

Morning Worship

July 15, 2012

8:30 & 11:00

PREPARING FOR WORSHIP

In Your will is our peace;

In Your love is our rest;

In Your service is our joy.

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

PRELUDE

‡ GATHERING OF THE PEOPLE AND GREETING

This is the day the Lord has made.

Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

* CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 100

Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the lands!

Serve the Lord with gladness!

Come into his presence with singing!

Know that the Lord is God!

It is he that made us, and not we ourselves;

we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts

with praise! Give thanks to him, bless his name!

For the Lord is good; his steadfast love endures

for ever, and his faithfulness to all generations.

* HYMN #464 “Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee”

THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, in your gracious presence we confess

our sin and the sin of this world. Although

Christ is among us as our peace, we are a

people divided against ourselves as we cling to

the values of a broken world.

The profit and pleasure we pursue lay waste the

land and pollute the seas.

The fears and jealousies that we harbor set neighbor

against neighbor and nation against nation.

We abuse your good gifts of imagination and
freedom, of intellect and reason, and have used
them to serve ourselves.

Lord, have mercy upon us; heal and forgive us.

Set us free to serve you in the world as agents of

your reconciling love in Jesus Christ.

Now hear our silent, personal confessions...

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

* GLORIA PATRI

Hymn #579

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

RESPONSIVE READING

Psalm 108:1-5

My heart is steadfast, O God, my heart is steadfast!

I will sing and make melody; awake, my soul!

Be exalted, O God, above the heavens;

Let thy glory be over all the earth!

Awake, O harp and lyre; I will awake the dawn!

I will give thanks to thee, O Lord, among the

peoples,

I will sing praises to thee among the nations.

For thy steadfast love is great above the

heavens, thy faithfulness reaches to the

clouds.

Be exalted, O God, above the heavens!

Let thy glory be over all the earth!

ANTHEM (11:00)

Songs from VBS *Operation
Overboard*

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

ORGAN INTERLUDE (11:00)

*During the summer children may remain with their parents in
worship;*

younger children may go to the nursery.

SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON

Acts 12:1-19

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON “When the Church Prays”

*“While Peter was kept in prison,
the church prayed fervently to God for him.”*

Acts 12:6

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

* HYMN #249 “O Lord, Make Haste to Hear My Cry”
(to the tune, “O Master Let Me Walk With Thee”)

* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *Heidelberg Catechism*, 1563

What is your only comfort, in life and in death?

That I belong –body and soul, in life and death –not

to

myself but to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ,

who at the cost of his own blood has fully paid for all

my sins, and has completely freed me from the

dominion of the devil; that he protects me so well that

without the will of my Father in heaven not a

hair

can fall from my head; indeed that everything must

fit

his purpose for my salvation.

Therefore, by his Holy Spirit, he also assures me of

eternal life, and makes me wholeheartedly willing

and ready from now on to live for him.

WORSHIP NOTES

Vicki Wallace (8:30) and Todd Harvey (11:00) are the Elders of the
Day. Ross Hicks is the liturgist.

Next Sunday, Pastor Dave will continue the summer sermon
series from the Book of Acts with the
message, “Playing the Ball Where It Lies” from Acts 16:6-10.

Pastor Dave is available for individual meetings with members
of the congregation Monday-Friday, 9:00 am – 6:00 pm, or on
Saturdays when circumstances require it. Email him at
david.stull.handley@gmail.com.

‡ Please sign and pass the Friendship Pad found at the end
of your pew. Write prayer concerns and/or notes to the
church office on the cards found in your pew and place in
the offering plate.

* If you are able, please stand.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

The Offertory

* The Doxology, Hymn # 592

*Prayer of Dedication

*HYMN #438 "Blest Be the Tie That Binds"

* CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*Remember, you go nowhere by accident.
Wherever you go, God is sending you.
Wherever you are, God has placed you there.
Christ who lives within you has something He wants to do
through you.
Believe this! And go in His grace, love, and power.
Amen.*

* CHORAL RESPONSE AND POSTLUDE

THIS WEEK AT FIRST

Sunday, July 15
No Middle School Youth meeting. Mikey is on the Senior High Mission Trip.
 5:00 pm **Committees meet.**
 6:00 pm **Session meets.**
Monday, July 16
 5:00 pm **Theology on Tap** meets at the Guadalajara Grill, 1068 South Riverside Drive (across from Big Lots). Please join us for conversations about theology and real life!
Tuesday, July 17
 5:30 pm **Yoga** class in the fellowship hall.
Wednesday, July 18
 10:00 am **Bible Study** in the church library -please join us!
No Senior High meeting. Mark is on the Senior High Mission Trip.
Friday, July 20
Senior High mission trip participants return.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Past sermons from the series on Acts are available in print in the vestibule of the sanctuary and outside the church office:
 June 17, "A Shocking Approach to Money Management" (Acts 4-5); June 24, "Spirit Filled Conflict Management"

(Acts 6); July 1, "Anatomy of a Conversion" (Acts 9), and July 8, "When Tradition Undercuts Our Mission" (Acts 10:15).

