

# First Presbyterian Church

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## Sunday, August 28, 2022

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PASTOR: Rev. Robert K. Bronkema

ORGANIST / CHOIRMASTER: Bruce Gerlach

DIRECTOR OF CONTEMPORARY MUSIC: Jon Knauss

DIRECTOR OF CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES: Beth Feiler

DIRECTOR OF YOUTH: Kristin Kondratowski

WORSHIP LEADER/READER: 8:30 David Griffith / 11:00 Terry Sweigart

### WORSHIP: 8:30 am and 11:00 am

Sunday, August 28, 2022

**Welcome!**

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*

*As the preludes begin, please meditate on the musical inspiration.*

PRELUDES

*"Psalm 19: The Heavens Declare"  
"Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"*

Benedetto Marcello  
Setting by Paul Manz

GREETING & ANNOUNCEMENTS / RINGING OF THE BELL

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Unless the Lord builds the house, those who build it labor in vain.

People: Unless the Lord guards the city, the guard keeps watch in vain.

Psalm 127

\*HYMN

*"This is My Father's World"*

No. 293

PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION

**God of all good and perfect gifts, we thank you for how you have provided for us throughout our life. We ask for forgiveness for our doubt that our needs would be met and so we do not bring the full tithe to you. Forgive us for being unaware that what we have is actually a gift from you. Remind us of your generosity and your promise that none of your children will you abandon. Thank you for meeting our needs on a daily basis. We pray this in Jesus' name, Amen.**

\*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

Kristin Kondratowski

SPECIAL MUSIC

*"Elegy"*

Edward Elgar

FIRST SCRIPTURE:

Psalm 66:1-4

SECOND SCRIPTURE:

Malachi 3:8-12

SERMON

**SERMON SERIES: "READING THROUGH THE BIBLE"  
"We Are Talking About Tithing Again"**

Rev. Robert Bronkema

\*HYMN

*"There's a Wideness in God's Mercy"*

No. 298

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

PROFESSION OF FAITH: APOSTLES CREED

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\*HYMN

*"Come, Ye Thankful People, Come"*

No. 551

\*BENEDICTION

*You are encouraged to be seated to hear the postlude on our new instrument.*

\*POSTLUDE

*"Trumpet Tune and March"*

Jeremiah Clarke

*Please keep the following in your prayers*

- Lynn Rohrer in LGH in ICU
- Louise Witmer - Under Hospice Care at The Glen at Willow Valley
- Jane Ott - Recovering at home
- Judy Moyer - LGH, recovering from surgery



*Comfort in Time of Loss*

Please keep Colleen Emig in the support of your prayers upon the death of her sister Dawn Marlin.

*In Need of the Prayer Chain?*

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

*Deacons for the Month of August*

Donna Stettler and Morgan Murphy

Greeting and Announcements

\*Praise & Worship

*Call Upon the Lord  
God So Loved  
Goodness of God*

Prayer & Peace

Children's Message Kristin Kondratowski

First Scripture: Psalm 66:1-4

Second Scripture: Malachi 3:8-12

Sermon: **SERMON SERIES: "READING THROUGH THE BIBLE"**  
"We Are Talking About Tithing Again"

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\*Closing Song *Build My Life*

\*Benediction

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**NEXT WEEK**  
**September 4, 2022**

Rev. Brett Foote, Preaching

For communion that Sunday, if you are interested in  
baking a loaf of bread, please let Pastor Bob know.



**CHURCH PICNIC TODAY**  
**August 28**  
**Tinney Pavilion**

Picnic begins after the morning services. Kindly bring a potluck dish to share as well as a lawn chair. There'll be great food (brought by all of you!), hotly contested corn hole tournament, egg toss, volley ball as well as other lawn games and fun activities. We will have our usual hot dogs, hamburgers, rolls & drinks as well. It is a great opportunity to invite family and friends to experience the life of First Presbyterian.

