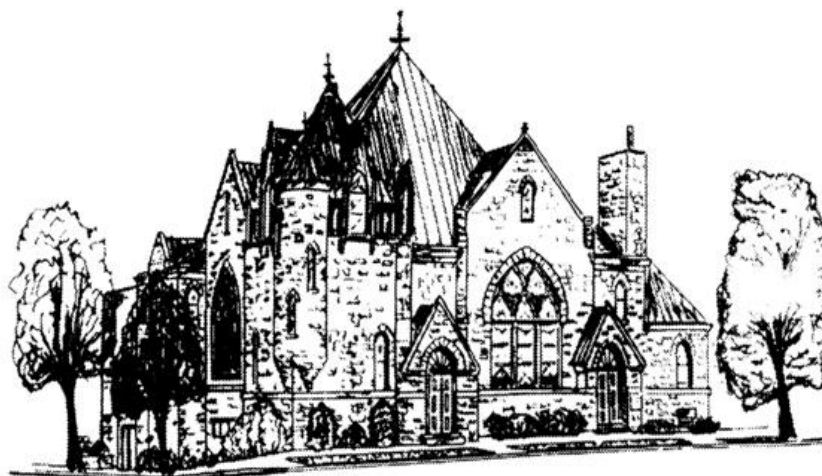


First Presbyterian Church

**Welcomes you for Worship
June 10, 2018**

**Rev. David Smith
Minister**



Our Vision

**By the grace of Jesus Christ,
We will strive to share the
Good News with the world,
To nurture our faith, and to
Go into the world sharing
Christ's love and mercy.**

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SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY
Third Sunday after Pentecost

June 10, 2018

10:15 am

Assemble in God's Name

BIBLICAL AND INFORMAL GREETING

*Following brief announcements, the congregation is invited to prepare in silence for worship.
Please use this time to pray, to meditate, or to read the Scriptures for today.*

PRELUDE

“We, Your People, Praise You”

arr. D. Edwards

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Matt Evans

I will praise the Lord as long as I live!

We will sing God's praise throughout our lives!

Happy are those whose help is in the Lord.

Happy are those who put their trust in God.

The Lord rules from generation to generation.

God reigns forever and ever!

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

God of days, we praise your name, for your grace sustains us. We wait for you, Lord, for your word strengthens us. Our outer nature is wasting away day by day, but our inner nature is being renewed by your daily bread. Grant us the eyes to see what cannot be seen and to gaze on what is eternal. May we revel in your work and be a visible witness of your invisible kingdom. We pray in the name of Jesus. Amen.

*HYMN NO. 485 (Blue Hymnal)

“To God Be the Glory”

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PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious God, have mercy on us, for we have failed to be faithful to you, though you have been faithful to us. You show us your wisdom, but we prefer to go our own way. Our broken relationships with you and one another have created poverty in us and our neighbors. In your mercy, reconcile us to you and one another for the work of justice, peace, and love, through Jesus Christ, our redeemer.

PERIOD OF SILENCE FOR PERSONAL CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Sisters and brothers, do not lose heart.

When we call, God hears us; when we confess, God forgives us.

We believe and so we proclaim: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

May the peace of Christ be with you!

And also with you!

*RESPONSE

“Gloria Patri”

No. 579 (Blue Hymnal)

Proclaim God's Word

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

THE CHILDREN'S SERMON Brad Thomas

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING 2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1 NT Pg. 181
The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God!

SPECIAL MUSIC “Movement II from 5 Pieces in Folk Style, Op. 102” R. Schumann
Jonah Litman

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING Psalm 138 OT Pg. 577
The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God!

THE WORD PROCLAIMED “Give Thanks!” Rev. David Smith

*HYMN NO. 181 (Blue Hymnal) “Come Sing to God” ELLACOMBE

Give Thanks To God

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBER

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH The Apostles' Creed
I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come again to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

RESPONSE “The Church's One Foundation” No. 442 (Blue Hymnal)
The church's one foundation is Jesus Christ her Lord;
She is His new creation by water and the word;
From heaven he came and sought her to be His holy bride;
With His own blood He bought her, and for her life He died.

