

# First Presbyterian Church

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TRADITIONAL WORSHIP: 8:30am / CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP: 11:00am

COFFEE FELLOWSHIP: 9:30am in Fellowship Hall / SUNDAY SCHOOL: 10:00

Sunday, August 30, 2015

8:30 & 11:00am

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As the prelude plays, silently come into the Lord's presence.  
Open your heart and give yourself up to Christ  
who is here to meet you today.  
"Be still and know that I am God." Psalm 46:10

PRELUDE *Lynn Long & Karen Blanchard*

GREETING & ANNOUNCEMENTS / RINGING OF THE BELL  
(Please sign the Fellowship Pad and pass it to your neighbor)

CALL TO WORSHIP *Psalm 5*

Leader: Let all who take refuge in You rejoice; let them ever  
sing for joy. Spread Your protection over them, so  
that those who love Your name may exult in You.

**People: For You bless the righteous, O Lord;  
You cover them with favor as with a shield.**

\*SONGS *You Are My Vision  
In Christ Alone*

\*PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION

**God of Abraham and Jacob, giver of all life and renewer of our souls, we praise You this morning for Your faithfulness. You promise us in Scripture that You will never leave us or forsake us, and we experience Your presence on a daily basis. You promise us that You will meet our needs, and we receive blessings that are unexplainable apart from Your presence. Thank You loving God, and forgive us for doubting. Forgive us for not trusting Your provision and Your presence. Help us to lead others to the realization that You always come through on Your promises. Through Jesus our Savior we pray, Amen.**

\*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

\*SHARING SIGNS OF PEACE: *[Please share Christ's peace with one another with handshakes, hugs, kisses—however you feel led.]*

\*HYMN *"Bringing in the Sheaves"*

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE *David Griffith*

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING *Luke 12:32-234 (NT p75)*

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING *Genesis 15:1-6 (OT p12)*

SERMON **GENESIS SERIES** *Rev. Robert Bronkema*  
*"Standing on the Promises of God"*

\*HYMN *"It is Well with My Soul"*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER

WE BRING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

OFFERTORY

Soloist: Alia Puffenberger  
*"Love is Not a Fight" - Barfield*

\*DOXOLOGY

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow, praise Him, all creatures here below.  
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

\*HYMN

*Mighty to Save*

\*BENEDICTION

\*POSTLUDE

SERMON NOTES:

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**NEXT WEEK**  
Mark 6:13-29  
Genesis 16:1-6  
*"The Best Laid Plans"*

### **This Week's Schedule**

#### **TODAY**

*CHURCH PICNIC: 12:15pm at the Tinney Pavilion  
JR HI YOUTH GROUP: 4:30-6:00pm  
SR HI YOUTH GROUP: 6:10-7:40pm*

#### **MONDAY**

*EVENING PRAYER: 6:30pm in the Sanctuary*

#### **TUESDAY**

*MORNING PRAYER: 7:30am in the Sanctuary  
CHRISTIAN EDUCATION COMMITTEE: 6:00pm in Rm. 7*

#### **WEDNESDAY**

*KNIFTY KNITTERS: 1:00pm in Rm. 6  
STITCHIN' SISTERS: 3:00pm in Rm. 3/4  
HANNAH'S HANDS: 6:00pm in Rm. 5  
WORSHIP COMMITTEE: 6:00pm in Rm. 1  
SPARK GROUPS: 6:30pm  
    Jr & Sr Hi Boys at the Petrokonis'  
    Jr & Sr Hi Girls at the Long's  
DEACONS: 7:00pm in Rm. 7*

## THURSDAY

*MEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST:* 6-7am in Fellowship Hall  
*NO FELLOWSHIP COM. MEETING THIS MONTH*

## SATURDAY

*COVERED DISH & BARNSTORMERS GAME:* 4:45pm in Fellowship Hall

## NEXT SUNDAY

*KID'S MINISTRY VOLUNTEERS:* 12:15 in Fellowship Hall  
*JR HI YOUTH GROUP:* 4:30-6:00pm  
*SR HI YOUTH GROUP:* 6:10-7:40pm

**WELCOME**, we are glad to see you here today! If you are visiting or new to the area, please fill out a Visitors' card located in the pew pockets in front of you. Please be sure to check our Church's website ([www.straspres.org](http://www.straspres.org)) often under the "Happenings" tab for the current schedule of events taking place in the life of our church.

