

First Presbyterian Church

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Sunday, October 20, 2024

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WORSHIP LEADER/READER: 8:30am Peter Witmer / 11am Isla Marsh

WORSHIP: 8:30am and 11:00am

SERMON SERIES: MATTHEW: GOSPEL OF RIGHTEOUSNESS

SERMON

"You Are What You Say"

Rev Robert K. Bronkema

*HYMN

"How Great Thou Art"

No. 467

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

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WE BRING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

OFFERTORY

"The Power of Your Love"

arr. Jane Holstein

*DOXOLOGY

PROFESSION OF FAITH: APOSTLES CREED

*HYMN

"Breathe on Me, Breath of God"

No. 316

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

"Fantasia in G Minor"

J. S. Bach

**You are invited to stand if you are able during those places in the worship service marked with an asterisk.*

Sermon Notes

Please contribute your tithes and offerings using one of the following methods:

- Place your contribution in the collection plate
- Scan the QR code to the right and follow the prompts
- Click the DONATE button on the church web site
- Mail your check to FPCS, 101 St. Decatur Street, Strasburg, PA 17579



Sunday, October 20, 2024

Welcome!

11:00am Service

Greeting and Announcements

*Praise & Worship *Stand In Your Love*
 Who You Say I Am
 I Speak Jesus

Prayer & Peace

Children's Message

Beth Feiler

Second Grade Bible Presentation

Scripture Isaiah 56:6-8
 Matthew 15:10-20

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Offering

*Praise & Worship *Waymaker*

*Benediction

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Prayer Requests

Please keep the following in your prayers.

Emily Garber
Elinor Rudy – The Glen
Jinny Russell - LGH



October Deacons of the Month: Morgan Murphy and Donna Stettler
In Need of the Prayer Chain? Please contact the church office at 717-687-6030.

WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sunday, October 20 * Harvest Home Food Collection

- 8:30am **Worship** (Classic)
9:30am **Coffee Hour**
10am **Sunday School Classes** for all ages
*Children's Sunday School Grades K – 5: Rm 12
*Youth Sunday School
-Grades 6 – 7: Room 5 -Grades 8 – 12: Youth Room
*Young Adults – Choir Room
*Wired Word – Library
*Young at Heart – Rm 3/4
11am **Worship** (Modern)
12:15pm Confirmation Class – Room 5
3pm New Member's Class - Library

IGNITED ♦ Combined Youth Group: 6 – 8pm – Fellowship Hall

Tuesday, October 22

- *No morning or evening Women's Bible Study
2pm Food Pantry
7pm IMPACT – Youth Room

Wednesday, October 23

- 1pm Knifty Knitters – Library
3pm Stitchin' Sisters – Room 3/4
7pm Praise Team Practice – Sanctuary

Thursday, October 24

- 6:30am Men's Fellowship & Devotions – Library – Bring your own coffee/breakfast items
6pm Bible Study – <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCzoMo4VUuahmT0CFUtwZzgg>
7pm Choir Rehearsal – Choir Room

Friday, October 25

- 9am Toddler Gym – FH
2pm Food Pantry
6pm Our Table – FH



ANNOUNCEMENTS

WELCOME



We are glad to see you here! Check out our website: www.straspres.org under the "Events" tab for current church events and please be sure to like us on Facebook. Children's Church is available for kids K-5th grades. Children will go to room 11 after the children's sermon.

COFFEE HOUR • Join us each Sunday at 9:30am for coffee and fellowship with old and new friends. Hosts for today: The Allison Family. Hosts next week: Sandy & Al Bernstorf. Volunteers are needed! All volunteers will be reimbursed for their purchases. If you would like to help with Coffee Hour, please contact Theresa Rineer at 717-682-9954 or email rineertheresa@yahoo.com. There is a sign-up sheet in Fellowship Hall. Please choose the date(s) that work best for you!

