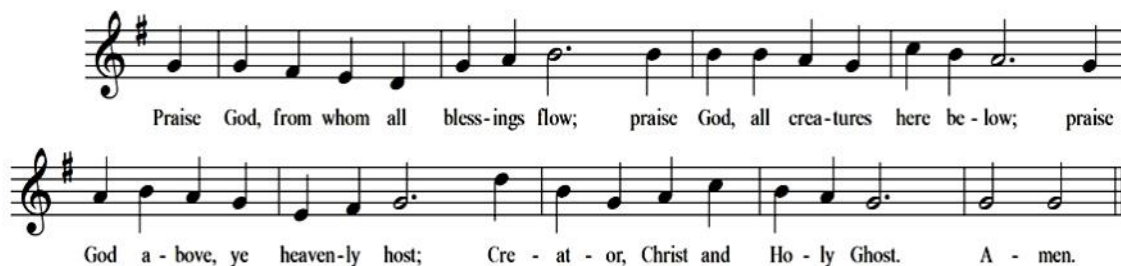
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory Invocation in E-Flat Major, Op. 50, No. 1

Alexandre Guilmant

***Responsive Hymn No. 606** Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow



The image shows two staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp). The first staff contains the melody for the first line of the hymn: "Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below; praise". The second staff contains the melody for the second line: "God above, ye heavenly host; Creator, Christ and Holy Ghost. Amen." The lyrics are printed below the notes.

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**

We give you thanks, O Lord, with all our heart. You have provided everything we need in your steadfast love. Receive these offerings as our response to your great faithfulness, and may they be used to bring joy to our community and our world, for the praise of Jesus' name. Amen.

SENDING

***Hymn No. 134** Joy to the World

ANTIOCH

***Benediction**

***Postlude** God of Grace and God of Glory

Paul Manz

Assisting with Worship this Morning

Pastors: Rev. Dr. Anne Epling, Rev. Carrie Winebrenner

Elders of the Month/Greeters: Tony Borton, Vernell Fetting

Ushers: Anne Barnett, David Beer, Jack Patton, Dan Serban

Director of Music & Organist: Brent Neuenschwander

Soloist: Elizabeth Graham, Soprano

Live Stream Operator & Sound Board Operator: Dick Florea

Looking for the announcements? Pick-up a copy of the Friday E-news before or after worship. You'll find copies on the table in the Narthex.

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.

Large Print Hymns are available from the Ushers

Because of the holiday, there is no children/youth Sunday School today. We will see you there next week!



WHAT'S HAPPENING AT FIRST PRES THIS WEEK

Sunday, September 1, 2024

- 9:30am English Worship, CH
- 10:30am English Fellowship, MH
- 11:00am KLM Worship, CH
- 12:00pm KLM Fellowship, FH

Tuesday, September 3, 2024

- 5:30pm Personnel Committee, SR
- 7:00pm Compassionate Friends, PR

Wednesday, September 4, 2024

- 1:30pm 3B Exercise Class, MH

Thursday, September 5, 2024

- 3:30pm Ambassadors Committee, SR
- 5:00pm Finance Committee, SR

Friday, September 6, 2024

- 10:00am Men's Bible Study, TEAMS

Sunday, September 8, 2024

- 10:00am Wired Word, PR
- 10:00am Chancel Choir, MR
- 11:00am English Worship, SC
- 11:00am KLM Worship, CH
- 12:00pm English Fellowship, MH
- 12:00pm KLM Fellowship, FH
- 12:00pm Welcome Day, Entire Church

Campus Room Abbreviations

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