

## CHURCH CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK



**First Presbyterian Church**

WELCOMING - ACCEPTING - CARING  
IN THE CENTER OF FORT WAYNE

8:00am & 11:00am Services

*Fourth Sunday after Epiphany*

*January 29, 2012*

† Those who are able please stand

**THE PRELUDE** Morning Aria

Rulon Christiansen

*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: This is the place, O God, and this is the time.

**All: Here and now you wait to break into our experience.**

One: To change our minds, to change our attitudes, to change our ways, to change our lives.

**All: To help us see the whole of life with your eyes and hear your Word for our own time.**

One: To help us smell the fragrance of your glory, to breathe in the freshness of your Spirit.

**All: To discover you in the unexpected, to worship You with our whole selves.**

One: Come, O God, awaken us to sing your praise!

† **THE PRAYER OF PRAISE AND ADORATION**

One: Let us pray together.

**All: You, O God, are strong and mighty forever. You cause the wind to blow and the rain to fall. You sustain the living, give life to the dead, support the weak, comfort the discouraged, and seek out the wandering. Who is like you, O God? Praise be to you forever. Amen.**

† **THE HYMN** No. 288 I Sing the Mighty Power of God

ELLACOMBE

**THE CALL TO CONFESSION**

One: We cannot come before God unless we are first honest with ourselves about who we are, about the mistakes we make, and about how well or poorly we care for others. In this spirit, let us together make our confession to God.

**THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

One: Let us pray together.

**All: Merciful God, you made us in your image, with a mind to know you, a heart to love you, and a will to serve you. But our knowledge is imperfect, our love inconstant, our obedience incomplete. Week by week, we dawdle and often fail to grow into your likeness. Forgive us, God. Wake us up and empower us again for your service. This is our humble and sincere prayer. Amen.**

**SUNDAY, JANUARY 29**  
 8:00am Worship, Chapel  
 9:00am APNC Committee, SR  
 9:45am Sunday School Classes  
 Children's Choirs, 210  
 New Member Orientation Class,  
 300  
 10:00am Chancel Choir Warm-Up, MR,  
 Loft  
 KLS Choir Rehearsal, 201  
 10:30am Special Session Meeting, 300  
 11:00am Worship, SC  
 KLS Worship, Chapel  
 11:15am Sunday School (age 3 - grade 5),  
 102, 103, 207, 210  
 12:00pm KLS Fellowship, FH  
 1:30pm KLS Choir Rehearsal, Chapel  
 2:00pm *Shakespeare's Will* Performance,  
 TH

**MONDAY, JANUARY 30**

1:30pm 3-B Lifetime Fitness, MH

**TUESDAY, JANUARY 31**

9:10am Day School Children's Chapel,  
 MH  
 9:30am Clergy Prayer, Chapel  
 10:00am Staff Meeting, 302

**WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 1**

10:00am Table Talk I, 302

**WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 1 (cont)**

1:00pm Women4Women Knitting4Peace,  
 PR  
 1:30pm 3-B Lifetime Fitness, MH  
 2:30pm Table Talk II, 306  
 6:30pm Dr. Spath's Class, 303  
 7:30pm KLS Evening Service, Chapel

**THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 2**

5:30pm Family Night, MH  
 7:00pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal, MR

**FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 3**

1:30pm 3-B Lifetime Fitness, MH  
 1:45pm Towne House Communion,  
 Towne House

**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 4**

**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 5**

*Annual Meeting / Candidate Sunday*

8:15am Continental Breakfast, MH  
 8:45am Annual Meeting, MH  
 9:00am Chancel Choir Warm-Up, MR,  
 Loft  
 10:00am Joint ELS/KLS Worship,  
 Communion, SC  
 10:15am Sunday School (age 3 - grade 5),  
 102, 103, 207, 210  
 11:00am Congregational Meeting, SC  
 12:00pm KLS Fellowship, FH  
 1:30pm KLS Choir Rehearsal, Chapel

CL - Chapel Lounge  
 FH - Fellowship Hall  
 FO - Front Office  
 LB - Library

MF - McKay Foyer  
 MH - McKay Hall  
 MR - Music Room  
 PR - Parlor

SC - Sanctuary  
 SDR - Small Dining Room  
 SR - Session Room  
 TH - Theater

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**How wonderful it is, the gift to gather and exalt God's Holy Name!** It is a blessing to us all to have staff members who are also members of our worshipping community. As members, we recognize how important it is for our Monday through Friday work to be performed accurately. We also realize that oral communication with us, especially on Sunday mornings, can be forgotten by Monday. Therefore, please follow up any Sunday morning conversations with staff with a phone or e-mail reminder, or leave a written note in the church office to be placed in the staff member's mailbox. All of our contact information is provided above. Thank you for making it possible for us to both work and worship together to serve our risen Lord.