**JOIN US** in Fellowship Hall each Sunday at 9:30 for coffee and fellowship with old and new friends. Host today: Elinor Rudy. Hosts next Sunday: Al & Sandy Bernstorf

**NURSERY CARE** is provided for children ages 5 and under. Helpers today: (8:30) Peter & Phyllis Witmer; (11:00) Terry & JoAnn Sweigart. Helpers next Sunday: (8:30) Pat Hess & Amelia Miller; (11:00) Terry & JoAnn Sweigart

**HANNAH'S HANDS: An evening of fun crafting Wednesdays 6:00-7:30pm in Rm. 5 for youth in grades 6-12.**

**TUESDAY WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY** will begin on Sept. 15 at 9:00am and 7:00pm. We will be reflecting on the person, the work, and the power of the Holy Spirit using Beth Moore's new study, "*Breath: The Life of God in Us*". All are welcome to join us for this time of Bible study and fellowship.

**NEW SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS:** If you don't have a Sunday School class and would be interested in a women's Bible study we would like to offer "*Breath: The Life of God in Us*" on Sunday mornings during the Sunday School hour beginning on September 20. This six-week study by Beth Moore reflects on the person, the work, and the power of the Holy Spirit. This is the same study that will be offered on Tuesdays. If you are interested in this class please contact Stacy Bronkema.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS AND HELPERS** are needed for the children's classes beginning this fall. We also need someone to play the piano for the children on Sunday mornings. If you are interested in helping out in any way, please contact Beth Feiler (786-3711).

**OUR GREAT BEGINNINGS PRESCHOOL** is in need of the following items: Paper towels, napkins, tissues, 5 ounce paper cups, white paper plates, Clorox wet wipes, washable markers, large crayons, crackers, Cheerios, pretzels, raisins, popcorn, Pepperidge Farm fish, cookies, carrots, apples, oranges, cheese and banana chips. A tub will be in the library area for your donations.

**FOOD BANK NEEDS:** dry pasta box/bag 12-16 oz.; soups 10-18 oz.; potatoes box 4-8 oz., canned 15 oz.; pasta sauce canned/jar 24 oz.; rice box/pouch 4-8 oz.; pork & beans 15-16 oz. can

ATTENDANCE LAST SUNDAY: 8:30-112; 11:00-75

***In our prayers today and your prayers this week please remember the following:***

**Betsy Clark** ---recovering in Rm. 422 at The Glen

**Angie McVey, Howard Rineer, Sue Francis, Donna Koch, Don Emig,**

**Fred Reed, Craig Kane & Greg Fagan** – recovering at home

**Shirley Reinhart Eshleman** ---recovering at home from surgery

**Kim Wertz & Pat Charles** – Being treated for cancer

**Colin McCauley** (Kate Powl's husband) – healing & support

Our sisters and brothers in our partner congregations of the

Presbyterian Church of Honduras, Presbytery of Mthatha

(South Africa) and Donegal Presbytery. This week pray for:

**Honduras:** Camino de Vida Congregation, Quebrada Grande  
**Mthatha:** D. V. Sikhutshwa Memorial Congregation  
**Donegal:** Honey Brook Presbyterian Church, Honey Brook

In need of the prayer chain? Call Sandy Bernstorf (687-7276);  
if no answer, call Mary Taylor (464-4745)

Deacon of the Month: Dot Rineer (464-0453)

**OUR NO NAME KID'S MINISTRY** will begin on Wednesday, October 6. Many volunteers will be needed including Kitchen crew, servers, shepherds, recreation leaders and helpers, Bible helpers, craft leaders and helpers, nursery volunteers, and prayer warriors. If you are interested in helping in any way please contact Beth Neumann at kbneumann@comast.net or 464-9247. A meeting for all volunteers will be held Sunday, Sept. 6 at 12:15. Pizza will be served.

**AN OLD-FASHIONED REVIVAL** will be held October 8 at 6pm on the grassy knoll behind the Strasburg Mennonite Church. The Keynote speaker will be Terry Roberts and the Evangelist will be Frank Ferrari. There will be an eclectic mix of music. All the churches of Strasburg are involved and participating.

**SENIORS AND FRIENDS TEA** will be held Monday, September 28 at 2:00pm in Fellowship Hall. Come for tea, sweets and bingo. RSVP to Alice Eisenhooth 687-7623.

**TAKE ME OUT TO THE BALLPARK:** Our annual covered dish and evening with the Barnstormers will be held Saturday, September 5 beginning at the church at 4:45 with a covered dish dinner. The game starts at 7:00pm and ends with fireworks. Tickets are \$9. See John Faltin (464-4674) if you would like to go.

**UPDATES FROM OUR MISSIONARIES,** the Garners and the Dobsons, are on the mission bulletin board in Fellowship Hall.