



First Presbyterian Church

101 South Decatur Street • Strasburg PA 17579

(717) 687-6030

www.straspres.org / straspres@straspres.org



Sunday, August 15, 2021
Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

PASTOR: Rev. Robert K. Bronkema
ORGANIST/CHOIRMASTER: Christopher Henkel
DIRECTOR OF CONTEMPORARY MUSIC: Jon Knauss
DIRECTOR OF CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES: Beth Feiler
DIRECTOR OF YOUTH: Danny Miller
WORSHIP LEADER/READER: 8:30 am Lynda Cornelia

WORSHIP: 8:30 am and 11:00 am

@ <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCzoMo4VUuahmT0CFUtwZzgg/videos>

Welcome

Sunday, August 15, 2021

8:30 AM Worship

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:

*"Prelude in C"
"Sing Hallelujah"*

J.S. Bach
Hayes

GREETING & ANNOUNCEMENTS / RINGING OF THE BELL

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 87

Leader: Glorious things are spoken of you, O city of God.

People: Singers and dancers alike say, "All my springs are in you."

*HYMN

"Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken"

No. 446

PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION

Holy and living God of all ages, we thank You and praise You for Your blessings and for all that You have done for us. We confess that our hearts can be hardened when we suffer setbacks and disappointments in life. Forgive us when the only thing we have to bring You is our ingratitude, our impatience, and our selfishness like Pharaohs who expect to get our own way. Humble us and hear us as we return and give praise to You.

Together, we pray in the name of our savior Jesus Christ.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*SHARING SIGNS OF PEACE *[Please share Christ's peace with one another.]*

*HYMN

"Spirit of the Living God"

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me; Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me. Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Beth Feiler

*SPECIAL MUSIC

"When Israel Was in Egypt's Land"

Costen

FIRST SCRIPTURE:

Luke 17:11-19

SECOND SCRIPTURE:

Exodus 7:14-25, 11:4-5

SERMON

SERMON SERIES: STORIES TO LIVE BY
"The Story of Moses & the Plagues"

Rev. Robert Bronkema

*HYMN

"More Love to Thee, O Christ"

No. 359

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER

*HYMN

"Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun"

No. 423

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

"The Glory of God in Nature"

Beethoven

Please Keep the Following in Your Prayers for Healing:

~ Jim Witmer, recovering at home

~ Alice Eisenhooth, healing at home

August Military Service Personnel

Please keep the following military service person in your prayers:

- Tyler Shoemaker

In Need of the Prayer Chain?

Call Sandy Bernstorff 717-687-7276 or Janice Bowers 717-687-5676



Welcome

Sunday, August 15, 2021

11:00 AM Service

Greeting and Announcements

*Praise & Worship

The River
Now I See
You Carried Me

Prayer & Peace

Children's Message

Beth Feiler

First Scripture: Luke 17:11-19

Second Scripture: Exodus 7:14-25, 11:4-5

Sermon: **SERMON SERIES: STORIES TO LIVE BY**
"The Story of Moses & the Plagues"

Rev. Robert Bronkema

*Closing Song: Great is Thy Faithfulness

*Benediction



NEXT WEEK

August 22, 2021

First Scripture: Luke 22:54-62
Second Scripture: II Samuel 11:1-5, 14-17

Sermon: *"The Story of David & Bathsheba"*
Rev. Robert K. Bronkema, Preaching



CHURCH PICNIC

August 22, 2021

at Tinney Pavilion



Lots of food, fellowship and games!
Annual Corn-hole Tournament & Egg Toss!

See announcement in this bulletin for details!



IN NEED OF ASSISTANCE. . .

TRUNK OR TREAT is not too far away. We need a person who would like to coordinate this fun and exciting community outreach program. If you would like to be that person please see Beth Feiler.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD - In August, we are collecting school supplies: Pencils, pens, erasers, crayons, markers, stickers, glue sticks, rulers, small kid scissors, colored pencils, sharpeners and notebooks

FOOD BANK NEEDS: Coffee (11 oz. cans), pancake mix, syrup, small jars of apple sauce, canned fruit, pasta sauce, 4-pack bathroom tissue and paper towels. Thank you for your many donations!

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED for Sunday School and Children's Church. Please contact Beth Feiler for more information at bfeiler@straspres.org. Thank you!

CHURCH CALENDAR OF EVENTS

COFFEE HOUR • August 15 • JOIN US in Fellowship Hall today & each Sunday at 9:30 am for coffee and fellowship with old and new friends. Hosts today: Ed & Linda Bredin. Hosts for next week: Bill Rouse & Karen Bachman. There are sign-up sheets in Fellowship Hall for anyone wishing to help with *Coffee Hour*. You may choose the date or dates that work best for you.

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN MEETING • August 16 • 7 PM • Room 3/4

CHURCH PICNIC • August 22 • TINNEY PAVILION

Join us after the second service for a time of food, fellowship and games. We'll serve you a classic picnic menu: grilled hot dogs, hamburgers, cheeseburgers, chips, potato salad, cookies and refreshingly cold drinks! Don't eat meat or wheat? We got you! There will also be some meatless burgers and gluten-free rolls available. Last-minute guests are warmly welcomed (bring friends! neighbors!).

