



Communion

First Presbyterian Church

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INFORMATION FOR VISITORS

Welcome to First Presbyterian Church! We want you to feel comfortable and at ease in your surroundings. The following services are available to aid your comfort in worship. Please inform the ushers of your particular needs.

- Nursery Staff will welcome your infants and toddlers.
- Wireless hearing aids, large-print bulletins, and large-print Bibles
- Children's bulletins, activity backpacks, and Bibles

Please turn all cell phones and pagers to vibrate during the worship service!

Visitors and members are urged to record your presence at worship on the friendship pads which are in the pews. Please include your address, phone number, email, and any other information you wish to share with us and acquaint yourself with those sharing the pew.

Media Policy: In this digital age the church takes many pictures and/or recordings of baptisms, worship services, special events, activities, Sunday School, youth groups, etc. The First Presbyterian Church USA (FPC) uses these to record, promote, and celebrate our church ministry through many different venues including, but not limited to, our church website, social media, publications, etc. FPC understands that some people may choose not to have their image used and the church wants to respect their wishes. Therefore, FPC asks that those individuals or families who may prefer NOT to have images of themselves used by the church to provide the church with a written request, and the church will honor their wishes.

Anyone wishing to unite with the church, please let the Rev. Price-Gibson know.

THANK YOU FOR JOINING US!

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

10:30 am Worship Service
Coffee Fellowship following Worship

OFFICE HOURS

Monday through Thursday:
8:30 am to 5:00 pm
Friday: 8:30 am to 12:00 pm

Minister: Every Member of This Church

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| Rev. Dr. Stephen Price-Gibson, Pastor | Sandy McKirahan, Music Director |
| Rose Miller, Office Administrator | Sharon Rees, Accompanist |
| Clayton Moyer, Chancel Choir Director | Kelsey Cobb & Madison Cobb, Nursery |
| Angela Wright, Bell Choir Director | Connie Moon & Susan Wallace, Organists |
| Josh Townsend, Website Coordinator | Dennis Shultz, Custodian |

Web-site: www.fpckearney.org

Should you have a need for pastoral care, please contact
Rev. Stephen Price-Gibson at 308-380-0908 or email spricegibson@hotmail.com.

July 2, 2017

WORSHIP FOR THE LORD'S DAY

10:30 AM

4th Sunday after Pentecost
***All rise in body or spirit.**

Preparation for Worship

“There are two freedoms—the false, where a man is free to do what he likes;
the true, where he is free to do what he ought.”
—Charles Kingsley

PRELUDE “Prelude on National Airs” Charles Callahan

WELCOME Stephen Price-Gibson

Greeting and Announcements

Welcoming One Another

*CALL TO WORSHIP John Icenogle, Liturgist

Bless the Lord, this day and always.
Let us praise God's name together.
Taste and see that the Lord is good.
Happy are those who trust in good.
Let us worship God.

*HYMN “God of Our Life” No. 686

*OPENING PRAYER

Let us pray:
O God,
light of the minds that know you,
life of the souls that love you,
strength of the thoughts that seek you;
help us so to know you that we may truly love you,
so to love you that we may fully serve you,
whose service is perfect freedom;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and forever. Amen.

CHILDREN'S TIME

SPECIAL MUSIC “Andante from Violin Concerto” F. Mendelssohn
Connie Moon, violin -- Sandy McKirahan, piano

THE WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Let us pray.

Gracious God, we do not live by bread alone,
but by every word that comes from your mouth.
Make us hungry for this heavenly food,
that it may nourish us today in the ways of eternal life;
through Jesus Christ, the bread of heaven. Amen.

Scripture

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

Genesis 22:1-14

Sermon

"PROVISIONS"

*HYMN “This Is My Song” No. 340

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory

“You Satisfy the Hungry Heart”

Robert E. Kreutz

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Invitation to the Table

Words of Institution

Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is truly right and our greatest joy . . .

