

Morning Worship

July 22, 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

As you gather your people together, Almighty God,
give wings to our praises to magnify your name!

**You led your people in the desert times of
wandering through a pillar of cloud by day and
a pillar of fire by night.**

**So bring your word to us this day to lead us
along the way.**

You revealed yourself as a good shepherd who leads his
flock to waters of refreshment and pastures of rest;

**So in this hour of worship, may we be so
inspired by the life of Jesus that we may follow
him joyfully and obey him courageously
wherever he may lead, to the glory of your
holy name. Amen!**

* HYMN #281 "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"

THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Eternal God, in whom we live and move and have
our being, whose face is hidden from us by our
sins, and whose mercy we forget in the
blindness of our hearts:**

**Cleanse us from all our offenses, and deliver us
from proud thoughts and vain desires, that
with reverent and humble hearts we may draw
near to you, confessing our faults, confiding in
your grace, and finding in you our refuge and
strength: through Jesus Christ your Son.**

Now hear our silent, personal confessions...

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

* GLORIA PATRI

Hymn #579

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

RESPONSIVE READING

Psalm 139:1-10

O Lord, you have searched me and known me!
You know when I sit down and when I rise up;
**You discern my thoughts from far away.
You search out my path and my lying down,
and are acquainted with all my ways.**

Even before a word is on my tongue, O Lord, you
know it completely. You hem me in, behind and
before, and lay your hand upon me.

**Such knowledge is too wonderful for me;
it is so high that I cannot attain it.**

Where can I go from your spirit?

Or where can I flee from your presence?

**If I ascend to heaven, you are there; if I make
my bed in the depths, you are there. If I take
the wings of the morning and settle at the
farthest limits of the sea, even there your hand
shall lead me, and your right hand shall hold
me fast.**

ANTHEM (11:00) "As the Deer" setting by J. F. Wilson
adapted from Psalm 42

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 READING

Acts 16:6-10

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

SERMON "Playing the Ball Where It Lies"

*"We know that in all things God works for the good of those
who love him, who have been called according to his
purpose."*

Romans 8:28

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

* HYMN #404

"Precious Lord, Take My Hand"

* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Apostles Creed, pg. 14

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

The Offertory

* The Doxology, Hymn # 592

*Prayer of Dedication

*HYMN #321

"Holy Spirit, Truth Divine"

* 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

* POSTLUDE

WORSHIP NOTES

Hank Livingstone is the Elder of the Day. **Amy Lewellen** is
the

liturgist.

Next Sunday, Pastor Dave will continue the summer sermon
series

from the Book of Acts with the message, "Songs from a
Prison

House at Midnight" from Acts 16:11-34.

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 offering plate.
- * If you are able, please stand

THIS WEEK AT FIRST

Sunday, July 22

10:15 am **Memorial Gathering for Louise Snider** –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.

4-6:00 pm **Middle School Youth** meet at the AOC for a devotion and games.

Monday, July 23

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 24

5:30 pm **Yoga** class in the fellowship hall.

Wednesday, July 25

10:00 am **Bible Study** in the church library –please join us!

6:30 pm Senior Highs meet at Wendy’s on Madison St. Please bring money for the meal.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Past sermons from the series on Acts are available in print in the vestibule of the sanctuary and outside the church office: July 1, “Anatomy of a Conversion” (Acts 9); July 8, “When Tradition Undercuts Our Mission” (Acts 10:15); and July 15, “When the Church Prays” (Acts 12:6).

The Advent Craft Fair is planned for Dec. 2. So that children will not have to purchase the crafts they will create as Christmas gifts, the session has approved bake sales to help raise funds for crafts. Another way to help is for sponsorship of a craft, whether you or your family would be interested in funding supplies for a craft, if you have a craft that

you would like to lead, or if you would like to donate baked items. Please contact Heather Thurman, fair director, at thurmanheather@yahoo.com or the church office, if interested. Watch bulletins and the newsletter for details and the upcoming dates for bake sales.

Interested in an in-depth weekly Bible study? Rev. Ken Gillespie will be leading the “Disciple” Bible Study beginning Thursday, August 9 throughout the 9-month school calendar. Please see details and a complete course description on the flyer in the vestibule and the table outside the church office.

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 \$10 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.

Connie Parker, FPC Financial Administrator, will be mailing pledge statements in July. Please look over your statement and check to make sure your contributions are up to date. Also, please read the Financial Report on the back page of this bulletin.

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 fpcclarksville@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 \$6,796.65 from Kroger, thanks to your purchases! **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 immediately following 11:00 worship.

The **Annual Church Picnic** will be held at the Hudson Farm on Sunday, September 9. Details will be in upcoming bulletins and in the August newsletter.

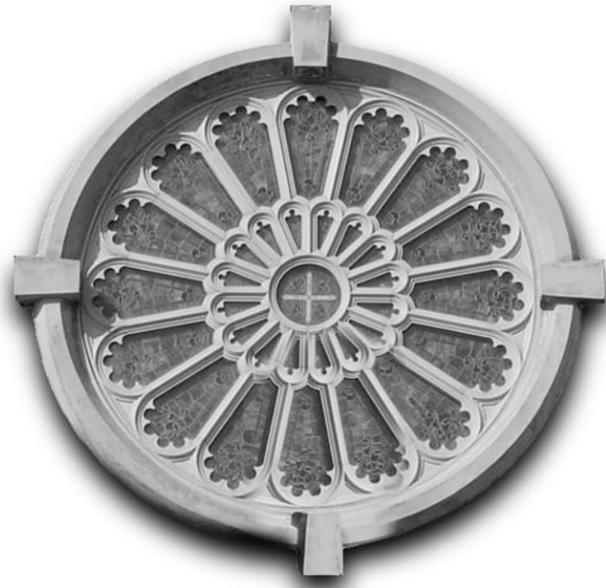
Church Bus Drivers are urgently needed! If you are interested in obtaining a Commercial Drivers License please contact Neesa in the church office. The church reimburses all licensing fees.

JUNE 2012 FINANCIAL REPORT

Income for June	\$31,857.79
Expenses for June	\$49,259.85
Net Operating Total for June	-\$17,402.06
Year to date income	\$234,456.80
Year to date expenses	\$255,458.58
Year-to-date operating total	-\$21,001.78

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		



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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