LOST AND FOUND ITEMS • There are a number of items that have made a home in the lost and found. If you are missing a hat, gloves, water bottle, shirt, coat, baseball gloves, or other items, please check the lost and found, located on the coat rack in the foyer. All items not claimed by **Sunday, November 3rd, will be donated.**

CHANCEL CHOIR • It's never too late to join the Chancel Choir! If you enjoy singing beautiful, inspiring anthems, we invite you to join us for a one-hour rehearsal each Thursday at 7pm, in the Choir Room, and then again each Sunday at 8am, in the Sanctuary choir loft, for a 15-minute rehearsal. We would love to have you join us! If you have any questions, don't hesitate to contact Jonathan Jones, jjones@straspres.org or 484.949.4514.

Kidz JAM Children's Choir • Great news, parents! Kidz JAM is a new choir that will be forming and open to school children of all ages. A short Meet & Greet is planned for **TODAY, Sunday, October 20th**, immediately after the Classic service, in Fellowship Hall. A table will be set up with information and registration forms. We look forward to seeing you there! If you have any questions, please contact Jonathan Jones, jjones@straspres.org or 484.949.4514.

LIBRARY NEWS ~ There are some new children's books that have been purchased for our library. Each book tells the story of two biblical persons. The new books are located on the bookshelf outside the library door. After signing the card, put the card in the box outside the library for take outs. Enjoy! We thank Beth Feiler for donating these books to our church. It is so appreciated Beth!

FLAT JESUS: If you still have a kid's bag, please return it to Room #5.

Water Street Rescue Mission Volunteer Opportunities

There are opportunities this fall for our congregation to serve meals at Water Street Rescue Mission. These events will require around 2.5 hours of your time serving meals to the Mission's residents. Our church has 2 slots reserved for each of the following meals and there will be someone from our volunteer team serving with you.

Tuesday, November 5	Dinner	4:00pm to 6:30pm
Friday, November 15	Lunch	11:00am to 1:30pm
Friday, December 20	Lunch	11:00pm to 1:30pm



If you are interested in serving or if you would like to learn more about these serving opportunities reach out to Terry Sweigart at 717-606-6907 or by email at tLsweig@gmail.com. Thanks for your consideration.



Mark Your Calendar for Upcoming Events!

“OUR TABLE” WORSHIPPING COMMUNITY • Every Friday Night Beginning at 6pm • Got friends? Bring ‘em along! Everyone is welcome at Our Table! The meal is followed by an interactive Bible study, worship songs, and prayer. Eat and run or stay for the fun; we’re just happy you showed up. There’s always room at Our Table!

WEDNESDAY MORNING WALK/RUN GROUP • Wednesday mornings (weather permitting) we will meet at the church parking lot at 5:25am and take off at 5:30am sharp. We will embark on 3, one mile loops through town, each loop ending at the church before starting the next. All are welcome! You can walk, run, or both. You can do 1, 2, or all 3 miles and then some! Questions, or to be added to the text message update group please contact Dillon Sickler at 484-467-1587.

TODDLER GYM • Join us weekly on **Fridays from 9 - 10am (Sept. – May)** for playtime for ages 1 – kindergarten with their caregivers. This program is free and open to the public. For more information, contact Amy Black at 717-224-3036 or ablack@straspres.org.

NEW MEMBER CLASSES will begin **TODAY, Sunday October 20th at 3pm.** Anyone interested in learning more about First Presbyterian Church or joining our church family is welcome to attend!

TRUNK OR TREAT • Join us from 5-6:30pm on Sunday, October 27th! Sign up at the table under the TV in the welcome area and have your car parked and decorated with a suitable theme by 4:30pm. Children should arrive in a costume between 5-6:30pm. Anyone who would like to donate candy and snack items should sign-up at the table in the welcome area, and drop their items outside of room 5. For more information, contact Beth Feiler at 717-572-9683 or bfeiler@straspres.org.



WOMEN’S BIBLE STUDY • There will be no morning or evening Women’s Bible Study this upcoming week on Tuesday, October 22nd.