[The Great Thanksgiving continues, ending with 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.**

Breaking of the Bread

Communion of the People

Prayer after Communion

*HYMN "O Beautiful For Spacious Skies" No. 338

*BLESSING 2 Corinthians 13:13

*SUNG BENEDICTION "Farewell, Good Friends!" No. 540

Fare - well, good friends! Fare - well, good friends! Sha -
 lom, sha - lom! Till we meet a - gain, till we
 meet a - gain sha - lom, sha - lom.

*POSTLUDE "Prelude in B Flat Major" J. S. Bach

We cordially invite you to join us for refreshments and fellowship every Sunday morning in the Family Life Center following the Worship Service.

Liturgist: John Icenogle
Acolyte: Derrick Nonhof
Greeters/Ushers: Jon and Leslie Abegglen, Robin Bowers, Doug Giles, Joan Giles, and Ken and Lynn Shaffer
Communion Servers: Karen Diestler, Richard Elliott, John and Barb Icenogle, and Larry and Barb Meyer
Coffee Host(s): Bev and John Gustafson
Organist: Connie Moon
Sound System Technician: Steve Miller
Nursery Attendants: Kelsey Cobb and Madison Cobb
The flower bouquets this morning are given by Mary Kulhanek in memory of her sister, Karen Anderson.

JULY MINISTRY OF COMPASSION

The July Ministry of Compassion is the Kearney Public Schools Emergency Fund. This is a project where we provide some assistance to the Kearney Public School teachers for children in need. We provide shorts, sweat pants, socks, and underwear for younger students, cash donations to help with shoes or eye glasses, as necessary, in an effort to relieve some of the stress for students. Please be generous in this worthy cause. Place items in the hallway bin and put your monetary donation in the offering plate or give it to Rose at the church office. Please write "KPS Emergency Fund" in the memo line.

COFFEE HOSTS NEEDED

Please sign up on the chart by the Family Life Center doors.



SUNDAE SUNDAY

Sunday, July 23rd

following 10:30 am worship service

Enjoy Sundaes on Sunday, July 23rd
in the Family Life Center
following the morning service.

Chocolate, vanilla and strawberry ice cream
plus numerous toppings will be served.

See you the 23rd!



JUBILEE CENTER MEALS

It is our responsibility to serve the Thursday evening Jubilee Center suppers in August. We will serve the suppers at our church on August 3, 10, 17, 24 and 31 at 5:30 pm. Sign-up sheets for food/money donations and servers will be placed on a table in the Narthex toward the end of July. Please consider bringing food, serving the supper, cleaning up or making a cash donation (if you make a cash donation, please ensure it is earmarked for "Jubilee supper"). Our church is providing the gathering space for the Jubilee Center meals for the months of July, August, and September.

Your kindness and service are deeply appreciated by the Deacons and the friends we serve.

MEALS ON WHEELS VOLUNTEERS

Members from our church deliver Meals on Wheels on Tuesdays on an every other week basis. Please contact Pat Hild at 236-9989 if you would like to help. It takes an hour to an hour and a half for teams of two people. Join us in this worthwhile mission.

July 11 drivers – Phil and Fia Feese with Mary Jo and Gordon Morrow, Sandy and John McKirahan, and Barb Friskopp and Barbara Stevenson

July 25 drivers – Lorraine and Gary Feind, Bob and Sue Wallace, Barbara Stevenson and Jill Sage

BECOME A CASA VOLUNTEER!

