

First Presbyterian Church

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Sunday, October 30, 2022 Reformation Sunday

PASTOR: Rev. Robert K. Bronkema

ORGANIST / CHOIRMASTER: Dr. 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 Lynda Cornelia / 11:00 Michael Wilson

WORSHIP: 8:30 am and 11:00 am

Sunday, October 30, 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*

PRELUDE

"Prelude in F"

J.S. Bach

GREETING & ANNOUNCEMENTS / RINGING OF THE BELL

MINUTE FOR MISSION

Water Street Rescue Mission

Terry Sweigart

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 132

Leader: Rise up, O Lord, and go to your resting-place, you and the ark of your might.

People: **Let your priests be clothed with righteousness, and let your faithful shout for joy.**

*HYMN

"A Mighty Fortress is Our God"

No. 260

PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION

Faithful and true God, we give you thanks that even in the midst of our mistakes and our sin you do not abandon us to our own devices. We have strayed from you time after time, and yet you embrace us and draw us near an equal number of times. We do not deserve your mercy, and yet you call us your children. Forgive our wandering and thank you for your steadfast love. We pray this in Jesus' name.

*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

ANTHEM

"A Jubilant Song" - A. Pote

Chancel Choir

FIRST SCRIPTURE:

Isaiah 55:11-13

SECOND SCRIPTURE:

Romans 8:35-39

SERMON

"Nothing Can Separate Us From God"

Rev. Robert Bronkema

*HYMN

"All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name"

No. 142

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

PROFESSION OF FAITH: APOSTLES CREED

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*HYMN

"Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

No. 276

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

"Come, Christians, Join to Sing"

arr. D. Hustad


Please keep the following in your prayers

- Kay Straley – In Lancaster General Hospital
- David Witmer – Lakeview at Willow Valley
- Lynn Rohrer – Hershey Medical Center
- Jane Ott – Recovering at home
- Don Emig – Recovering at home
- Louise Witmer - Under Hospice Care at The Glen at Willow Valley

In Need of the Prayer Chain?
Call Sandy Bernstorf 717-687-7276 or Janice Bowers 717-687-5676

Deacons for the Month of November
Donna Stettler & Morgan Murphy

Prayer Requests



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



Greeting and Announcements

Minute for Mission Water Street Rescue Mission Terry Sweigart

*Praise & Worship
*God So Loved
King of My Heart
Goodness of God*

Prayer & Peace

Children’s Message Kristin Kondratowski

First Scripture Isaiah 55:11-13

Second Scripture Romans 8:35-39

Sermon: "Nothing Can Separate Us From God" Rev. Robert Bronkema

*Closing Song *How He Loves*

*Benediction



<p align="center">NEXT WEEK November 6, 2022 First Scripture: Revelation 21:1-4, 21-25 Second Scripture: John 14:1-4 Sermon: Heaven Identified Rev. Robert K. Bronkema</p>

ASSISTANCE CORNER

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 and 717-224-3036

FOOD BANK NEW LISTING OF NEEDS:

- Canned vegetables: carrots, peas, corn, green beans, mixed vegetables
- 4-pack puddings
- Canned peaches, mandarin oranges, pineapple chunks
- Cereal
- Canned whole white potatoes
- Stuffing and chicken/turkey gravy
- Creamed soups
- Pasta sauce

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD – Last call for October Needed Donations: Beanie baby animals, small stuffed animals & dolls, small plastic reusable cups, bowls, spoons, forks and water bottles.

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS NEEDED – Teachers are needed for the children’s classes, kindergarten – 2nd grade and 3rd – 5th grades who can give their time **one Sunday a month** to lead a class. Lesson plans can be prepared for you. Contact Beth Feiler: bfeiler@straspres.org Thank you!

WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sunday, October 30

- 8:30 am **Worship** (Traditional)
 - 9:30 am **Coffee Hour**
 - 10 am **Sunday School Class** for all ages – In person only
Children's Sunday School (Grades K – 5) – Rm 12
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)
 - 5-7pm **Trunk or Treat**
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Recurring Daily – Nursery Time • Monday – Friday • 9 am – 1 pm

Monday, October 31 **Happy Halloween!**

- 9 am Mission Opportunities for Sewing – Rm 3/4

Tuesday, November 1

- 9 am Ladies Bible Study – Rm 3/4
- 2 pm Food Bank
- 6 pm Christian Education Committee – Fellowship Hall
- 7 pm Ladies Bible Study – Rm 3/4
- 7 pm Worship Committee – The Well

Wednesday, November 2

- 1 pm Knifty Knitters – Rm 6
- 3 pm Stitchin' Sisters – Rm 3/4
- 6 pm Kids Clubhouse
- 7 pm Deacons – Rm 3/4

Thursday, November 3

- 6:30 am Men's Prayer Breakfast – The Well Bring your own coffee/breakfast items
- 9:30 am Creative Landmarks: Visual Art Journaling Through Scripture – Rm 5
- 6 pm Bible Study – <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCzoMo4VUuahmT0CFUtwZzgg>
- 7 pm Choir Practice

Friday, November 4

- 9 am Toddler Gym – FH
- 2 pm Food Bank
- 6 pm "Our Table" Dinner and Prayer Gathering – Fellowship Hall

Sermon Notes

ANNOUNCEMENTS



We are glad to see you here! Check out our website: 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-5th grades. Children will go to room 11 after the children's sermon.