## WEEK AT A GLANCE

### Sunday, August 28, 2022

- 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  
Youth (Grades 6-12) - Student Ministry Rm Young Adults - Choir Rm  
Wired Word - Rm 6 Young at Heart - Rm 3/4
- 11 am **Worship** (Contemporary) - In-person and virtually online at:  
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<http://www.straspres.org/home-2>  
<https://www.facebook.com/robert.bronkema>
- 12 pm **Church Picnic**
- 3 pm **New Members Class** • Parlor
- 5:30 pm **Ignited MS/HS Youth Group Dinner** • 6 pm **Gathering** • Fellowship Hall
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### Tuesday, August 30

2 pm Food Bank

### Wednesday, August 31

- 1 pm Knifty Knitters - Rm 6  
3 pm Stitchin' Sisters - Rm 3/4

### Thursday, September 1

- 6:30 am Men's Prayer Breakfast - The Well Bring your own coffee/breakfast items  
6 pm Bible Study - <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCzoMo4VUuahmT0CFUtwZzgg>

### Friday, September 2

2 pm Food Bank

### Saturday, September 3

6 pm Summer Bluegrass / Gospel Festival • Strasburg Community Park

**WELCOME DESK:** We are looking for a few good men and women who might be willing to serve a morning or an afternoon at the welcome desk. While serving at the welcome desk you will be able to greet people as they come in the door, interact with our food bank clients, get to know the preschool children and families and answer the phone. Please let Kay Straley know of your interest at [kstraley55@gmail.com](mailto:kstraley55@gmail.com).

**Please contribute your tithes and offerings using one of the following methods:**

- Scan the QR code to the right and follow the prompts
- Click the DONATE button on the church web site
- Mail your check to FPCS, 101 St. Decatur Street, Strasburg, PA 17579





## ASSISTANCE CORNER

**PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN NEED SEWERS** - Presbyterian Women are preparing projects for the next season starting in September. People are needed who are willing to sew for us. Right now, our biggest need is to make walker bags. There are some on the counter

ready to be sewn. Directions are on the top of the pile, along with everything needed to complete each bag. There is no rush but these are hot items for many of the homes we serve (for ex. Mennonite Home, Quarryville, etc.). Beginning in September, we will meet the 4th Monday of the month from 9:00am until 11:00am to cut other items such as receiving blankets, gowns, dementia squares, and perhaps a quilt top to be laid out and knotted. In the next few weeks watch for items in the foyer to show the work we do. **WE CANNOT CONTINUE WITHOUT HELP!** Please see Kay Straley, Norma Weaver or Pat Hess for more information.

**FABRIC NEEDED FOR PW SEWING PROJECTS** -- Fabric scraps are needed for wheelchair bags like denim or corduroy. It has to be a piece that is 24X36". Questions related to this can be directed to Pat Hess.

**THE NURSERY** is in need of volunteers for the first and second Sunday services. If able to lend a helping hand, please contact Amy Stauffer at: [astauffer@straspres.org](mailto:astauffer@straspres.org) and 717-224-3036

**FOOD BANK NEW LISTING OF NEEDS:** Canned fruit, canned chicken, canned pasta, Spam, peanut butter & jelly, 4-pack puddings, tomato soup, vegetable soup, facial tissue & 4-pack bathroom tissue.

**OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD** - For the month of August we are collecting: Beanie babies, small stuffed animals or small rag dolls.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS NEEDED** – Teachers are needed for the children’s classes, kindergarten – 2<sup>nd</sup> grade and 3<sup>rd</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> grades. We’re looking for someone who can give their time **one Sunday a month** to lead a class. Lesson plans can be prepared for you. Please contact Beth Feiler at [bfeiler@straspres.org](mailto:bfeiler@straspres.org). Thank you!

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

We are glad to see you here! Check out our website: [www.straspres.org](http://www.straspres.org) under the “Happenings” tab for current church events and please be sure to like us on Facebook. Children’s Church is available for kids K-5<sup>th</sup> grades. Children will go to room 11 after the children’s sermon.

