



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

9:15 am/9:30 am Adult/Youth Sunday School
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.fpc Kearney.org | |

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

November 5, 2017

WORSHIP FOR THE LORD'S DAY
Sunday of All Saints -- Heritage Sunday
***All rise in body or spirit.**

10:30 AM

Preparation for Worship

“God creates out of nothing. Wonderful, you say. Yes, to be sure, but he does what is still more wonderful: he makes saints out of sinners.”—Soren Kierkegaard

PRELUDE “Saints of God” Lloyd Larson
Gloria Dei Bell Choir

WELCOME Stephen Price-Gibson

Greeting and Announcements

Welcoming One Another

CHORAL INTROIT “We Are Surrounded” Joseph Martin
Chancel Choir

*CALL TO WORSHIP AND COMMEMORATION OF THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED
Charlie Pickens, Liturgist

Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of his saints. [Psalm 115:16]
One generation shall praise your works to another, [Psalm 145:4]
and shall declare your mighty acts.

After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb.

They cried out in a loud voice, saying:
Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!

These beloved have gone on before us into eternal life. [Revelation 7:9-10]
We affirm even though we no longer see their faces, we know they are present.
As each name is read, please respond “**Present.**”

Gertrude Brown *Gordon Gealy*
Heidi Cobb *Jean Henke*
Douglas Gallant *Richard “Dick” Swett*

Since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely.
Let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us. [Hebrews 12:1]

*HYMN “For All the Saints” No. 326

CHILDREN’S TIME

ANTHEM “What Shall I Bring to the Lord?” Robert Lau
What shall I bring to the Lord when I come to worship Him?
Shall I bring my best as off’ring to Him?
Will the Lord require something special from me?
Oh, what shall I bring for a King?

I could bring riches, power; now is the hour to lift our voices and sing.
I could bring wisdom, glory, I could tell the story of Jesus,
My King, of Jesus, my King.

But hear what the Lord says:
Do justice, have mercy, and walk humbly with your God,
What shall I bring to the Lord? Walk with God.

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 Reading

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God!

Isaiah 51:1-5

Sermon

“LOOKING FORWARD, LOOKING BACK”

*HYMN “In My Life” No. 468

TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory

“Sun of My Soul”

Benton Price

*Presentation

“We Praise You, O God” Verse 1

No. 612

We praise you, O God, our Redeemer, Creator;
in grateful devotion our tribute we bring,
We lay it before you; we kneel and adore you;
we bless your holy name; glad praises we sing.

*Dedication Prayer

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

Loving God,

**you have given us a share in the one bread and the one cup
and made us one with Christ and with all the saints in light.**

Help us to bring your love and joy to all the world.

Through Christ we pray. Amen.

*HYMN “Our God, Our Help in Ages Past” No. 687

*BLESSING 2 Corinthians 13:13

*SUNG BENEDICTION “Surely the Presence” Lanny Wolfe
(Choir and Congregation)

Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place.

I can feel his mighty power and his grace.

I can hear the brush of angel’s wings,

I see glory on each face.

Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place.

*POSTLUDE “For All The Saints” Lani Smith

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

Liturgist: Charlie Pickens

Acolyte: Hewitt Moyer

Greeters/Ushers: Jon & Leslie Abegglen, Robin Bowers, Doug Giles, and Joan Giles

Communion Servers: John Icenogle, Ethan Kinney, Judy Rothenberger, Sara Sup, Julie Tye, and Lissa Woodruff

Coffee Host(s): Finance Committee members

Organist: Susan Wallace

Chancel Choir Director: Clayton Moyer

Chancel Choir Accompanist: Susan Wallace

Gloria Dei Bell Choir Director: Angela Wright

Sound System Technician: Mark Nelson

Nursery Attendants: Kelsey Cobb and Madison Cobb

The flower bouquets this morning are given by Barbara Stevenson in memory of Robert and Vera Stevenson.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 2017

The Session has called a Congregational Meeting following the 10:30 am worship service on Sunday, November 12, 2017. The purpose of this meeting is to approve the slate of officers for the Class of 2020 presented by the Nominating Committee. Also the 2018 Members-at-Large for the Nominating Committee will be nominated and approved.

