

CHURCH CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

<p style="text-align: center;">SUNDAY, JULY 18</p> <p>8:00am Worship, Chapel</p> <p>9:00am Meet the Church Leaders, 306</p> <p>9:30am Infant & Toddler Childcare, 103</p> <p>10:00am Worship, Sanctuary KLS Worship, Chapel</p> <p>11:00am KLS Fellowship, FH</p> <p style="text-align: center;">MONDAY, JULY 19</p> <p>5:00pm Communication Meeting, SR</p> <p style="text-align: center;">TUESDAY, JULY 20</p> <p>11:30am Staff Meeting, 302</p> <p style="text-align: center;">WEDNESDAY, JULY 21</p> <p style="text-align: center;">THURSDAY, JULY 22</p> <p>5:00pm Foundation Meeting, SR</p> <p style="text-align: center;">FRIDAY, JULY 23</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">SATURDAY, JULY 24</p> <p style="text-align: center;">SUNDAY, JULY 25</p> <p>8:00am Worship, Chapel</p> <p>9:00am Meet the Church Leaders, 306 Chancel Choir Rehearsal, MR</p> <p>9:30am Infant & Toddler Childcare, 103</p> <p>10:00am Worship, Sanctuary KLS Worship, Chapel</p> <p>11:00am KLS Fellowship, FH</p>
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CL - Chapel Lounge
CF1 - Conference Room 1
FH - Fellowship Hall
FO - Front Office

LB - Library
MF - McKay Foyer
MH - McKay Hall
MR - Music Room

PR - Parlor
SDR - Small Dining Room
SR - Session Room
TH - Theater



First Presbyterian Church

WELCOMING - ACCEPTING - CARING
IN THE CENTER OF FORT WAYNE

8:00am & 10:00am Services

The Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 18, 2010

THE PRELUDE Christ is the World's Light setting by Robert A. Hobby

The beginning of the Prelude is a call to silent, personal preparation for the worship of God.

THE SILENT PRAYERS

THE TOLLING OF THE HOUR

†**THE CALL TO WORSHIP**

One: The word of God awaits us here; come to worship.
The Holy Spirit welcomes us; gather to pray.

**All: From the routines and struggles of our lives, we come again.
Amid the stresses and worries of every day, we gather.**

One: Come to be renewed in the Spirit of Christ.
God is waiting to offer us a new life of freedom.

**All: In hope, we seek God's caring presence.
In faith, we dare to trust God's steadfast love.**

One: Plunge into soul-refreshing waters that invigorate;
offer to one another the bread of life.

**All: We are resident aliens in a foreign land;
God's realm is the true home we are seeking.**

One: Let us pray...

†**THE PRAYER OF PRAISE AND ADORATION**

All: God of hosts, renew in us the hope that survives disappointment and the faith that rises above ridicule. Help to stand for what is right and to champion the cause of those who have no voice or power of their own. You, O God, are the source of life. By your Spirit, we are your daughters and sons and are sisters and brothers to one another. Equip us to live as members of your family, uniting in one voice of praise and worship. Amen.

†**THE HYMN** No. 460 Holy God, We Praise Your Name

GROSSER GOTT, WIR LOBEN DICH

† *Those who are able please stand*

THE CALL TO CONFESSION

One: We cannot hide our guilt from ourselves, and most certainly we cannot hide our wrongdoing from God. Neither can we run away from ourselves, or from God. We are invited to let go of all that isolates us from God and from our own true selves. Let us pray...

THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

All: Rescue us, O God, from sinking in the mire of pretension and guilt. Save us from the deadly grasp of unacknowledged sin. Keep us from presuming to judge others, when we ourselves need even more to be corrected. We confess now in silence, the offenses we recall... Forgive, we pray, our sins which keep us from life in your Spirit. Amen.

THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON

One: This is God's acceptable time of forgiveness and healing. Live, then, as free people, who celebrate God's mercy and reach out to others in Christ's name. Amen.