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

Holy God, we praise you for calling us to be a servant people, and for gathering us into the body of Christ. We thank you for choosing to add to our number disciples in the faith. Together may we live in your Spirit and so love one another, that we may have the mind of Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom we give honor and glory forever. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Let us pray.

The congregation will be led in prayer, concluding with our Lord's Prayer (traditional, page 16 of the hymnal).

THE LORD'S PRAYER (*We use “debts” and “debtors.”*)

OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS *Visitors, we invite you to share your contact information on a Welcome Card.*

OFFERTORY “The Garden of Prayer” E. Broughton

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to God.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

Eternal God, your son Jesus teaches us that a house divided cannot stand. Together, we offer ourselves and our gifts, that they may be used to extend your grace to others for your glory, through Jesus our Lord. Amen.

Go In God's Name

*HYMN NO. 145 (Blue Hymnal)

“Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart!”

MARION

*DISMISSAL AND BLESSING

POSTLUDE

“Presto from Sonata in C minor”

G. Prescetti

**Indicates those who are able, please stand.*

WE EXTEND A WARM WELCOME to all visitors who are worshipping with us this morning. We would like the opportunity to tell you more about our church family. We invite you to share your information on one of the Welcome Cards in the pew racks and place it in the offering plate.

THE SANCTUARY FLOWERS TODAY are given to the glory of God by Jack Hardman in memory of his wife, Jean, who loved flowers.

THANKS TO OUR VOLUNTEERS:

WORSHIP LEADER: Matt Evans

CHILDREN’S SERMON: Brad Thomas

SOUND SYSTEM: John Lee

SIP N CHAT: The Evans Family

FLOWER DELIVERY: The Congregation

USHERS: Jerry & Jennylou Brock, Gail Reynolds, Bill Cusack

SPECIAL THANKS TO JONAH LITMAN FOR SHARING HIS MUSICAL TALENTS THIS MORNING!

MATT & SUSIE EVANS WELCOMES ALL MEMBERS AND FRIENDS OF FIRST PRESBYTERIAN TO JOIN THEM AT SIP N CHAT TODAY TO CELEBRATE SOPHIE’S CONFIRMATION.

WE INVITE YOU TO JOIN US DOWNSTAIRS IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL AFTER WORSHIP FOR SIP N CHAT. We also invite you to take part in the life of this congregation by participating in any activity that can help you on your spiritual journey. Regular Sunday activities are:

9:00 – Sunday School

10:15—Worship Service

11:30—Sip N Chat in Fellowship Hall

PIONEER PRESCHOOL IS ASKING FOR YOUR HELP to provide clean, empty soup cans (10.75 oz) for their summer camp, “Pete the Cat” camp. Please bring the clean, empty cans to Judy Peoples by today, Sunday, June 10th. We are looking for 25 cans. We greatly appreciate your help with this!

JOIN US FOR SOME CHURCH LEAGUE SOFTBALL, MONDAY, JUNE 11!! Come out to Buckeye Park and support the First Presby team! The first game is on Field 2 at 6pm and the second game is on Field 1 at 7pm.

THE COMMUNITY MEAL SIGN-UP SHEET is on the bulletin board at the foot of the stairs. The menu is an entrée salad with either chicken or steak, fruit, Crackers and cheese, and dessert. Join us on June 26th to help prepare, help serve, help clean up, or just come out and eat and enjoy some good food and fellowship.

PARENTS, WE HAVE BAGS WITH COLORING AND DRAWING SUPPLIES FOR CHILDREN TO USE DURING WORSHIP. These are in the narthex (the entryway to the sanctuary) on one of the pews. Ushers can help you locate these.

A CHURCH RUMMAGE WILL BE HELD JULY 14 FROM 9AM-3PM. We are accepting tools, household items, children's clothing, appliances. Please bring items to the Junior Church/Bell Room on Sunday morning or Monday through Thursday from 9am to noon. **NO ADULT CLOTHING OR SHOES, PLEASE.** There will also be a bake sale. Proceeds will benefit the Washington County Career Center (purchase of toolkits for various majors) and Caldwell Presbyterian Church (to help with installation of a new handicap access lift). Questions? Please speak to Suzan Warner.

SUMMER VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED TO TEND OUR CHURCH GREEN SPACE. We are looking for volunteers to keep our greenspace weeded and looking nice. Sign up on the bulletin board at the bottom of the main staircase.

