



First Presbyterian

February 12, 2012

Service for the Sabbath Worship

9:30 a.m.

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Congregational readings are in **bold** type.
+ indicates all who are able are invited to stand.

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

Welcome

The Greeting – Ringing of the Tower Bell

Prelude

“Symphony No. 5
IV. Adagio

Widor

+Call to Worship (Psalm 30)

Roger Brinkman

Sing praise to God, O you faithful one, and give thanks to God’s holy name.

Hear, O God, and be gracious to me! O God, be my helper!

You have turned my mourning into dancing; You have clothed me with joy,

So that my soul may praise You and not be silent.

O God, my God, I will praise you forever.

Let us worship God!

+Hymn 210 (vs 1-3)

“Our God, Our Help In Ages Past”

St. Anne

Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, hear our confession as we pray in Christ’s name.

We claim to be faithful, but we obey not Your commandments. We

boast of our hope, yet we dwell not in faith. We gather security about us

while others go hungry. We arm ourselves mightily as though we could

buy peace of mind. We hear Christ’s words of assurance, but we live not

in his promise. Forgive our ambivalence, as in Christ we repent. AMEN.

Silent Prayer

Assurance of Pardon

Our help is in God. “It is God who justifies. . . . It is Christ Jesus, who died, yes, who was raised, who is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us. Who will separate us from the love of Christ?” Know that as we confess our sin, God is just. Through Jesus Christ, who intercedes on our behalf, we have assurance that God forgives us.

Response

*Our God, our help in ages past, Our hope for years to come.
Be Thou our guard while life shall last, And our eternal home.*

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

First Scripture Reading

I Corinthians 9:24-27

Musical Offering

“Seek Ye First”

Lafferty

Seek ye first the kingdom of God and God’s righteousness,
And all these things shall be added unto you, Alleluia!
Ask and it shall be given unto you, Seek and ye shall find,
Knock and the door shall be opened unto you, Alleluia!

Time with Our Children

Second Scripture Reading

I Thessalonians 5:16-18

Third Scripture Reading

Matthew 6:5-6

Sermon

“The Good, The Bad, The Curious”

Rob Craig

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

+Hymn 354

“Guide My Feet”

Guide My Feet

Prayer of Dedication

Offertory "O Praise The Lord, Who Made All Beauty"

Hopson

(Refrain):

O praise the Lord who made all beauty,
Whose gift of the senses we enjoy.
O may we live each day in constant wonder,
To see all of life in simple pleasure.
O praise the Lord who made all beauty.
Sing "Laude, laudeamus te."

Praise God who makes each day an adventure.
Praise God for eager eyes to see the world.
Praise God for budding flower.
Praise God for stars and moonbeam.
Sing, "Laudeamus."

Praise God for sound of voice and music.
Praise God for touch that loved ones share.
Praise God for fragrant springtime.
Praise God for winter's bleakness.
Sing, "Laudeamus."

(Refrain):

*(Please sign the **Friendship Pad** in your pew and pass it on.)
(Many people contribute generously annually or monthly. We recommend
that those givers place a coin in the offering plate as a Sunday symbol of the
offering of their lives to God.)*

+Doxology 591 "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" Old Hundredth
***Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Christ, all people here below;
Praise Holy Spirit evermore;
Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.***

Prayers of the People, the Lord's Prayer ("debts" and "debtors") Hymnal, p. 16

GOING IN GOD'S NAME

+Hymn 390

“O Savior, In This Quiet Place”

St. Stephen

+Benediction

Spoken Response

“Alleluia, Amen”

Lutkin

Postlude

Concert Variations

Op. 1 Bonnet

Conversation Question of the Day:

“Can you think of a situation in which ritual change was confusing?”



ADULT NURTURE CLASSES STARTING FEBRUARY 19, 2012

Victory and Peace or Justice and Peace? This DVD-based study featuring John Dominic Crossan explores the juxtaposition of Roman Imperial Theology and the Kingdom of God. Contents includes: Justice & the World: What is the Character of Your God? History & Jesus: What is the Content of Your Faith? Worship & Violence: What is the Purpose of your Prayer? Resurrection & Community: What is the Function of Your Church? Join our leader, Luther Pierson, and others in the Crump Room for this thought-provoking study.

Presbyterianism 101 Join us for this multi-part series giving an overview of what it means to be Presbyterian. Topics might include: a brief history of the church, discussion of the church decision making structure, a look at worship and the sacraments, and some of the history and present day events that make First Presbyterian Church of Columbus what it is today.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WELCOME to worship on the sixth Sunday after the Epiphany, as we celebrate the light of Christ coming to all the world. Immediately following worship, our Deacons will host their Valentine Breakfast. This is a great opportunity to meet or visit with your Deacon and to get to know other members and visitors a little better. We hope you can join us for coffee cakes, fruit, yogurt, breakfast casseroles, and fellowship!

THANK YOU to the Children's Choir for their gift of music .