THE REFORMATION -- 500TH ANNIVERSARY

November 8 -- 5:45-6:45 pm

On October 31, 1517, Martin Luther posted "95 Theses on Indulgences" on the door of Wittenberg Cathedral. This is generally considered the beginning of the movement known as the Reformation. On Wednesday - **November 8 - from 5:45 pm to 6:45 pm**, we will have an opportunity to learn more about this event and the new Christian theology that resulted. We will be viewing and discussing parts of the new PBS film,

Martin Luther: The Idea That Changed the World. Bring your sack supper, pizza slice or whatever you want to eat - or just bring yourself and join this lively program.

SAVE THE DATE

3rd Annual Ten Thousand Villages Sale

Saturday, November 11 - 9 am until 2 pm

Sunday, November 12 during Coffee Fellowship Time

Get your shopping lists ready and plan to attend!

Please make plans to shop at the Ten Thousand Villages Sales on November 11th. We are open from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm. We will also have the "shop" open Sunday after church during the Coffee time.

Anyone with a couple hours to help please call Jill Hibbs at (308) 233-7541 and leave a message. Friday, November 10th is the time to set up the shop. Saturday baggers and receipt writers are needed. Sunday helpers are needed as well.

Proceeds for Kearney Area Habitat for Humanity

MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP

Middle and high school youth will be meeting twice a month to love, learn and serve! Join us after church in the youth room on November 12. We will share fellowship around a meal (love), we will have a time of learning and sharing (learn), and we will plan our community service (serve). On November 19, we will meet in the youth room for a light lunch and then head to St. John's nursing home to lead a BINGO activity for the residents as our community service. Please join us as we share Christ's love with each other and the world.

FAITH FRIENDS PROGRAM

Do you remember that special person who took you under their wing when you were growing up in the church? Now is your chance to pass on that wonderful experience to a young person at First Presbyterian Church. The Faith Friends program will launch on January 10, 2018. We would like to match up as many youth and adults in the church as possible. Faith friend pairs will meet together to love, learn, and serve in the church – many ideas will be provided, or create your own memories! If you would like to mentor a youth or if you have children that would like a mentor, please contact Orlena Moyer at 308-289-3867 or orlenamoyer@hotmail.com; or Sharon Rees at 308-293-6279 or sharonrees64@gmail.com.

MARTHA CIRCLE BIBLE STUDY

In November we will remember the Salvation Army; their needs, beside money donations, are canned fruits and vegetables, peanut butter, jelly, mac and cheese, and baby items such as shampoo, lotion, wash cloths, and diapers. We will collect them in the bin in the classroom at circle.

November dates:

- 8 Lesson 3 preview with Pastor Stephen in the church classroom; 10:00 am
- 15 Martha Circle meets at 2 pm in the church classroom

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD SHOEBOX

November 13-20, 2017

1. *NO CANDY AND NO TOOTHPASTE*
2. A donation of \$9.00 per box for shipping the boxes would be greatly appreciated. Make checks payable to: Samaritan's Purse.

Shoeboxes and brochures are available in the Narthex. Items you can include in your shoebox are: **School Supplies, Hygiene Items (NO TOOTHPASTE), Toys, T-shirts, Small Stuffed Animals**, etc.

COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING WORSHIP SERVICE

Wednesday, November 22, 2017 -- 7:00 PM

St. James Catholic Church, Kearney

featuring a Community Choir

COOKIES FOR BELL CHOIR CONCERT

Calling all cookie bakers and non-bakers. First Presbyterian Church is the host church for the Christmas Bell Concert on December 3 at the Merryman Arts Center. We are responsible for the cookie reception after the concert. There will be a sign-up sheet to donate cookies and also to help serve at the concert. Thank you in advance for your participation.

RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE

Tuesday, December 5, 2017 -- 8 AM-2 PM

First Presbyterian Church

Contact Rodger Payne at 308-293-0355 for more information.



POINSETTIAS FOR CHRISTMAS 2017

If you wish to order poinsettias for the sanctuary during the Advent and Christmas season, you may do so using the form below. Poinsettias for shut-ins will be delivered throughout the season.

YES! I would like to order a poinsettia for the Christmas Season.

How many? _____ (Cost is \$14.00 each – Payable to the church in advance)

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

PHONE _____

Given in Honor of _____

or

Given in Memory of _____

PLEASE COMPLETE YOUR CHOICE BELOW: Thank You!