"WELCOME BACK" FELLOWSHIP DINNER • August 28 • FELLOWSHIP HALL **CANCELLED**

This complimentary dinner, hosted by the Community Meal Team, has been cancelled for now. It will be presented at a later date. Please watch for updates!

BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS • August 29 • Hey kids! Bring your school backpack to church on August 29. We will bless them during worship time and celebrate a new school year with ice cream during coffee hour.

CARD SHOWER • Esther Shaubach will be 100 on **August 31**. We are surprising her with a card shower. Please send wishes to: 1801 Oak Tree Road, Rm 134 A, Edison, NJ 08820

KID'S CLUBHOUSE • September 1 • Kids Clubhouse starts Wednesday, Sept. 1st.

We are looking for volunteers that could help the first Wednesday of every month with our children's program that runs like a mini vbs. Any questions or if you would like to help, see Amanda Allison or Beth Feiler

SIX FLAGS GREAT ADVENTURE • September 4 • Ignited Youth Group is hosting a trip to Six Flags Great Adventure for FPC youth in grades 6 - 12! \$15 covers park entry, meal voucher, a T-shirt, and transportation! To register or for more details, contact Danny Miller, Youth Director: dmiller@straspres.org

BIBLE STUDY • September 14 • Hey Ladies! It's time for a Beth Moore Bible Study, beginning Sept. 14 at 9 am. For more information, please contact Lorraine Oliver at 717-392-2535.

CHURCH CALENDAR OF EVENTS (Continued)

DEACONS' ANNUAL FRIENDSHIP TEA • October 4 • 1 PM • FELLOWSHIP HALL

All First Presbyterian Church members (women & men) and their invited guests are invited to this event for an afternoon of light refreshments, conversation, a program by the Mueller twins on aprons and some Bingo fun. We are asking those attending to bring an item or two for our food bank. Deadline for reservations: Sept. 19th. Please R.S.V.P. to Pat Hess at 717-786-4184 or Lillian Myers 717-687-8293

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ORGAN CORNER

Throughout most of the nearly 190 years of First Presbyterian's ministry in Strasburg, music and singing have been supported by an organ. We know that the early instruments were reed organs, where the organist produced sound by treading on pedals to pump the bellows. Trustee minutes from 1923 indicate that the pump organ in use was electrified, thus eliminating the need to move the bellows by foot pressure.

In 1948 a committee was challenged at a congregational meeting to contract for a small Moeller pipe organ (at a cost of \$4825), which was installed and dedicated in 1950. This instrument required the pipes to be located in the ceiling area, which over time proved unsatisfactory. By 1982 the Trustees and Session authorized the purchase of a new electronic organ. Fred Buch of Buch Organ Company in Ephrata, designed and installed the new instrument at a cost of \$32,906. The dedication was in May and the dedicatory recital offered by David Craighead was on November 12, 1982 – all occurring within the 150th birthday of the church. An interesting side note is that David Craighead, a nationally recognized organist and teacher at Eastman School of Music, was born in Strasburg while his father was pastor at First Presbyterian.

We now find ourselves in the same situation of nearly 40 years ago where the current instrument is failing and should be replaced. The committee working to recommend a future replacement includes Peter Witmer, Chairman; Chris Henkel, organist; Ray Reeder, choir member; Donna Burkholder and Linda Lawrence, members; Jon Knauss, contemporary worship leader and Pastor Bronkema.



WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sunday, August 15

- 8:30 am **Worship** (Traditional) - In person or virtually online at:
<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCzoMo4VUuahmT0CFUtwZzgg>
<http://www.straspres.org/home-2>
<https://www.facebook.com/robert.bronkema>
- 9:30 am **Coffee Hour**
- 10 am **Sunday School Class** for all ages – In person only
Young Adults – Choir Rm Wired Word – Rm 5 Young at Heart – Rm 3/4
- 11 am **Worship** (Contemporary) - In-person and virtually online at:
<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCzoMo4VUuahmT0CFUtwZzgg>
<http://www.straspres.org/home-2>
<https://www.facebook.com/robert.bronkema>
- 5:30 pm Ignited Youth Group tonight No meeting on 8/22/21
-

Monday, August 16

- 7 pm Presbyterian Women – Room 3/4

Tuesday, August 17

- 2 pm Food Bank

Wednesday, August 18

- 1 pm Knifty Knitters- Room 3/4
7 pm Session Meeting – Room 3/4

Thursday, August 19

- 6:30 am Men's Prayer Breakfast – Fellowship Hall Bring your own coffee/breakfast items
6 pm Bible Study - <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCzoMo4VUuahmT0CFUtwZzgg>
6 pm Food Bank Committee Meeting – Room 3/4

Friday, August 20

- 2 pm Food Bank