GREETING CARD & PRAYER CAMPAIGN Each week we like to send a special greeting to members of our congregation and to lift them up in prayer. Please stop by the gym today and sign the greeting cards for the following families: Mel Buchanan, Joan Burnett, Ben & Pat Bush, Martha Callaway.

FLOWERS are a wonderful way to honor or memorialize a friend or family member, show gratitude or celebrate a joyous occasion. Please consider contributing flowers for a Sunday worship service!

NEW VISITORS WELCOMED AT WORSHIP LAST SUNDAY are Robert Shaublin, Meredith Woodard, Deborah and Ben Fogt, Kaitlyn Niebrugge, Ashley Niebrugge, Heather Shafer.

PASTOR PEGGY is at the Academy For Spiritual Formation and will be back in the office on Monday. She appreciates using the last week of her 2011 vacation for this first week of school.

A VALENTINE SUGGESTION The Granny Connection will be selling Valentine packages of roasted pecans today. Proceeds go to Power of Love Foundation for African Grannies loving grandchildren, orphaned by AIDS.

CELEBRATION INVITATION The Daiker Family would like to thank everyone for the support they showed after their daughter Megan's accident. Please join them February 19th (the anniversary) , in celebrating miracles with refreshments following worship.

ATTN. ALL THE LOVEBIRDS IN OUR CONGREGATION: FPC Youth will be sponsoring a Sweetheart Dinner on Saturday, February 18. Italian cuisine including a vegetarian entree will be served & there will be live music. Tickets are available today in the gym for \$15 per person or \$25 for two. Festivities will begin at 6 pm. There will be tables available for 2 , 4, 6 or 8. We will also have tables reserved for singles who would love to come mingle and make some new friends. All the proceeds will go towards our 2012 summer mission trips. Please visit us in the gym on Sunday and make your reservation! As always, we appreciate the support of our church family as we travel out into the world to make it a better place. We know that we couldn't do it without your generous support and for that we are very grateful!

LOVE SONGS FOR LOVE CHAPEL Looking for a creative Valentine's Day gift for your sweetie? Give a Love Song for Love Chapel! On Valentine's Day QMIX 107.3 is throwing out the normal playlist starting at 7am and for a minimum \$10 donation to Love Chapel, QMIX will play your song requests and dedications until 6pm! The station number is 379-1077

3RD ANNUAL OUTSIDE FILM FESTIVAL will be held February 18 at the YES! Cinema. FPC's Social Action and Witness committee is a member of the Inclusive Community Coalition (ICC) which is sponsoring a movie and post-screening discussion at the Pride Alliance Columbus Outside Film Festival this month. *This is My Journey*, is the movie sponsored by the ICC. There will be five movies and three shorts shown at the film festival, with the first movie beginning at 1pm, and the last movie beginning at 9pm. An all-day pass to the film festival is \$25. A 3-movie pass is \$15. Individual movies will cost \$6. For more information about the film festival, please consult: <http://pridealliancecolumbus.org/outsidefilm.htm>.

ASH WEDNESDAY North Christian Church will join us on Wednesday, February 22, to celebrate Ash Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. in our sanctuary. Communion will be served and Rev. Lanny Lawler will provide a meditation. The Adult Choirs of the two churches will be combined in music leadership.

ARE YOU RECEIVING THE WEEKLY NEWS VIA EMAIL? The weekly e-mail is traditionally sent on Friday's and highlights upcoming worship opportunities and announcements with direct links to our website. If you are not receiving this email and would like to, please send an e-mail request to tishat@fpccolumbus.org or call her at 812-372-3783 ext. 221.

IN CASE OF A "SIMPLE SUNDAY" If the Sheriff announces a snow emergency, urging cars off the roads, we will cancel all activities. If a Sunday morning appears **unusually** dangerous, but there is not a snow emergency declared, we may announce a **"Simple Sunday."**

1. On a Simple Sunday, one or more of the Pastors will take responsibility for leadership that morning.
2. No other staff or leaders will be required or unnecessarily encouraged to attend.
3. Any members who wish to come to worship will be led by the staff in a simplified worship service.
4. The leaders will assign a few tasks from among those who attend.

Notification will be made by e-mail; website www.fpccolumbus.org; radio stations QMIX and White River, and through a phone chain if time permits.