_____ Please deliver my poinsettia to a shut-in _____

or

_____ I will deliver my poinsettia to someone
If member of the church, please give name _____

or

_____ I wish to use my poinsettia at home.

Please place orders for poinsettias by Wednesday, November 29th.

Orders received after November 29th will not be guaranteed due to the high demand for poinsettias.

For Our Prayers

Our Members:

Marlene Andrews
Patricia Elliott
Joan Giles
The Family of Jean Henke
Margaret Holzrichter

Beverly Kimball
Alan Oldfather
Vi Pimper
Cecil Smith

Our Friends of the Church:

Dorrie Alff (mother of Kit Alff)
Jim Deupree (brother of Bev Gustafson)
Adam Krause (nephew of Clayton Moyer)
Cindy Malone (daughter of Vi Pimper)
Jacob Hartman (friend of Gordon & Mary Jo Morrow)
David & Holly Hild (son & daughter-in-law of Jack & Pat Hild)
Amy McCrary (niece of Earl & Jo Rademacher)
Sydney & Naomi Okoye (friends of Rose Miller)
David Repsher (son of Marilyn Repsher & Dave Raymond; friends of John & Shirley McCammond)
Kurt Siedschlaw (father of Sara Sup's daughter-in-law)

Ralph Mifflin (friend of Mary Kulhanek)
Rick Underwood
Jennifer Weems

Our Loved Ones In Service To Our Country:

Brian Adams—Army
Danelle Nelson—ANG
David Hild—Guard
Kristin Lindenstein-Shnell—Air Force
Reece Nicol— Air Force
Ryan Rowher—Army
Greg Stevens—Marines
Linda Youberg—Navy

Our Presbytery and the Wider Church:

Sutherland First Presbyterian Church David Johnson, Candidate & serving Harvard

Please help our Church office keep our prayer list current.

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

YARD SIGNS

Our colorful yard signs with "Love, Learn, Serve" with picture of our cross and "First Presbyterian Church" are still available in the church office to pick up and we will have them available in the hallway. They are ready to be posted in yards here, there and everywhere! A donation of \$ 9.00 per sign is suggested. We do not want the suggested donation to be a barrier for "adopting" signs. The goal is to send signs home with anyone with green space for posting! We'll be using the signs again at Easter and other occasions to share our mission widely.

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 Kearney Area Habitat for Humanity is the recipient of the Mission of Change donations collected in November and December. Habitat for Humanity builds homes so all people can live in decent, durable shelter. 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:

January 14, 2018

January 28, 2018

THIS WEEK AT FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sunday, November 5

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| 9:15 am | Adult Sunday School | Classrooms |
| 9:30 am | Youth Sunday School | Classrooms |
| 10:30 am | Worship Service with Communion | Sanctuary |
| Following Service | Lunch/Endowment Presentation | Family Life Center |

Monday, November 6

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| 4:00 pm | ARC Cooking Class | Kitchen |
| 7:00 pm | SIS Study Group | Classroom |

Tuesday, November 7

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| 9:30 am | Goodwill Cooking Class | Kitchen/FLC |
| 3:30 pm | ARC TOPS Class | Classroom |
| 6:00 pm | <i>Christian Education Committee Meeting</i> | Classroom |

Wednesday, November 8

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| 7:30 am | Men's Bible Study | Family Life Center |
| 10:00 am | Horizon Lesson Preview | Classroom |
| 5:45 pm | The Reformation Class | Classroom |
| 7:00 pm | Chancel Choir Practice | Sanctuary |
| 8:00 pm | Gloria Dei Bell Choir Practice | Sanctuary |

Thursday, November 9

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| 6:00 pm | ARC Board Meeting | Library |
| 6:30 pm | Girl Scout Kearney Service Unit | Family Life Center |

Friday, November 10

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| 4:00 pm | ARC Relationships Class | Classroom |
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Saturday, November 11

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| 9:00 am | Ten Thousand Villages Sale | Family Life Center |
| 2:00 pm | Open House for Executive Presbyter | Library |

Sunday, November 12

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|-------------------|---|--------------------|
| 9:15 am | Adult Sunday School | Classrooms |
| 9:30 am | Youth Sunday School | Classrooms |
| 10:30 am | Worship Service with Congregational Meeting | Sanctuary |
| Following Service | Coffee Fellowship | Family Life Center |
| 12:00 pm | Youth Group | Youth Room |