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## **THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

One: Take comfort in the assurance that even those things that are hidden from memory, or are too deep for words, are not beyond God's forgiving love. God, who knows us completely, bestows pardon and peace. Friends, believe the good news of the gospel!

**All: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!**

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

**All: Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen.**

## †**THE PEACE**

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

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

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

## **INVITING THE CHILDREN 11:00am**

*(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 11:00am**

*(After The Word with the Children, children will meet their teachers at the back of the Sanctuary and go with them to Sunday School.)*

**THE CHORAL PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION 11:00am** Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence PICARDY

**THE PSALTER READING** Psalm 111, pg. 562-563

One: This is the Word of the Lord. 11:00am Stan Volz

**All: Thanks be to God!**

**THE GOSPEL READING** Mark 1:21-28, pg. 35

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God!**

**THE SERMON** *By Whose Authority?* Jeff Lehn

†**THE HYMN** No. 428 We Give Thee but Thine Own SCHUMANN

**THE SESSION**

**Moderator:** Rev. Jeffrey T. Lehn

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\* 1-year Term

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**THE RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS**

**PRESENTATION**

Jean Linville, Clerk of Session

**CONFESSION OF FAITH** (drawn from the Confession of 1967)

**All: God’s reconciling act in Jesus Christ is a mystery which the Scriptures describe in various ways. It is called the sacrifice of a lamb, a shepherd’s life given for his sheep, atonement by a priest; again it is ransom of a slave, payment of debt, vicarious satisfaction of a legal penalty, and victory over the powers of evil. These are expressions of a truth that remains beyond the reach of all theory in the depths of God’s love for humanity. They reveal the gravity, cost and sure achievement of God’s reconciling work. Amen.**

**PRAYER**

**WELCOME**

**All: With joy and thanksgiving, we welcome you to share with us in the ministry of Christ, for we are all one in him.**

**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; and 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 8:00am** Aria on "Ellacombe"

Jon Spong

**Offertory Anthem 11:00am** God of Grace and God of Glory

Austin C. Lovelace

Based On “Restoration” from Southern Harmony, 1835

God of grace and God of glory, On thy people pour thy power;  
Crown thine ancient church’s story; Bring her bud to glorious flower.  
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, For the facing of this hour.

Lo! The hosts of evil ‘round us Scorn thy Christ, assail his ways!  
Fears and doubts too long have bound us; Free our hearts to work and praise.  
Grant us wisdom; grant us courage, For the living of these days.

Cure thy children’s warring madness; Bend our pride to thy control;  
Shame our wanton, selfish gladness, Rich in things and poor in soul.  
Grant us wisdom; grant us courage, Lest we miss thy Kingdom’s goal.

Save us from weak resignation To the evils we deplore;  
Let the search for thy salvation Be our glory evermore.  
Grant us wisdom; grant us courage, Serving thee whom we adore.

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

OLD HUNDREDTH

†THE PRAYER OF DEDICATION

**All: O Mighty One, you have done and are doing great things for us, and holy is your name. Bless all we offer you—ourselves, our time and our possessions—that through us your grace and favor may be made known to all the world, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Redeemer. Amen.**