ACTIVITIES FOR THE WEEK OF FEB 12-19, 2012

TODAY

9:30 am - 10:30 am - Worship Service Location: Sanctuary

10:30 am - 12:00 pm - Deacons Breakfast Location: Gymnasium

4:00 pm - 7:00 pm - FPC Youth Group Location: Sanctuary, Laws Room & Gym

Monday the 13th

9:00 am - 10:30 am - Preschool Board Meeting Location: Crump Room

12:00 pm - 1:30 pm - Peace & Fellowship Location: Crump Room

Tuesday the 14th

1:30 pm - 3:00 pm - Prayer Shawl Group Location: Reeves Room

7:00 pm - 9:00 pm - Band Rehearsal Location: Sanctuary

7:00 pm - 9:00 pm - Children's Nurture Committee Location: Library

7:15 pm - 8:30 pm - Bread for the World Location: Reeves Room

Wednesday the 15th

Newsletter Deadline

9:30 am - 10:30 am - Staff Meeting Location: FPC

10:30 am - 12:00 pm - Women's Bible Study Location: Four Seasons

6:30 pm - 8:30 pm - Session Location: Craig's Home

Thursday the 16th

7:00 pm - 9:00 pm - Adult Choir Rehearsal Location: Choir Room

Friday the 17th

6:45 am - 8:00 am - Men's Support Group Location: Crump Room

7:30 am - 9:00 am - Women's Support Group Location: Reeves Room

5:00 pm - 6:00 pm - Hot Meals - Junior High Location: Gymnasium

Saturday the 18th

6:00 pm - 8:00 pm - Valentine Dinner Location: Laws Room

8:00 pm - 11:30 pm - Youth Lock-In Location: Large Youth Room

Sunday the 19th

9:30 am - 10:30 am - Worship Service Location: Sanctuary

10:00 am - 11:00 am - Sunday School Location: FPC

10:30 am - 11:00 am - Daiker Family Celebration Location: Gymnasium

11:00 am - 12:00 pm - Adult Nurture Location: Laws Room

5:00 pm - 6:00 pm - Design Team Location: Lindeman Room

CHILDREN'S SCHEDULE FOR FEB 12, 2012

Babies:

9:30 a.m. - 10:45 a.m. – Nursery Room available with sound from sanctuary

Preschool – Kindergarten Sunday School – Education Wing

10:00 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.

2 – 3 year olds – Room 2

4 – 5 year olds – Room 4

1st – 6th grade will remain in adult worship today

The Gathering - worship for children – resumes Sunday, Feb 19

Cherub and Hosanna Choirs - resumes Sunday, Feb 19.

Extended Childcare

Parents should meet the childcare provider Judy Dulong in Room 4 prior to attending additional classes.

Junior and Senior High Classes

11:00 a.m. – 11:45 a.m. – Junior High meeting with Katie Niespodziani.

11:00 a.m. – 11:45 a.m. – Senior High meeting with Leah Jackman-Wheitner

Youth Group

2/12/12 – Regular Youth Group Night – Youth Sunday practice

2/18/12 – Sweetheart Youth Fundraiser and Lock In

2/19/12 – Youth Group Resumes 2/26/12

2/26/12 – Regular Youth Group Night – Youth Sunday practice

3/3/12 - Youth Sunday Practice from 4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

3/4/12 – Youth Sunday Service

WELCOME TO VISITORS

Welcome to First Presbyterian Church! Please ask ushers for information about childcare, Sunday School, large-print bulletins and hymnals, hearing-aid assists, or current newsletters.

Please sign the *Friendship Registration* pads!

We welcome children in worship. Infant and toddler care is offered from 9:00-Noon today in the Education Wing, Room E2.

Please join us for a time of fellowship in the Gym at 10:30 a.m., following worship. Please check the bulletin for upcoming opportunities!

We strive toward the use of inclusive language in our church as it pertains to people and to God.

Restrooms are located on the balcony of the Laws Room and off the Gym; a women's-only restroom is across from the kitchen.

THE MISSION OF FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH:

To be an active, growing, inclusive and caring church family that witnesses to God's love and shares the good news of Jesus Christ. Our mission leads us to invite all people to participate fully in our community and worship life as safe, loved, and accepted children of God, including:

- Conventional Christians and questioning skeptics
- Children and adults of all ages
- People of all sexual orientations and gender identities
- People of all races and cultures
- People of all socioeconomic situations
- People of all mental and physical abilities
- Those who bring hope to the world and those who seek hope

STAFF OFFICE HOURS

Pastor Rob Craig is normally in the church building on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Fridays and Sundays. Other days will be used for study, visitation, and he will be pleased to make additional appointments. He will be regularly checking his office telephone voicemail (ext. 223) and emails rob@fpccolumbus.org.

Associate Pastor Peggy Casteel's normal office hours are Monday through Thursday. She will be out of the office on Fridays. She will check her voicemail regularly (ext. 224) or email Peggy at peggy@fpccolumbus.org.

Colin Andrews, Director of Music, is normally in the office Wednesdays all day, Thursday from 2:30-8:30 p.m., Sunday 0800-5:00 p.m., occasionally on Fridays. He will check his voicemail (ext. 225) and email coandrew@indiana.edu. Cell phone number is 252-717-9248.

Tammy Pace, Financial Secretary, is normally in the office Monday through Friday 8:00 am—3:00 pm. Her phone extension is 222 and email is tammyp@fpccolumbus.org.

Tisha Terry, Church Secretary, is in the office Monday through Friday, 8:00 am-5:00 pm. Her phone extension is 221 and her email is tishat@fpccolumbus.org.

OFFICE HOURS

The office is open Monday thru Friday from 8AM—5PM
Lunch hour is from 12:30PM—1:30 PM



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