†**THE GLORIA PATRI** No. 579 Glory Be to the Father

Henry W. Greatorex

†**THE PEACE**

Minister: The peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

Minister: Let us greet each other in the peace of Christ.

(The people exchange signs of peace and reconciliation with one another.)

INVITING THE CHILDREN 10:00am

(Children are invited to come to the Chancel steps for the story while the congregation sings. Worshipers may be seated as the music begins.)

Jesus loves me! This I know, for the Bible tells me so...

JESUS LOVES ME

THE WORD WITH THE CHILDREN 10:00am

(Children should return to sit with their parents after the Word with the Children)

THE FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

Hosea 8:1-12

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

10:00am Alice Chitwood

All: Thanks be to God!

THE SECOND SCRIPTURE READING

Colossians 1:9-23

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God!

THE SERMON

In First Place

Rev. Ed Dykstra

†**THE HYMN** No. 457 I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art

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† **THE APOSTLES' CREED** (*The Presbyterian Hymnal, page 14*)

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

THE CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

All: 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. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

THE PRESENTATION OF OUR GIFTS & TITHES

Offertory Holy Spirit, Truth Divine

setting by Healey Willan

† **THE DOXOLOGY** No. 592 Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

OLD HUNDREDTH

† **THE PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

All: We present here practical expressions of thanksgiving to extend your purpose in the world. May this offering scatter seeds of love in life-changing ways. May we learn from all we help, that all of us may grow toward discipleship. Amen.

† **THE HYMN** No. 539 Savior, Again to Thy Dear Name We Raise

ELLERS

† **THE CHARGE AND BLESSING**

† **THE POSTLUDE** Prelude and Fugue in B Flat

J. S. Bach

Litany adapted from **Fresh Winds of the Spirit, Book 2** by Lavon Bayler

The Scripture readings for today are Hosea 8:1-12, p. 840 and Colossians 1:9-23, p. 199-200.

The Lectionary readings for today are Amos 8:1-12, p. 856; Psalm 52, p. 521; Colossians 1:15-28, p. 200; and Luke 10:38-42, p. 72.

Lectionary readings for next week are Hosea 1:2-10, p. 835; Psalm 85, p. 543-544; Colossians 2:6-19, p. 200-201; and Luke 11:1-13, p. 72.

Here's how you can help:

- Contact your local NBC affiliate and ask them to order and air "**2010 Horizons of the Spirit Series**" – **Coming Home: Katrina 5 Years Later**. It is available through the Interfaith Broadcasting Commission from September 12, 2010 through March 12, 2011.
- Tell them this would have a positive effect upon your community. If you or members of your church participated in a volunteer mission trip to the Gulf Coast, let them know.
- Encourage others in your congregation and community to spread the word and contact their local NBC stations today!

HELP WANTED, A Job Offer from Associated Churches: Associated Churches has part-time opportunities available in their Educational Ministries. Individuals would work in FWCS and EACS systems, teaching non-denominational religious education to third, fourth and fifth graders during the school day. Hours could vary from 5-20 hours per week depending on availability of applicant. Applicant must have Bachelors degree or experience in teaching children. If interested call Sarah, 422-3528 or e-mail sarah@fortwaynecares.org.

Some News from Wellspring: First Presbyterian Church has been an ongoing supporter of Wellspring Interfaith Social Services for many years. The following is from Wellspring, inviting us to participate in some fun fundraising events.

Wellspring will be involved in two summer fund raising events. Our goal is to double the amount of funds raised in special events compared to 2009, which would allow us to continue to meet the increasing demand for our direct program services. These events are:

Taking Swings for Hunger - On Sunday, August 15 (1:00pm to 4:00pm) Wellspring and the Fort Wayne TinCaps will co-sponsor an event where individuals will be able to step up to the plate, eye the pitcher and take swings at Parkview Field. Prizes will be awarded to the top batters in classifications. Entry fees are \$50.00 (ten swings) and \$25.00 (five) with the funds raised being earmarked for the Wellspring Food Bank.