†THE HYMN No. 485 To God Be the Glory

TO GOD BE THE GLORY

†THE CHARGE AND BLESSING

†THE CHORAL BENEDICTION 11:00am Sevenfold Amen

Peter C. Lutkin

† THE POSTLUDE Miniature I from Op. 55

Flor Peeters

**CHRISTIAN EDUCATION CLASSES, JANUARY 29**

CLASS	LOCATION	AGES	LEADER(S)	CURRICULUM
Nursery 9:00am – 12:15pm	Rooms 102 & 103	0-4 years	Lisa Kisor & Rotating Volunteers	Faith Weaver, Mark 1:21-28 <i>Jesus Demonstrates His Authority</i>
Children’s Choir 9:45-10:45am	Room 210	3 years – Grade 5	Jessica Dodson, Children’s Choir Director	Singing and musical fun
Sunday School 11:15am- 12:15pm	Room 102	3 & 4 years	Rotating Volunteers	Faith Weaver, Mark 1:21-28 <i>Jesus Demonstrates His Authority</i>
Sunday School 11:15am- 12:15pm	Room 207	PreK-grade 2	Jennifer Shaw & Rotating Volunteers	Faith Weaver, Mark 1:21-28 <i>Jesus Demonstrates His Authority</i>
Sunday School 11:15am- 12:15pm	Room 210	Grades 3-5	Jennifer Shaw & Rotating Volunteers	Faith Weaver Mark 1:21-28 <i>Jesus Demonstrates His Authority</i>
Sunday School 9:45-10:45am	Rooms 302 & 304	Grades 6-12	Christa Cook Luci Foltz Lynn Rebman	Faith Weaver Mark 1:21-28 <i>Jesus Demonstrates His Authority</i>
Sunday School 9:45-10:45am	Room 306	Adult Bible Study	Andrea Amstutz	The Present Word
Sunday School 9:45-10:45am	Room 303	Adult Bible Study	Dr. Michael Spath	Discussion
Java & Faith 9:45-10:45am	Parlor	Adult Bible Study	James Steensma	Faith Weaver Mark 1:21-28 <i>Jesus Demonstrates His Authority</i>

**ANNUAL MEETING/ CANDIDATE SUNDAY**

Sunday, February 5, in McKay Hall.  
Breakfast beginning at 8:15am, Annual Meeting at 8:45am  
Joint ELS/KLS Service of Worship at **10:00am**.

**Arianne Lehn will deliver her Candidating Sermon at the 10:00am service.**

**CONGREGATIONAL MEETING CALLED**

The Session of First Presbyterian Church of Fort Wayne hereby calls for a congregational meeting on Sunday, February 5, immediately after the joint ELS/KLS Worship Service at 10:00am to consider the following:

**1. To vote on a motion to extend a call as Associate Pastor to Arianne Braithwaite Lehn.**

**2. To approve terms of call.**

**3. If the above are affirmative, a motion will then be offered to dismiss the Associate Pastor Nominating Committee with gratitude.**

**ASSISTING IN WORSHIP THIS MORNING**

**Greeters:** 8:00am Josué Njock Libii & Louise Magoon, 11:00am Jean Linville, Steve Weissner  
**Ushers:** 8:00am Josué Njock Libii & Louise Magoon, 11:00am Wendell Cree, Chair; Dave Beer, Justin Etchison, Paul Sheets, Deb Ward

**Chancel Choir:** 11:00am (Soprano) Christa Cook, Mary Cree, Natalie Drummond, Jennifer Etchison, Maggie Gu, Arianne Lehn, Mary Jo Meyer, Michelle Miller, Marianne Platt, P. Joan Swinney, Mary Winters; (Alto) Nancy Archer, Jane Beer, Kathie Bishop, Virginia Coats, Pat Doerr, Kathy Miller, Mary Jane Ormerod, Fran Page, Pam Pfrang, Marj Sapp, Jill Therrien; (Tenor) George Johnson, Robin Memmer, Bryan Stavitzke; (Bass) Otto Behrens, Robert Doerr, Irwin Krueger, Gene Laughlin, Scott McMeen, Jim Mergenthal, Dan Michnay, Kip Ormerod

**Guest Organist:** Irene Ator

**Liturgist:** 8:00am Josué Njock Libii & Louise Magoon, 11:00am Marcie Weissner

**Crucifer:** 11:00am Ashby Drummond

**WELCOME TO FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**  
**JANUARY 29, 2012**

**Auditions for *Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf*** will be held Saturday, Feb. 18, 1:00pm in the Theater. John O'Connell from IPFW directs, and Thom Hofrichter will play the role of George. Audition will consist of reading from the script. Call Thom at 260-426-7421 x26 with any questions.

**Presby Day:** Thursday, February 16, 10:00am to 2:00pm, in McKay Hall. The program is *Fort Wayne Then and Now* presented by Peggy Heinze, ACPL Specialist, Outreach Services. To make your reservation call 426-7421 x55. All Presbyterians over 50 and their friends are invited.