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: The Colvin Family. Host for next week: Terry & Joann Sweigart. 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. There is a sign-up sheet in Fellowship Hall. Please choose the date(s) that work best for you.



FLOWERS - The flowers in the sanctuary are provided today in honor of Pastor Bob for his spiritual guidance and leadership of the church. We are grateful for his ministry. - *The Deacons*

INGATHERING SUNDAY - Ingathering is an outreach project of Strasburg Presbyterian Women. On display in front of the sanctuary, on the window sills and in the foyer are items lovingly made by many members of our congregation and friends in the Strasburg community since October of last year. PW will sort, pack and mail or deliver these items to various organizations.

TRUNK OR TREAT will be held today, **October 30th 5pm-7pm**. If you wish to participate with your car, please have your car in the church parking lot by 4:30 and decorated by 5pm. Decorated trunks should not be too scary. A sign-up sheet is at the welcome desk. This year we will have games and activities inside fellowship hall. If you wish to donate snack items or help with activities please see the sign-up sheets at the welcome desk.

IGNITED YOUTH NEWS - This Sunday, 10/30, IGNITED students and leaders are helping with Trunk or Treat from 5-7pm instead of youth group. Next Sunday, 11/6, from 5:30-7:30pm, youth group is at Joel Rodriguez' home 66 Smithville Rd, New Providence, PA 17560

FAMILY FOOTBALL LEAGUE - Ignited Youth Group is hosting a Family Football League after church services on **Sunday, November 13**. Playing starts at 1 PM. For more details on this event or other upcoming youth activities, contact Kristin at kristin@straspres.org or 908-581-5050.

190th CHURCH BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION • Sunday, November 20th • We will be celebrating with a brunch in Fellowship Hall after our first worship service (no Sunday School that day). We will share a delicious brunch prepared and served by our Outreach Committee and celebrate the faithfulness of Almighty God in our midst throughout all the years. A gluten-free / vegetarian option will be available. Nursery care will be provided after the meal. Contact Carolyn Groff if you can help. Kindly complete the form below and drop in the offering plate or return to the office **by November 14, 2022** to let us know you are coming.

First Presbyterian Church 190th Birthday Brunch

Name: _____

How Many? _____

ORGAN RECITAL • Sunday, November 20th • Join us for the Organ Dedication Recital at 3 PM in the sanctuary. Lancaster native and nationally recognized organist, Peter Stoltzfus Berton, will be the dedication organist. There will be a reception following the recital.

THANKSGIVING SERVICE • Sunday, November 20th • The Ministerium Thanksgiving Service will be held at Wesley Methodist Church at 6:30 PM.

ANNOUNCEMENTS (Cont'd)

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY • Weekly on Tuesdays • This exciting new Bible study by Tara Leigh Cobble entitled, "*He's Where the Joy Is*" is a 7-week study based on the Trinity, offered mornings at 9 am and evenings at 7 pm in room 3/4. All are welcome! For any questions, please contact Lorraine Oliver, Stacy Bronkema, or Sandy Wenger.

CHOIR REHEARSAL meets every Thursday evening at 7 pm and finished promptly at 8:10 pm. We welcome all former AND new choir members. High School students proficient in singing are also encouraged to attend.

MINISTERIUM COMMUNITY IMPACT FUND: The Community Impact Committee is accepting applications for financial relief for help in either rent, utilities or emergency needs. If you are interested in applying for this assistance please contact Alicia Eltman at aeltman@straspres.org.

LIBRARY NEWS – To all of you Wanda Brunstetter fans, we have some new books in our library you will enjoy reading. We also have some new inspirational books by Dr. David Jeremiah, Tony Evans and others. They are on a shelf behind the welcome desk.

TODDLER GYM • Fridays • 9am – 10am (Sept. – May) • Weekly playtime for ages 1 – kindergarten with their caregivers. This program is free and open to the public. For more information, contact Amy Stauffer at 717-224-3036 or astauffer@straspres.org



**WATER STREET
MISSION**
Restored to be restorers

Volunteering at the Water Street Rescue Mission

First Presbyterian Church of Strasburg has over the years supplied volunteers to the Water Street Rescue Mission and we are searching for anyone within our congregation that might be interested in continuing this tradition.

There are many opportunities to support this mission and a few include:

- Serving Meals (Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner)
- Outreach Ministries – Food Distribution
- Warehouse
- Holiday Special Events
- Winter Weekend Day Shelter
- Wonder Club – Pre-K and K helpers

If you are interested in serving at the Rescue Mission, please contact Terry Sweigart at 717-606-6907 or by email at tlsweig@gmail.com. Our goal is to form a team of volunteers and post notices of specific volunteer opportunities where the team can choose an event that works with their schedule. These specific volunteer events will be communicated to our Water Street Rescue Mission Team on a monthly basis.

One requirement for serving is to attend a volunteer orientation at the Rescue Mission located on South Prince Street in Lancaster. The following are the orientation dates that are currently available:

- Wednesday, November 9 at 3:00 pm to 4:00 pm
- Tuesday November 22 at 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm

If you are interested in being a part of, or learning more about the Water Street Rescue Mission Team and wish to attend one of the orientation sessions, simply notify Terry by November 4 and he will coordinate your involvement in this important mission.