Memorial Gathering for Louise Snider - On Sunday, July 22, bring your coffee and coffee cake over to the 3rd Street side of the fellowship hall at 10:15 am. Chairs will be set up for an informal gathering to honor the memory of Louise who passed away in Florida on June 16. Pastor Dave will offer some scripture and prayer, and members are invited to share brief remembrances of their friendship with Louise and her involvement with our church family.

All women in the church are invited to the Presbyterian Women's DINNER on Monday, August 27 at 6:00 pm in the fellowship hall. The Night Circle has an hour of fun, food and

games planned. The meal is catered at a cost of \$9 per person. Reservations for the meal and child care can be made by signing up on the bulletin board. Menu: Roast beef served with mashed potatoes, cole slaw, dinner rolls, chocolate cake, iced tea, lemonade, and coffee.

Please pray for our Pastor Nominating Committee (PNC) to make the correct decisions. Prayer could be at home or join to listen or pray with others each Tuesday at 9:30 am in the library. If you know of a Presbyterian pastor that you or your family thinks is great, who would possibly be interested in a change of churches, just let any member of the PNC know so the person can be contacted. PNC members: Diane Miner, Chair, Rhonda Banasiak, Don Beck, Kelly Duncan, Steve Griffey, Susan Marks, Sam Mills, Scott Sitter, Vicki Wallace, and Dave Handley (advisor).

Confirmation Class for the fall - If you (or your child) is a rising 7th grader or older, and plan to participate in this fall's Confirmation Class, please contact the church at 645-6551 or by email maggiemcgrady@gmail.com or fpclarksville@gmail.com.

Summer Sunday School: Pre-school through 6th Graders are studying "The Gospel According to Dr. Seuss" and 7-12th Graders are studying "The Gospel According to 'The Hunger Games'". Both classes meet on the 4th floor. Nursery is available for little ones. Ms. Helene will be using the Play-n-Worship Curriculum in the nursery.

The church office has re-chargeable gift cards from Kroger that support our youth programs with a 4% return to the church on all your Kroger purchases. To date we have received \$6,497.65 from Kroger, thanks to your purchases!

Church Bus Drivers are urgently needed! If you are interested in obtaining a Commercial Drivers License please contact Neesa in the church office. The church reimburses all licensing fees.

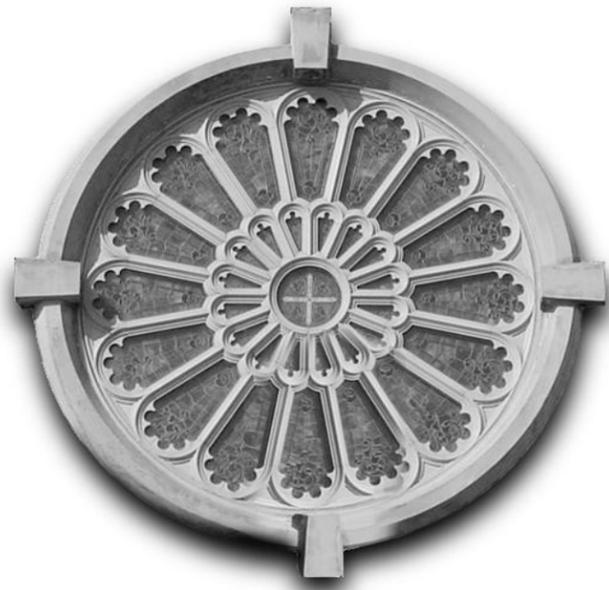
Rally Day will be Sunday, August 12. There will be a Christian Education program at 9:45 am in the fellowship hall. The Congregational Life Committee will prepare the 2nd Sunday Lunch to be served in the fellowship hall following 11:00 worship.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH ELDERS

CLASS OF 2012	CLASS OF 2013	CLASS OF 2014
Jennifer Ellis	Suella Arrington	Steve Griffey
Sarah Hedstrom	Chip Connell	Amy Lewellen
Bill Hutton	Tom Graves	Susan Marks
Hank Livingstone	Todd Harvey	Ivy Prall
Duncan McKellar	Janet Hudson	Tom Presler
Diane Miner	Scott Sitter	Sue Reynolds
Patty Orr	Jill Walton	Ed Ritter
Vicki Wallace	Marcia Williams	Jane Wallace
Rod Wolfe		

MAY 2012 FINANCIAL REPORT

Income for May	\$39,942.96
Expenses for May	\$40,679.40
Net Operating Total for May	-\$736.44
Year to date income	\$202,599.01
Year to date expenses	\$206,198.93
Year-to-date operating total	-\$3,599.92



First Presbyterian Church

*With Christ as our Savior and Guide,
We seek to know God's love and share it
With each other, our community and the world.
We invite you to join us in this journey of
discipleship!*

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