**RMM: The February Rescue Mission Meal** will be prepared and served on February 19. Please sign up in the Church Office to contribute a spaghetti dish, garlic bread or your choice of cake. Your giving to this ministry is so appreciated by our neighbors at the Mission.

**Coming February 26:** The KLS Women's Association Annual Egg Roll Sale, 10:00am to 12:45pm in the Small Dining Room. Buy them cooked or frozen—they are delicious!

**Time to Fill those Ditty Bags:** The Deacons would appreciate any donations of travel or trial-size toiletries for ditty bags which will be distributed to area missions and shelters this spring. Special needs are toothpaste and deodorant, but some other needed items are combs, toothbrushes, shampoo, soap, lotion, nail files, and razors. Contributions may be dropped off at the church office. Thank you for helping with this ministry!

**We Need Warm Smiles on Cold Winter Mornings:** Please sign up in the Church Office or call 426-7421 to be a greeter at the 11:00am service on one or more Sundays in February or March. Sunday morning volunteers for the Church Office are also needed. Thank you.

**We Congratulate Marj Sapp and the Staff of the Day School Ministry** on their completion of the next step in the *Paths to QUALITY* program. First Presbyterian Day School is now a Level 2 Provider in the statewide *Paths to QUALITY* program. The staff demonstrated its proficiency in providing an environment and interactions that are welcoming, nurturing and safe for the children and their families. Congratulations!

**Lenten Series Begins Feb. 26: Questions Old and New: Theology on the Go with St. Paul**  
Please join us on the five Sundays during Lent. We will be meeting in McKay Hall directly after worship. There will be a light lunch of soup and salad followed by a study period from 1:00 to 2:00pm. Please sign up in the church office by Thursday of the preceding week so we can plan for lunch. Lunch will cost \$6.50 per person and \$13.00 per family. Child care will be available when requested in advance. First in the series, February 26, *Are there not Treasures in Jars of Clay? Sacred Vessels*, Speaker: Justin Johnson, Artist Series.

**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 near the Church Office.

First Presbyterian Church of Fort Wayne welcomes you to its worship and to its work. Founded in 1831, we are the oldest continuously worshiping congregation in the city. 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 home with us, please speak with a pastor or member this morning, or call Rev. Jeff Lehn or Rev. Youngsoo An at 426-7421.

**THIS MORNING**

**Please wear your name tag.** This is a real help to our new pastor as he gets to know us and a welcoming gesture to visitors.

**Coffee, juice and rolls** are served in the Small Dining Room beginning at 8:30am.

**Child Care for Infants & Toddlers** is available in Room 103 from 9:00am-12:15pm.

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

**Chancel Flowers** are given to the glory of God by the Foundation in memory of Jack R. Ruhl.

**11:15am Sunday School Classes** for age three through grade five will meet in Rooms 103, 207 and 210. Students, please meet your teachers at the back of the Sanctuary after the *Word with the Children*. Parents, please pick up your children from their classrooms immediately following the 11:00am service. Thank you.

**Prayer Chain Requests:** Please direct your prayer requests to the church office in February and March, in writing or by phone, 426-7421. These will then be forwarded to Joan Jackson.

**Printed Copies of Today's Sermon** will be available upon request later this week in the Church Office and at [www.firstpres-fw.org](http://www.firstpres-fw.org) under "Media & Resources." Copies of past sermons are also available. You may request that a copy of a recent sermon be mailed to you by calling 426-7421.

**Hospital Visitation and Clergy on Call Schedule:** Rev. Lehn is on call on Mondays and Thursdays, and on Saturdays and Sundays when Deacons will assist with hospital visitations. Rev. An is on call on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays.

**Immediately After Each Sunday Morning Worship Service** one of the Elders of the Month will remain at the front of the worship space to offer individual prayers with any members wanting someone to pray with them about their concerns or joys. The Elders of the Month for January are Taff Silliman, 672-8340 and Mary Jo Meyer, 755-9105.

**First Presbyterian Church is now on Facebook and Twitter.** Social media is one more way for us to stay connected and to share our message with neighbors and friends. Like us on Facebook at facebook.com/fpcfortwayne and follow us on Twitter@fpcfortwayne.

### TODAY

**This afternoon at 2:00pm** is your last chance to see First Presbyterian Theater's production of *Shakespeare's Will* starring Nancy Kartholl. This is an amazing performance by a truly gifted actress. You owe it to yourself to see it.

