

First Presbyterian Church Wichita, Kansas



June 3, 2018
10:45 a.m.

Prelude *Trumpet Tune, Grazioso and Bourrée* Georg Philipp Telemann

Processional Khyah Van Es

Greetings

*Call to Worship

Leader: We come to worship God, who has made us and knows us;

People: We come to celebrate God's presence among us!

Leader: We come to follow Jesus, who leads us to new life;

People: We come with joy, knowing in Christ we have eternal life!

Leader: We come to listen to the Holy Spirit, who calls us forth;

People: May we enter this worship knowing the Spirit is alive among us! Amen!

*Prayer of the Day

Blessed are you, O God, for you have made us your children. You have brought us here to worship you and given us the confidence of your salvation. Teach us your truth and send your Holy Spirit upon us this day. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

*Hymn *Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise* No. 263

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

O God, you see us in our sin and yet, you love us. And even when we continue on and on, over and over again with the same failings, your grace never runs out. We praise you for your faithfulness. We confess our inability to flee temptation apart from you. So, keep our eyes set ever on you. Holy Spirit, continue to remind us of what is true and convict us of sin when it is necessary. Turn our hearts back to you, our Father. Forgive us and make us righteous in your sight. Amen.

Silence

Choral Response

Assurance of Pardon

Beloved, God who created us and knows us by name sent his only Son to redeem us, and not to condemn. In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Alleluia! Amen.

*Song of Thanksgiving *Gloria Patri* No. 579



Welcome, Visitors!

We extend a special welcome to those who are visiting First Presbyterian Church this morning. We are glad you are here!

Large print bulletins and hymnals are available from an usher. Transistor hearing aids are also available for your use. Please ask any usher for one and feel free to sit wherever you wish in the Sanctuary while using one.

All persons are encouraged to sign the Ritual of Friendship Pads as they are passed to you in the pews. Please include your address, email address, and telephone number. **Please remember to turn off your cell phone before worship this morning.**

Children's Information—God put the wiggle in children; don't feel you have to suppress those wiggles in God's house. Children are welcome in worship. We offer children's busy bags located just outside the Sanctuary doors. But if you feel that your child is having a difficult time sitting through church, you are welcome to worship in *The Well*. We ask that you please be respectful of others who might be worshipping in *The Well*. We also have a nursery located at the south end of the Case Building with trained staff to engage and attend children 0-5 years of age. Remember that the way we welcome children in the church directly affects the way they respond to the church, God, and to one another. Let them know they are at home in this house of Worship. *On EPIC Sundays the Nursery is closed. (Liz Norris—Director of Children's Ministry)

A quick reminder: Under the Child Protection Policy, children are not allowed to leave the sanctuary without an adult escort. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Praying for the Church Family—As a congregation we weekly focus our personal and corporate prayers upon a selection of church members and friends. Let us remember in prayer this week the following: Aimee & Dean Wallace, Michelle Sears, Sharon Salazar, Mark Robertson, David Blumenshine, Tom & Peggy Church, and Beth & Jerry Devins.

Flowers—The flowers for our services this morning are given to the glory of God and in recognition of the unsung heroes who quietly and anonymously help others by Mary and Jack Hollowell.

If you need a Stephen Minister, or would like more information about the Stephen Ministry, please contact Dr. Brent Johnston at 263-0248 or Louise Farmer at lfarmer4164@gmail.com.

Activities & Announcements

Vacation Bible School

June 4th-8th 9 a.m.-12 p.m. at First Presbyterian Church. Snacks will be provided. Please have children wear comfortable shoes and bring sunblock as some of our day is outside. ALL registration is due by May 20, 2018. If you have any questions, please call Liz Norris@ 316-214-4318 or email childrendirector@firstchurchwichita.org

Kids Games Camp

9601 W. 73rd Street N. Valley Center, KS 67147, June 18th-22nd, 9:30 a.m.- 4:30 p.m. @ Whispering Winds camp. Parents are responsible for transportation to church camp unless they make other arrangements with the Director of Children's Ministry. Cost of camp is \$40 for the week (scholarships are available upon review). This camp is centered around team building and sharing God's love for one and other. This year's theme will be, "Together everyone achieves more." The camp offers energizers, a variety of games we will play each day indoors and outdoors, a scripture lesson each day, provided snack, and swimming each afternoon. Please bring a plastic sack, bug spray, sunscreen, hats, sunglasses, and pool toys to share. Each day children will need to bring a sack lunch, swimsuit and towel. Questions please contact Liz Norris @ (316)-214-4318 or Cynthia Rekoske @ (316)992-9595

Camp Needs

The list of items needed for camp is now on the bulletin board outside the nursery.

Shhhhhh! Silent Auction—Fall 2018

First Church is looking for folks who would like to submit a themed basket or items for a Silent Auction this September 9th. Along with a dinner, BINGO, and baked goods, proceeds of the auction will go to spiritual growth programming for all age groups, like adult retreats, renowned guest speakers, camp tuition, and facility needs for children. Fill your "spiritual cup" and another's by donating a basket of goodies to be auctioned off! Contact Michelle Murray-Cline for details or questions! 794-1195

WHISPERING WINDS CAMP- Freedom Festival

Our third annual Freedom Festival will be held on Sunday July 1 at the Whispering Winds Camp (about 2 miles west of 73rd Street North and Ridge Road). The Pools will open at 3 p.m. with free admission and will remain open through the evening, with life guards on duty. The pool water will be warmed by solar-heat, the concrete pool decks and benches will be cooled by special paint, and the Lodge will be cooled by ceiling fans and air-conditioning. Games and activities will be provided for the kids. A golf cart will be available for transportation needs or to tour the Camp grounds and trails. We will have a Freedom-themed Vesper service at 5 p.m., in the Lodge. The service will include patriotic songs and ringing of our bell tower (Let Freedom Ring). Following Vespers, we will have dinner in the Lodge. The Camp will barbecue bratwurst, hamburgers, and hot dogs for dinner. Guests are requested to bring pot-luck side dishes and desserts. After dinner, activities will continue and families may set off BYO fireworks near the basketball court, provided a fireworks ban has not been issued by the County.