"I am a victim and survivor of child abuse myself. Everyone knew about it, but never said or did anything to protect me. When I heard about CASA first coming to Kearney/Buffalo County, it always had a place in my heart where I wanted to be involved. Once my kids got into school full-time, I took the training and am now on my third case over the past two years. I encourage everyone to look deep within themselves to become a voice for these children and go through the training to become a CASA advocate, to make a difference in a child's life". ~Kelly Jensen, CASA Volunteer Supervisor

CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocate) volunteers donate their time to act as the independent eyes and ears of the court, investigate in the field, and speak solely in the interest of the child. **Volunteer Training is scheduled to start in August 2017!** The training consists of 30 hours in class training. CASA programs in Nebraska operate in compliance with the Nebraska Court Appointed Special Advocate Act (Nebraska Revised Statutes §43-3701 et seq). The CASA training will be held in Kearney during the evenings to get to the 30 in class hours required. In surveys, Judges find CASA volunteers to be very effective in a wide range of activities that support the court process. They find volunteers most effective in considering the best interests of the child and in monitoring the case. Volunteer input is most highly valued on issues related to placement, stability, permanence and safety of the children while in care. To volunteer call 308-865-5675.

SHEPHERD POTLUCK MEAL

Sunday, August 27, 2017

Following 10:30 am Worship Service

Mark your calendars for Sunday, August 27, 2017. Your Shepherd Group leaders and the Board of Deacons extend this invitation to all for a special potluck lunch after the church service. Each Shepherd Group will sit together to get better acquainted with each other. There even may be a prize for the group with the most members in attendance!

Please bring a covered dish to share - main dish, salad, vegetable, dessert, whatever you wish.

We look forward to dining with you on August 27th.

2017 CAMPING/CONFERENCE SCHOLARSHIPS

Deadline to submit application(s) is July 19th.

Camping and Conference Scholarship Funding Guidelines

1. Participation of youth and/or youth's family in a church in Central Nebraska Presbytery.
2. The funding available for scholarships is not unlimited and applications are considered as they are received; therefore, timely submission is recommended.
3. Scholarship awards will be made on a case-by-case basis; grants will not exceed 50% of event cost or \$200 whichever is less.
4. If for any reason the youth does not attend the event all scholarship dollars must be returned or if the total amount requested is not used, all unused dollars shall be returned.
5. All scholarships will be made payable to their home church.
6. Scholarships are available for youth K-12th grades.
7. Scholarship applications will not be accepted after the July 19th deadline.

The application form is available on the Presbytery's website, www.centralnepresby.org under the Committees section (Presbytery Youth Ministry Committee). If you have questions, please contact the Youth Committee Chair, Dan Davis at revdanlwupc@gmail.com.

For Our Prayers

Our Members:

Jesse Cobb and Family

Jennifer Nicol

Our Friends of the Church:

Jim Deupree (brother of Bev Gustafson)

Gail Stover (cousin of Lynn Shaffer)

Cindy Malone (daughter of Vi Pimper)

Cole Wicks (friend of Mary Kulhanek)

Deanna Stewart (friend of Pat Hild)

David & Holly Hild (son & daughter-in-law of Jack & Pat Hild)

Terry & Jeannette Hillman (friends of Gary & Donna Murphy)

Sydney & Naomi Okoye (friends of Rose Miller)

The Family of Kay Lundy Smith (friend of Karen & KC Diestler)

Our Loved Ones In Service To Our Country:

Brian Adams—Army

Ryan Rowher—Army

Danelle Nelson—ANG

Greg Stevens—USMC

David Hild—Guard

Linda Youberg—Navy

Kristin Lindenstien-Shnell—USAF

Our Presbytery and the Wider Church:

Fairfield Community Presbyterian Church

Linda Lambert serving Fullerton

Please help our Church office keep our prayer list current.

Unless otherwise requested we will keep names on the prayer list for four weeks.

KIDNEY DONOR PROGRAM

Cecil Smith is a kidney donor candidate with ongoing dialysis. Cecil is connected with Nebraska Medicine through UNMC for his treatment and donor program. Information about kidney donation options is on www.nebraskamed.com/transplant/kidney. Please feel free to share information about Cecil's need for a kidney donation. Cecil and Carol are grateful for your friendship and prayers. -Board of Deacons

ANNOUNCEMENTS

We welcome all visitors to worship this morning. We would like you to learn more about our church and give us a chance to make you feel at home.

If anyone needs a ride to church on Sundays, please call the church office at 234-4543 so that we may arrange transportation for you.