CHECK OUT THE NEW CARDS AND ENVELOPES IN THE PEW RACKS!

- Welcome Cards for visitors to leave their contact information and for regular attenders to update theirs.
- Prayer Request Cards. Use these for updates to the prayer list as well.
- Deacons' Envelopes for donations to the ministry of our Deacons.
- Pew Envelopes for other donations.

Any of these can be deposited in the offering plate. The fellowship pads will no longer be used.

THIS SUMMER, WE HAVE WORSHIP RESOURCES FROM ILLUSTRATED CHILDREN'S MINISTRY TO HELP US CONNECT WITH THE SCRIPTURES.

- 1) Children's Bulletins with a page for each of the lectionary passages. Ushers will have these to share.
- 2) A coloring page for children or adults for the passage Pastor David is using for the sermons. Pick one up near the entrances, take it home to color, and bring it back next week. We will post those on our mobile bulletin boards so others can be blessed.
- 3) A Children's Sermon resource with a picture and outline of the message that makes this moment in the worship easier for volunteers.



Live Simply

We often say that life is too complicated. We can make choices to change that. The Bible has many commands that can lead us to simpler live. We shouldn't, however, confuse simple with easy. There are many things in life that tempt us away from obedience to God's directions. This summer, we will explore some of those simple commands and what tempts us to disobey them. As we learn to live more simply, we free ourselves to be more faithful to God, we have more time to care for others, and we experience more joy.

This week's focus 'Give Thanks'

Please, use these questions to help meditate on the topic of thanksgiving.

- 1) In Psalm 138 what are the reasons for giving thanks? What other reasons do you have for giving thanks?
- 2) Even in the midst of trouble the psalmist seeks God's protection and gives thanks. Consider a time when God delivered you from trouble.
- 3) Thanksgiving is not just a private act. Share with someone the reasons you have for thanking God. Ask that person what makes him or her thankful.



THE SIP N CHAT CALENDAR FOR 2018 HAS BEEN POSTED. PLEASE SIGN UP! We have plenty of open dates still left for this summer. Simple snacks are fine.

HAVE INPUT FOR OUR CHURCH LEADERS? *Open Line to Session* cards can be found on the table at the top of the main stairwell. Cards must be signed when providing input.

VALLEY GEM BREAKFAST AND WORSHIP ON THE RIVER WILL BE SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 30. Save the date!

THE 2018 FLOWER CALENDAR HAS BEEN POSTED. You can sign up to purchase flowers for a Sunday. The cost is \$15. Please email or call the office with the message you would like to appear in the bulletin for that Sunday. Dates that are available in the next few months are July 8 and August 5.

A PLACE FOR EVERYTHING AND EVERYTHING IN ITS PLACE. Did your heart jump for joy as you read that? Then we have a great way to help us minister here at First Pres. We are looking for volunteers to keep the new pew cards and envelopes stocked and arranged in orderly fashion. If you are interested, please speak to Pastor David or Pauline Lee.

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**ACTIVITIES FOR THE WEEK OF
June 10 – June 17**

Sunday

- 9:00 – Adult SunSch
- 10:15 – Worship
- 11:30 – Sip N Chat

Monday

Tuesday

- 5:00 – Book Club
- 6:00 – EVE

Wednesday

- 5:30 - Interfaith

Thursday

- 6:00 – Finance
- 7:00 – AA

Friday

Saturday

- 8:00 – Men’s Fellowship
- 9:00 – AA
- 10:00 – SDA Church School
& Worship

Next Sunday –

- Scripture: 2 Corinthians
5:14-17
- Sermon: “Seeing the Good”

Do you have a favorite hymn that comes with a story?

Often our favorite hymns are associated with a particular service or event that stands out in our faith journey. If you have a hymn and a story to share, Pastor David would like to hear from you. As hymns are selected for July and August, these hymns and the stories will be included. If you would prefer to remain anonymous, just the story will be shared. If you would like to share the story verbally with the congregation, that can be arranged also. Drop this tear off in the bulletin with the information or send Pastor David an email at pastor.fpcmarietta@yahoo.com

-----TEAR HERE-----

Name _____ Hymn _____

Your Story _____
