



*“Come to me, all you who
are weary
and burdened,
and I will
give you rest.”*

Matthew 11:28

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

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.

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH [From A Brief Statement of Faith - Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)]

**In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit,
we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives,
even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth,
praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!"
With believers in every time and place,
we rejoice that nothing in life or in death
can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Call to Prayer

"Come, Bring Your Burdens to God"
(Sing twice)

No. 851

Come, bring your bur-dens to God; come, bring your

bur - dens to God; come, bring your bur - dens to God, for

Je - sus will nev - er say no.

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.**

Prayer Response

"Come, Bring Your Burdens to God"
(Sing three times)

No. 851

Come, bring your bur-dens to God; come, bring your

bur - dens to God; come, bring your bur - dens to God, for

Je - sus will nev - er say no.

TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory

"To Be in Your Presence"

Noel Richards

*Presentation

"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

No. 609

Praise God, from whom all bless-ings flow. Praise God, all crea-tures

high and low. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise

God, in Je - sus ful - ly known: Cre - a - tor, Word, and Spir - it

one. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -

lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

*Dedication Prayer

Let us pray.

We ask for your blessing, O God

on all that we bring and all that we are.

May our gifts and our lives

be gifts of your light and love for the world. Amen.

*HYMN "I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say" No. 182

*CHARGE AND BLESSING Numbers 6:24-26

*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 "Ode to Joy" Ludwig van Beethoven

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

Liturgist: Jack Hild

Acolyte: Addison Miller

Greeters/Ushers: Mike Bryson, Rodger and Kay Payne, Ken Slominski, and Cecil and Carol Smith

Coffee Host(s): Jean Johnson

Organist: Connie Moon

Sound System Technician: Josh Hofer

Nursery Attendants: Kelsey Cobb and Madison Cobb

The flower bouquets this morning are given by Rodger and Kay Payne in honor of the United States of America.

WELCOME SHARON REES TO THE PULPIT

We welcome Sharon Rees to our pulpit today while Pastor Stephen is on vacation. Sharon is a member of this congregation and a candidate for ministry in the Presbytery of Central Nebraska. After the summer session, she will be halfway through her four year Master of Divinity program. She takes online and intensive on-site classes through the University of Dubuque Theological Seminary. She feels blessed and humbled to have the spiritual and financial support of this congregation.

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, toiletry items, and 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.

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. Various flavors of ice cream plus numerous toppings will be served.

See you the 23rd!



COFFEE HOSTS NEEDED

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

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

Monday, July 3 – Saturday, July 22

Pastor Stephen on Vacation

Sunday, July 9

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

Monday, July 10

6:00 pm	<i>Finance Committee Meeting</i>	Library
6:45 pm	<i>Property & Grounds Committee Meeting</i>	Library

Tuesday, July 11

4:00 pm	<i>In-Reach Committee Meeting</i>	Library
5:30 pm	<i>Out-Reach Committee Meeting</i>	Library

Wednesday, July 12

7:30 am	Men's Bible Study	Family Life Center
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Thursday, July 13

5:30 pm	Jubilee Center Meal	Family Life Center
6:00 pm	ARC Board Meeting	Library

Saturday, July 15

10:00 am	ARC Craft Class	Classroom
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Sunday, July 16

10:30 am	Worship Service with Ann Sukraw-Lutz 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.