Bowling for Wellspring -Wellspring is looking for individuals (adults and youth) who will bowl two games for our organization gaining pledges to support our programs. Team captains recruit four others who each have a goal of raising \$100.00. The event will be held at Westwood Lanes, 2400 W. Jefferson, and participants have a choice of one of three times: **Friday, Sept. 10, 9:30pm; Sunday, Sept. 12, 12:00noon; Sunday, Sept. 12, 2:30pm.** Bowling and refreshments are free and T-Shirts and prizes will be awarded.

For more information on any of the events please contact Frank Zirille:

Phone: 422-6618 **Email:** fzirille@wellspringinterfaith.org

NEWSLETTER DEADLINES: The deadline for the August issue of *First News* will be Monday, July 26 at 5:00pm (because Luci will be on vacation the two weeks prior). Beginning in August, newsletter items are due on the 15th of each month by 5:00pm, or the following business day if the 15th falls on a Saturday or Sunday. Please send all submissions to the church office or directly to Luci at lfoltz@firstpres-fw.org. Thank you.

WELCOME TO FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

JULY 18, 2010

To Our Guests: We are glad you are worshiping with us today. Please complete the "Visitors Card" in the red sign-in pad and join us for fellowship in the Narthex after the service. If this is your first visit with us, we have a special gift for you at the Welcome Table.

Welcome: First Presbyterian Church of Fort Wayne welcomes you to its worship and to its work. Founded in 1831, the oldest continuously worshipping congregation in the city, both our theology and the practice of our faith have always been progressive. Our traditions help us live joyfully in the present and toward the future.

We have been blessed by our forebears with a beautiful building, but we know that it is the spirit of the church family within that building that makes us part of Jesus Christ's Church. We are a family of faith, a community seeking God's will. Our ministry and mission are diverse, providing avenues of service for all kinds of people, regardless of race, sex, age, or worldly condition. The whole city is our parish. Our mission is worldwide.

We invite you to help us be a better church, and we would like to be for you a "family of faith", a "home" in Fort Wayne. If you are curious about our ministry and mission, or if you are feeling a nudge by God's Spirit to explore the possibility of finding a church home with us, please let us know. Speak with a pastor or member this morning or contact Rev. Ed Dykstra, 426-7421.

THIS MORNING

This morning coffee, juice and rolls are served in the Small Dining Room beginning at 8:30am.

The Chancel Flowers are in memory of Gerald A. Grauer and Edna J. Grauer by their son Robert and daughter Mary and family.

Children's Activity Packets, available each Sunday for ages 3-6 and 7-12, may be picked up as you enter the Sanctuary.

Childcare is Available in the Nursery beginning at 9:30am each Sunday during the Summer.

No Young Children & Worship in July or August. Children will return to sit with their parents after the *Word with The Children* or they may be taken to the Nursery.

Nametag Reminder: Please remember to pick up and drop off your nametags! Thanks!

Please sign the Attendance Sheet in the Red Folder found at the end of each pew. Not only does this give you an opportunity to learn your neighbors' names, it is also a huge help in assuring that we have an accurate attendance count each Sunday. Thank you.

A limited number of sermons will be made available in the church office prior to worship. This is primarily intended for the hearing impaired so they may be able to follow along during the sermon. Others may also pick one up if they choose.

TODAY

Meet the Church Leaders: This morning at 9:00am, in room 306, you have an opportunity to meet with our Interim Head of Staff, Ed Dykstra. Come with your questions.

GODSPELL at Plymouth Congregational Church: GODSPELL will conclude Plymouth Congregational Church's 2010 Summer Arts Festival. The final performance is today at 2:00pm. The performance is free, but an offering will be collected during intermission.

The Presbytery of Whitewater Valley Staff routinely prays for a congregation each week. We have been notified that we will be in their prayers this week, July 18-24.