Congregation Meeting

We will be having a congregation meeting to elect class of 2021 after the 9:30 a.m. Service June 10, 2018. We will hear a report and recommendation from the Nomination Committee.

2nd Corinthians 4: 5-12

5 For what we preach is not ourselves, but Jesus Christ as Lord, and ourselves as your servants for Jesus' sake. **6** For God, who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," made his light shine in our hearts to give us the light of the knowledge of God's glory displayed in the face of Christ. **7** But we have this treasure in jars of clay to show that this all-surpassing power is from God and not from us. **8** We are hard pressed on every side, but not crushed; perplexed, but not in despair; **9** persecuted, but not abandoned; struck down, but not destroyed. **10** We always carry around in our body the death of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be revealed in our body. **11** For we who are alive are always being given over to death for Jesus' sake, so that his life may also be revealed in our mortal body. **12** So then, death is at work in us, but life is at work in you.

Mark 2: 23 – 3:6

23 One Sabbath Jesus was going through the grain fields, and as his disciples walked along, they began to pick some heads of grain. **24** The Pharisees said to him, "Look, why are they doing what is unlawful on the Sabbath?" **25** He answered, "Have you never read what David did when he and his companions were hungry and in need? **26** In the days of Abiathar the high priest, he entered the house of God and ate the consecrated bread, which is lawful only for priests to eat. And he also gave some to his companions." **27** Then he said to them, "The Sabbath was made for man, not man for the Sabbath. **28** So the Son of Man is Lord even of the Sabbath."

1 Another time Jesus went into the synagogue, and a man with a shriveled hand was there. **2** Some of them were looking for a reason to accuse Jesus, so they watched him closely to see if he would heal him on the Sabbath. **3** Jesus said to the man with the shriveled hand, "Stand up in front of everyone." **4** Then Jesus asked them, "Which is lawful on the Sabbath: to do good or to do evil, to save life or to kill?" But they remained silent. **5** He looked around at them in anger and, deeply distressed at their stubborn hearts, said to the man, "Stretch out your hand." He stretched it out, and his hand was completely restored. **6** Then the Pharisees went out and began to plot with the Herodians how they might kill Jesus.



The third ecumenical Listening for Peace Event will be held at St. Francis of Assisi on June 7th at 7:00 p.m.

The intention of this event is to continue to engage in prayer, conversation and collaboration which builds on common ground of faith across multiple denominations. Divisions are toxic to the Christian work and witness in the community.

It's hard to have Division with someone you are praying with.

Calendar

Sunday, June 3

- 8:00 Cowtown Worship
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- 9:15 Coffee Fellowship (*The Well*)
- 10:15 Choir Rehearsal (S211)
- 10:45 Refugee Worship (C204)
- 10:45 Worship (Sanctuary)
- 12:15 Volunteer/ Counselor Training
(*The Well*)

Monday, June 4

- 9:00 VBS

Tuesday, June 5

- 9:00 VBS
- 5:30 Facilities/Stewardship Mtg
(WDR)
- 6:00 Deacons (C109)

Wednesday, June 6

- 9:00 VBS
- 9:00 Dorcas Circle (C107)
- 1:00 Summer Splash (Camp)

Thursday, June 7

- 9:00 VBS

Friday, June 8

- 9:00 VBS

Saturday, June 9

- 9:00 Garden & Grounds
- 9:30 Transportation Mtg (C109)
- 11:00 Brent's Bible Study (Hobbs)

Sunday, June 10

- 9:00 Coffee Fellowship (*The Well*)
- 9:30 Worship (Sanctuary)
- 10:45 Refugee Worship (Parlor)
- 10:45 Congregation Mtg (Sanctuary)

Worship Schedule for The Summer!

June 10, 2018 Summer Schedule Begins, worship at 9:30 a.m. in Sanctuary

*The Peace

Leader: Since God has forgiven us in Christ, let us forgive one another. The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

People:

And also with you.

First Reading

2nd Corinthians 4: 5-12

Second Reading

Mark 2: 23-3:6

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

“Sabotage on the Sabbath ”

Pastor Judy Conners

Call to Stewardship

Offertory Anthem *Come to the Table*

Joseph M. Martin

*Doxology

No. 592

*Prayer of Dedication

Celebration of the Lord's Supper

Invitation to the Table

Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them 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...

Lord's Prayer

Words of Institution

Communion of the People

Communion Music *Come Down, O Love Divine*
Prayer after Communion

Henry Ley

*Hymn *Christ of the Upward Way*

No. 344

*Charge and Benediction

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Recessional

*Postlude *Allegro*

Everett Titcomb

*signifies congregation standing (for those able)

Worship Leaders

Senior Pastor
Parish Associate
Director of Music
Organist

Brent O. Johnston
Judy Conners
Steve Bixler
Mark Sweeney