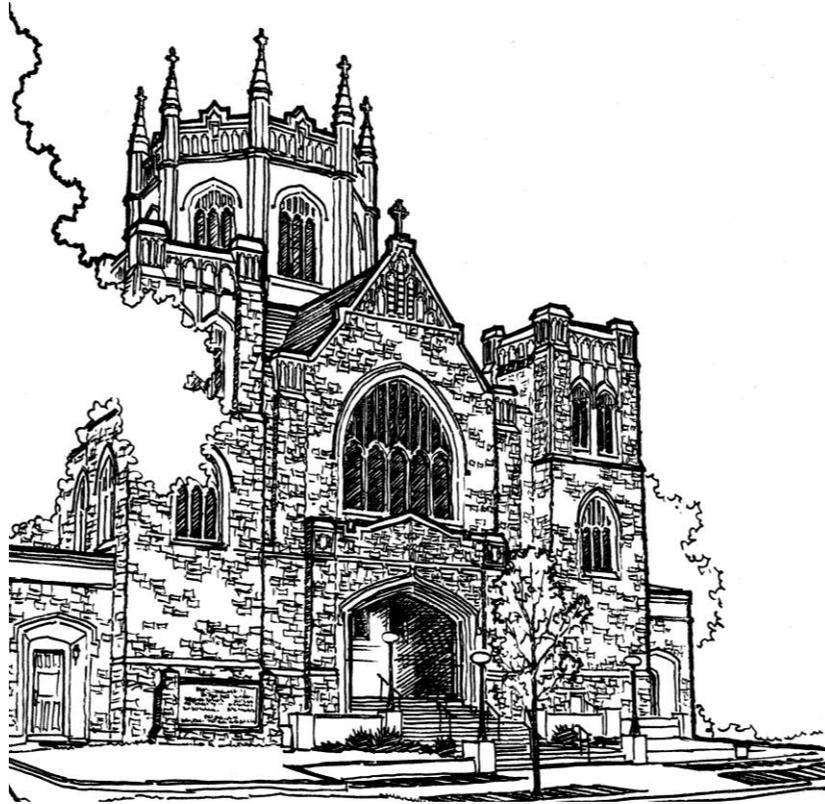


First Presbyterian Church Wichita, Kansas



August 19, 2018
9:30 a.m.

Prelude *Marche de Fête* Büsser/Wood

Processional Brandon & Carter Bowles

Greetings

*Call to Worship

Leader: Our help is in the name of the Lord

People: who made heaven and earth.

Leader: This is the day the Lord has made,

People: let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Leader: Let us worship God.

*Prayer of Adoration

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires, known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

*Hymn *Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty* No. 482

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. In your mercy forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

Silence

Choral Response

Assurance of Pardon

*Song of Thanksgiving "Gloria Patri" No. 579

*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.

Time with the Children Bruce C



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: Kay & Mack McDoniel, Iris Weirick, Cassandra Leidig-Carillo, Ralph Fiebach, Virginia Edwards and Nancy Moore.

Sympathy—The white rose this morning is in memory of Marjorie Tillery. Please pray for her friends & family as they grieve her recent death.

Flowers—The flowers for our services this morning are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Shirley Gabrielson by Ken Gabrielson.

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



Don your Super Hero Cape and join your church family for a fabulous afternoon of fellowship with a church dinner, playing Bingo for prizes, and making bids on Silent Auction baskets. **BRING FRIENDS!!** All proceeds of the event will go to support spiritual growth and renewal of our congregation as we approach FPC's 150th

Anniversary!! Contact Michelle Murray-Cline at 794-1195 if you have any concerns or would love to assist!

Quarterly Reports

Second quarter contribution statements are in the office in alphabetical order. Please pick them up at your convenience.

Pastor Brent's Surgery and Recovery;

Pastor Brent had surgery to fuse two of his vertebrae in his neck on August 3rd and is taking the month of August off to make a full recovery. If you need pastoral care, please contact Pastor Judy or if you need Administrative help, please contact Amanda Burk at our office phone 316.263.0248.

Young Adults! Free swimming at Whispering Winds Camp!

All young adults at FPC and their friends are invited to a summer barbecue and pool party on Saturday, September 1, from 2-6 p.m! Please join us for this fun afternoon of grilling out, chilling by the pool, and hanging out with the other young adults in our church. Questions? Call or text Geri Doll 316-737-885

BIG, BANG, BINGO!