**The Children of the church are collecting for Erin's House for Grieving Children.** Donations can be made in the 'house' donation box in the Narthex. Items needed are: cash donations, postage stamps, gift cards from Walmart, Meijer, Target, Scott's, My Menu or Kroger, gift cards for gas. Information about Erin's House is available on the bulletin board in the Small Dining Room.

**Calling all youth in 8th grade or above** (and their parents). Please join Rev. Lehn for a **brief informational meeting** this afternoon at 12:15pm. We'll meet in the Session Room and talk for a few minutes about our proposed confirmation schedule. We're hoping to have 8-10 sessions in February, March and April, and will focus on exploring the Christian faith together.

### THIS WEEK

**Women 4 Women, Knitting 4 Peace** will meet from 1:00 to 2:30pm (please note the new meeting time for 2012) on Wednesday, February 1, in the Parlor. All knitters and crocheters of any level of expertise, including those wishing to learn, are very welcome. Please call Alice Chitwood, 744-3802, with any questions.

**Thursday, February 2 – Family Night: BINGO!** Dinner served from 5:30 to 6:15pm, BINGO from 6:15 to 7:00pm. Please RSVP by January 29. This is not just for children, ALL WELCOME! (although the prizes are for children). A Free Will Donation will be collected.

### NEXT SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 5

**Childcare will be available during the Annual Meeting**, beginning at 8:30am in the Nursery. Older children may also be brought to the Nursery during the Annual Meeting. Infants and toddlers may remain in the Nursery during the **Congregational Meeting**/vote after the 10:00am service, but parents of Sunday School age children should pick them up and bring them back to the Sanctuary with them so Sunday School teachers can also attend the meeting.

**Please see boxed announcement, page 4. Remember, Worship is at 10:00am next Sunday.**

**FEBRUARY 5 IS ALSO SOUPER BOWL SUNDAY:** Hunger doesn't end when the holidays are over but donations to food banks drop significantly in January and February. On Sunday, February 5, our youth will be participating in the national *Souper Bowl of Caring* by collecting food and cash to be delivered to East Wayne Street Center, Wellspring Social Services and Amistad Christiana Food Bank. Last year we collected 502 cans of food and \$54 in cash donations. If each person brings two cans of soup, or two dollars, on February 5, we could double that this year!

**SOUPER SUB SALE:** As another fund raiser for *Souper Bowl Sunday*, the youth will be selling submarine sandwiches "to go" after the 10:00am service on Sunday, February 5.

### UPCOMING AND ONGOING

**Session Meeting:** Monday, February 6, 6:00pm, in the Parlor. Visitors are welcome.

**Newsletter Deadline:** Wednesday, February 8, at 5:00pm. Please submit your items by e-mail to [lfoltz@firstpres-fw.org](mailto:lfoltz@firstpres-fw.org) or leave a written copy in the Church Office, attn: Luci. Thank you.

**Edible Valentines are The Best!** Children's Committee Annual Valentine Bake Sale, Sunday, February 12, 9:00am to 12:30pm, in the Small Dining Room. **We need bakers and buyers.** Please bring all baked donations that morning and plan to take home a delicious treat. Proceeds from this sale support Summer Church Day Camp and other Children's Committee missions. If you have questions please contact Catherine Mather-Grimes, 744-4242. Thank you.

**Write-A-Will Opportunities:** Wednesday, February 15, from 4:00-7:00pm. Short appointments will be scheduled in the Session Room that will allow you to meet with Stephen Adair, a church member and attorney with Beers, Mallers, Backs & Salin, LLP. Steve is volunteering his time to help you prepare a **simple will** that will be **free of charge** as long as you leave a bequest (a gift of any amount) to First Presbyterian or any other charitable organization. Please call the Financial Office at 426-7421 to schedule your 30-minute visit.

**The Indiana Center for Middle East Peace presents Susan Fox, author of *Little Women of Baghlan*** on Thursday, February 16 from 6:30 to 8:00pm at First Presbyterian Church. Susan Fox relates the story of Joanne Carter and her fellow Peace Corps Volunteers, Nan and Mary in Afghanistan from 1968-1970, including their move to Baghlan, the nursing school for Afghan girls. Also on the program is Terry Dougherty, who was a Peace Corps Volunteer in the 1970's. He promotes education, literacy, and health for Afghan youth, and serves on the board of the School of Leadership, Afghanistan. This program is free and open to the public.