*We Are Also Pleased to Welcome. . . Donna Burkholder* who is our guest accompanist today.

**COFFEE HOUR** - Join us today in Fellowship Hall & each Sunday at 9:30 am for coffee and fellowship with old and new friends. Host for today: Peter & Phyllis Witmer. Hosts for next week: Don & Pam Johnson. Volunteers are needed. If you would like to help with Coffee Hour, please call Theresa Rineer at 717-682-9954 or email [rineertheresa@yahoo.com](mailto:rineertheresa@yahoo.com). There is also a sign-up sheet in Fellowship Hall. Please choose the date(s) that work best for you.

**NEW MEMBER CLASSES** - If you are interested in becoming a member of First Presbyterian, or just want to know more about who we are and what we do, come and join us today at 3pm in the parlor and you’ll find out more about the church as we learn more about you. You can let Pastor Bob know if you are coming, or you can just show up!

**LAMPETER FAIR** – Want to get involved with helping at the Lampeter Fair? Please sign up for a time where you can meet and greet the people as they visit our booth. Signup sheets are at the Welcome Desk or contact Alice Eisenhooth at [ameisenhooth@comcast.net](mailto:ameisenhooth@comcast.net)

*Save the Date*

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**September 10 (Saturday)** • Martha Circle will meet at 9:30 am in room 3/4

**September 11 (Sunday)** • Blessing of the Backpacks at both services

**September 17 (Saturday)** • Ignited Youth Six Flags Great Adventure Trip

**September 25 (Sunday)** • Community Hymn Sing at the Lampeter Fair • 6:45 pm

**September 28 - 30 (Wednesday - Friday)** • Lampeter Fair



**STRASBURG BLUEGRASS FESTIVAL**  
Featuring the  
**Summit Hill &  
Ironwood Drive Bands**

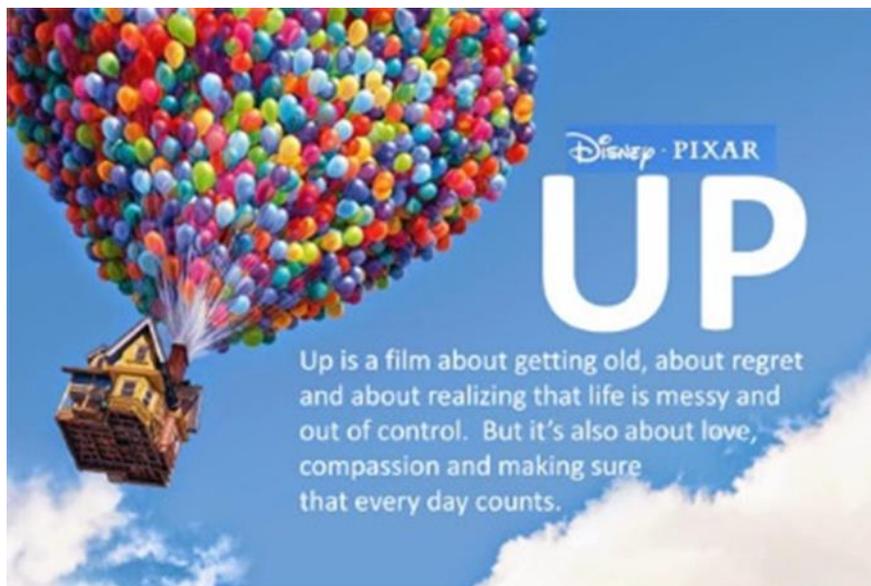
**SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 3 AT 6:00PM**

Strasburg Community Park  
151 Precision Ave, Strasburg

**Bring your lawn chair and a friend!**

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**UP**

Up is a film about getting old, about regret and about realizing that life is messy and out of control. But it's also about love, compassion and making sure that every day counts.

Join us here at FPCS September 23<sup>rd</sup> at 6pm for ice cream and movie night.  
Wear your pajamas, bring a lawn chair, pillows and blankets to get comfy.