**.....and the not so Silent
Auction**

**Sunday, September
9th
12 Noon - 3 PM**

Church Dinner with a Bin-
go Card:

Adult - \$10 Child - \$5 Family of
4+ - \$30

**Dinner Tickets go on sale in Au-
gust!**

Donations appreciated for Bingo

Judges 6: 11-16

Now the angel of the LORD came and sat under the oak at Ophrah, which belonged to Joash the Abiezrite, as his son Gideon was beating out wheat in the wine press, to hide it from the Midianites. The angel of the Lord appeared to him and said to him, "The LORD is with you, you mighty warrior." Gideon answered him, "But sir, if the LORD is with us, why then has all this happened to us? And where are all his wonderful deeds that our ancestors recounted to us, saying, 'Did not the LORD bring us up from Egypt?' But now the LORD has cast us off and given us into the hand of Midian." Then the LORD turned to him and said, "Go in this might of yours and deliver Israel from the hand of Midian; I hereby commission you." He responded, "But sir, how can I deliver Israel? My clan is the weakest in Manasseh, and I am the least in my family."

Matthew 20: 1-16

"For the kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard. After agreeing with the laborers for the usual daily wage, he sent them into his vineyard. When he went out about nine o'clock, he saw others standing idle in the marketplace; and he said to them, 'You also go into the vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right.' So they went. When he went out again about noon and about three o'clock, he did the same. And about five o'clock he went out and found others standing around; and he said to them, 'Why are you standing here idle all day?' They said to him, 'Because no one has hired us.' He said to them, 'You also go into the vineyard.' When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his manager, 'Call the laborers and give them their pay, beginning with the last and then going to the first.' When those hired about five o'clock came, each of them received the usual daily wage. Now when the first came, they thought they would receive more, but each of them also received the usual daily wage. And when they received it, they grumbled against the landowner, saying, 'These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.' But he replied to one of them, 'Friend, I am doing you no wrong; did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage? Take what belongs to you and go; I choose to give to this last the same as I give to you. Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or are you envious because I am generous?' So the last will be first, and the first will be last."

Calendar

Sunday, August 19

- 9:00 Blood Pressure Check (*The Well*)
- 9:00 Dillon's Reward & Camp Mtg
(*The Well*)
- 9:15 Coffee Fellowship (*The Well*)
- 9:30 Worship (Sanctuary)
- 10:45 Refugee Worship (Parlor)

Tuesday, August 21

- 11:00 Staff Meeting (*The Well*)

Wednesday, August 22

- 9:00 Dorcas Circle (C107)
- 6:15 James Ringer (Sanctuary)
- 7:00 Chancel Choir (Rehearsal Room)

Sunday, August 26

- 9:15 Coffee Fellowship (*The Well*)
- 9:30 Worship (Sanctuary)
- 10:45 Refugee Worship (Parlor)

First Reading

Judges 6: 11-16

Anthem

With a Voice of Singing

Martin Shaw

With a voice of singing, declare ye this and let it be heard. Alleluia.

Utter it even unto the ends of the earth! The Lord hath delivered his people. Alleluia.

O be joyful in God all ye lands. O sing praises to the honor of his name. Make his praise to be glorious.

Second Reading

Matthew 20: 1-16

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

“God’s Great Reversals ”

Elder Jeff Van Sickle

*Affirmation of Faith

Apostles Creed (Traditional) pg.14

Prayers of the People & the Lord’s Prayer

Alice Price

Call to Stewardship

Offertory

Do Don’t Touch-A My Garment

arr. Charles

Lloyd, Jr.

Gretchen Bixler, Soprano

Do don’t touch-a my garment, good Lord, I’m gwine home.

To your God and my God, good Lord, I’m gwine home.

Do don’t touch-a my slippers, good Lord, I’m gwine home.

Touch me not, little Mary. Good Lord, I’m gwine home.

Do don’t touch-a my starry crown, good Lord, I’m gwine home.

To your God and my God, good Lord, I’m gwine home.

*Doxology

No. 592

*Prayer of Dedication

*Hymn

Let All Things Now Living

No. 554

*Charge and Benediction

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

*Choral Response

Recessional

*Postlude

Praise to the Lord

H. F. Micheelsen

*signifies congregation standing (for those able)

Worship Leaders

Senior Pastor
Parish Associate
Director of Music
Organist

Brent O. Johnston
Judy Conners
Steve Bizler
Mark Sweeney