NEXT WEEK ~ OCTOBER 27, 2024 REFORMATION SUNDAY

1st Scripture: Proverbs 3:5-7

2nd Scripture: Matthew 15:21-28

Sermon: “*The Church as an Agent of Reform*”
Rev. Robert K. Bronkema, Preaching

ASSISTANCE CORNER

CURRENT FOOD PANTRY NEEDS

- canned soups
- peanut butter
- canned tuna



Our **Harvest Home Collection** is being held today. A list of our most needed items that our neighbors can use can be found in the insert in this bulletin. Donations of items can be left in the bin outside of the pantry room across from the church secretary's office. There are also envelopes in the pews marked "Food" if you would like to make a monetary donation. Thank you for your support of this ministry.



NURSERY NEEDS: The nursery is in need of goldfish crackers, baby wipes and Clorox wipes. Thank you for considering this request!

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD SHOEBOXES: We will be collecting small toys, new beanie babies, tissue packs, small writing tablets, crayons 24 pack, bandanas, ball caps, small reading books, small crafts, plastic bowls, small new plastic water bottles, plastic reusable utensils, socks, mittens, and small tote bags (all items can be purchased at the dollar store). The collection box is outside room #5.



VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED to help on Sunday mornings in the Nursery, Children's Church and Sunday School. Please consider and pray about assisting in these rooms and getting to know the awesome children of our church family. There are sign-up sheets located on the wall racks by the welcome desk, or contact Beth Feiler or Amy Black.



FPCS Hurricane Helene Relief ~ The Session of our Church has approved contributing \$10,000 divided between the Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, and the Mennonite Disaster Service. If you, in the congregation, feel led to make an additional contribution to this Relief Fund, you can make a notation on an Offering Envelope or Check stating "Hurricane Helene Relief," making your check out to First Presbyterian Church.



Second Grade Bible Presentation

Paisley Mae Colvin, daughter of Dan and Justine Colvin, presented by her aunt, Jodie Stark. Verse: 1Corinthians 10:31

Francesca Regina Fulmer, daughter of Ryan and Rienna Fulmer, presented by her aunt, Regina Caldwell. Verse: Exodus 14:14

Aaron "AJ" Jackson, son of Aaron Jackson and Brenna Koch, presented by his grandmother, Amy Black. Verse: Proverbs 3:5-6

Farah Lau, daughter of Matt and Liz Lau, presented by her father, Matt Lau. Verse: Numbers 6:24

Brady Matthew Maisano, son of Matt and Liz Maisano, presented by his parents Matt and Liz. Verse: Psalm 118:24

Parker Mac Maisano, son of Matt and Liz Maisano, presented by his parents, Matt and Liz. Verse: 1Thessalonians 5:16-18

Finn Joseph Nadu, son of Andrew and Maggie Nadu, presented by his grandmother, Patricia Nissley. Verse: 1Corinthians 16:13-14

Seth Frank Nadu, son of Andrew and Maggie Nadu, presented by his grandmother, Diana Nadu. Verse: Jeremiah 29:11-13.

Wyatt Michael Sickler, son of Dillon and Whitney Sickler, presented by his parents, Dillon and Whitney. Verse: Joshua 1:9



Harvest Home

Sunday October 20th

Please bring your donation to church on Sunday, October 20th or you can place it in the bin outside of our Food Pantry.



A list of most needed items

- Peanut butter, Jelly (grape or strawberry)
- Cereal
- Pancake mix or syrup
- Canned fruit (peaches, pineapples, mixed)
- Applesauce
- Potatoes (box instant or canned sliced/diced)
- Canned vegetables (peas, carrots, mixed vegetables)
- Helpers (hamburger or tuna)
- Canned meat (chicken, tuna, or spam)
- Canned soups
- Canned pasta (Ravioli's, SpaghettiOs's)
- Macaroni & Cheese
- Instant Oatmeal
- Individual snack items (crackers, granola bars)
- Monetary donations also accepted.

Thank you for supporting our neighbors, we are **GRATEFUL** for your **GENEROUS** donations. *The FPC Food Pantry Committee*