If you would like a CD recorded copy of the Sunday Worship Service, please call the church office at 234-4543. You may also listen to the sermon on the church's website, www.fpckearney.org.

Like FPC On Facebook. Don't forget to "Like" us on Facebook! You can go to: <https://www.facebook.com/FirstPresKearney> or search for First Presbyterian Church, Kearney, Nebraska.

Mission of Change. The Jubilee Center is the recipient of the Mission of Change donations collected in July and August. Please keep donating all your coins (not just dimes). You **must include your name** with the coin total amount if you want your donation to be listed on your statement of giving.

Equal Exchange Products. Check out the Equal Exchange Products available in the church office – *Coffee* (Regular, Decaf, and Flavored), *Tea* (Breakfast, Chai, Decaf Rooibos), and *Hot Cocoa*. Why not consider giving a gift of Fair Trade products?

Save Best Choice Barcode UPC Labels For Cash. Please save your *Best Choice* barcodes (UPC symbol) and bring them to the church where a collection box is located in the church office. *Best Choice* products are available at Grand Central Apple Market.

Save General Mills Box Tops For Education And Campbell's Labels For Education. The Out-Reach Committee would like you to know that the Menaul School in Albuquerque, New Mexico, is collecting General Mills Box Tops for Education and Campbell's Labels for Education (UPC product code and Labels for Education coupons). This program helps them "buy" classroom supplies. Please put your Box Tops and Campbell's labels in the Best Choice collection box in the church office.

Coffee Hosts Needed. The In-Reach Committee Needs YOUR Help! **Wanted: Coffee Hosts for 2017.** If you are one of the many who enjoy the coffee fellowship time after church, then ***WE WANT YOU! Please sign up on the chart in the narthex.*** The Coffee Host chart is up by the Family Life Center entryway.

2017 Flower Chart. The 2017 Flower Chart is up on the bulletin board by the church office. Please take a few moments to sign up to contribute flowers to glorify God's house on Sunday and to honor or celebrate your loved ones! These Sundays are still open:

September 24 October 22 January 14, 2018 January 28, 2018

THIS WEEK AT FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sunday, July 2

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| 10:30 am | Worship Service with Communion | Sanctuary |
| Following Service | Coffee Fellowship | Family Life Center |

Monday, July 3 – Saturday, July 22

Pastor Stephen on Vacation

Tuesday, July 4

Office Closed in Observation of Independence Day

Thursday, July 6

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| 5:30 pm | Jubilee Center Meal | Family Life Center |
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Sunday, July 9

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| 10:30 am | Worship Service with Sharon Rees preaching | Sanctuary |
| Following Service | Coffee Fellowship | Family Life Center |

STRIKEPOINT IN CONCERT

Sunday, July 16 – 7:00 PM

First United Methodist Church, 4500 Linden Drive, Kearney

Strikepoint, one of the world's top handbell ensembles, will be performing at 7:00 pm on Sunday, July 16 at First United Methodist Church (4500 Linden Drive) in Kearney. Admission is free but a \$15 donation is suggested. This performance is part of the group's 2017 summer tour.

Strikepoint, from First United Methodist Church in Duluth, Minnesota, was established in 1984 and has been touring annually since 1986. Their travels have taken them to England, Scotland, Japan, Hong Kong, Sweden, Canada, Hawaii and throughout the mainland U.S., with performances in four national capitals. Last summer they were cultural exchange ambassadors to Växjö, Duluth's Swedish sister city, and were featured performers for the region's Minnesota Days and Karl-Oskar Days celebrations.

Strikepoint rings 6-plus octaves of bronze Schulmerich handbells, 7 octaves of handchimes, 2 octaves of Silver Melody Bells and a variety other instruments. The 11-member directorless ensemble is unique among touring handbell groups as a combination church/community and youth/adult group. Bill Alexander, a nationally known handbell clinician and conductor, is the leader of the ensemble.