UPCOMING AND ONGOING

Calling All Knitters: Join us on the first Wednesday of each month at 3:00pm in the Parlor to knit for peace, share patterns and ideas, learn to knit or teach knitting to anyone who would like to learn. Questions? Contact Alice Chitwood, 744-3802.

The latest PACT (Presbyterians of Allen County Together) Newsletter is available on our website, www.firstpres-fw.org. Click on the "Media and Resources" tab and then on "Downloads". Upcoming events available to all area Presbyterians including a Bible study series, English and Spanish language classes and Presbyterian Officer training are detailed in the newsletter.

In the Gallery June 3 through August 26—FAME ART featuring the colorful, spontaneous works of area elementary school children selected for exhibition by teachers and judges, from thousands of entries from schools throughout Allen and surrounding counties.

Sundays during the Summer you will have the opportunity to meet the leaders of the church from 9:00am until 9:45am in room 306. Light refreshments will be served. The schedule for the rest of the summer is as follows: July 25, Communication / Youth, Christa Cook and Bob Beatty; August 1, Building and Grounds, Kip Ormerod; August 8, Faith in Action, Paul Sheets; August 15, Personnel, Jean Linville; August 22, Religious Arts, Mary Jo Meyer; and August 29, Mission Appropriations / Adult Education, Peter Fettig and Sondra Mergenthal. Please take advantage of these opportunities to get your questions answered.

Opportunity at 8:00am Service: The 8 o'clock service needs individuals to greet, usher, or to be a liturgist. Please consider donating your time one Sunday a month! Contact Sally Swihart, 744-4645, for more information.

First Presbyterian Theater 2010-2011 Season Memberships are on sale now. Brochures are in the rack by the church office.

Be the Friendly Face of First Presbyterian: Please volunteer to be a greeter at one 10:00am service during August. Sign up in the church office. If you can smile, you are qualified for this job.

Forward Together Information: In November, in preparation for a "Lunch and Learn", the Implementation Team produced a document listing all of the Forward Together recommendations. This document indicated whether or not each recommendation had been implemented, was in the process of being implemented or favorably discussed and planned to be fully implemented. At a recent First Friends gathering, it was suggested that this document be made available to the congregation. This Forward Together document is now available in the information rack outside the church office.

As You Travel This Summer: in your travels please remember those less fortunate, and your unopened shampoo, conditioner, bath soap etc. to be used for the Deacon ditty bags that are distributed to those in need. Last year we donated to the YWCA Women's Shelter, Fort Wayne Rescue Mission, Charis House and more. Your Deacons made nice cloth bags to put toiletry items in for men, women and children. We have used everything that has been donated and are starting fresh this year. Please bring your donations to the church office. Thank you.

News from Presbyterian Disaster Assistance - We have an amazing opportunity to share, through a national television broadcast, the story of Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)'s long term response to Hurricane Katrina, and the thousands of volunteers who have worked alongside the people of the Gulf Coast. **But we need your help!** *Coming Home: Hurricane Katrina 5 Years Later* explores the relationships between survivors and volunteers. It is a documentary about what it means to survive a disaster and face the long term recovery process. It's a story about how the Presbyterian Church and Presbyterian Disaster Assistance stayed with the survivors long after the news teams left; and about how thousands of ordinary Presbyterians made an extraordinary difference in providing hope for the real people who lived through the hurricane and its destruction. This is a wonderful opportunity to share the ministry and faithful commitment to long-term recovery that Presbyterians have made! *Coming Home: Hurricane Katrina 5 Years Later* was selected to be part of the "Horizons of the Spirit" religion series, a cooperative effort of NBC-TV and the Interfaith Broadcasting Commission for nationwide broadcast starting September 12, 2010, and will be available for broadcast for a period of six months on your local NBC affiliates. The documentary is available, free, to NBC affiliate stations – BUT THEY MUST REQUEST THE PROGRAM.