

# *First Presbyterian Church*

*101 South Decatur Street • Strasburg PA 17579*

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**Sunday, June 18, 2023**

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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 Kondratowksi

WORSHIP LEADER/READER: 8:30 am Dale Groff / 11 am Jeffrey Marsh

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

Sunday, June 18, 2023

*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: *"Assurance"* arr. John Ness Beck

GREETING & ANNOUNCEMENTS / RINGING OF THE BELL

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.

\*HYMN *"God of the Ages"* No. 262

PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION

**Loving God, you are faithful. We give you praise and thanks because you remain loyal to us throughout our lives. We confess that our loyalty is merely a shadow of what it should be. Forgive us for putting conditions on our faithfulness, and for doubting that you will always rescue us. Inspire us to believe more. 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 Ali Elias

FIRST SCRIPTURE Exodus 1:15-22

SECOND SCRIPTURE Matthew 8:5-13

SERMON SERIES: THE GOSPEL OF RIGHTEOUSNESS

SERMON

"A Matter of Faith II"

Rev. Robert Bronkema

\*HYMN

*"My Faith Looks Up to Thee"*

No. 383

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

WE BRING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

OFFERTORY

*"God Will Take Care of You"*

arr. R. Hughes

\*DOXOLOGY

PROFESSION OF FAITH: APOSTLES CREED

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\*HYMN

*"O Jesus, I Have Promised"*

No. 388

\*BENEDICTION

\*POSTLUDE

*"Rondeau"*

J. Mouret

*\*You are invited to stand if you are able during those places in the worship service marked with an asterisk.*

*Sermon Notes*

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Greeting and Announcements

\*Praise & Worship

*At Your Name  
God With Us  
Defender*

Prayer & Peace

Children's Message

Ali Elias

First Scripture

Exodus 1:15-22

Second Scripture

Matthew 8:5-13

Sermon

"A Matter of Faith II"

Rev. Robert Bronkema

Offering

\*Closing Songs:

*Good, Good Father*

\*Benediction

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*Next Week • Sunday, June 25, 2023*

*We welcome our missionaries serving in Asia.*

**There will be no streaming of worship services on Sunday, June 25. That Sunday we will be having missionaries speaking who are serving in very sensitive areas of the world for the Christian faith.**

## WEEK AT A GLANCE

### **Sunday, June 18**

- 8:30 am **Worship** (Traditional)  
9:30 am **Coffee Hour**  
10 am **Sunday School Class** for all ages  
Children's Sunday School (Grades K - 5) - Rm 12  
Youth Sunday School (Grades 6-12) - Young Adults - Choir Rm  
Wired Word - Rm 6 • Young at Heart - Rm 3/4  
11 am **Worship** (Contemporary)  
5:30 PM **Ignited Student Ministry Dinner** • 6 PM gathering outside
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**Nursery Time Summer Hours:** Tuesdays & Thursdays • 9 am - 12 pm

### **Monday, June 19**

The church office will be closed this day in observance of Juneteenth.

### **Tuesday, June 20**

- 2 pm Food Bank  
7 pm Smolder Young Adult Group

### **Wednesday, June 21**

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

### **Thursday, June 22**

- 6:30 am Men's Prayer Breakfast - Now meeting in the church library. Bring your own coffee/breakfast items  
6 pm Bible Study <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCzoMo4VUuahmT0CFUtwZzgg/streams>

### **Friday, June 23**

- 2 pm Food Bank  
6 pm Our Table - FH

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

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**WELCOME!** 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.



**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 Deacons. Hosts for next week: The Fulmer Family. 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 a sign-up sheet in Fellowship Hall. Please choose the date(s) that work best for you.

**"OUR TABLE" NEW WORSHIPPING COMMUNITY • Every Friday Night Beginning at 6 PM**  
Got friends? Bring 'em along! Everyone is welcome at Our Table! The meal is followed by an interactive Bible study, worship songs, and prayer. Eat and run or stay for the fun; we're just happy you showed up. *There's always room at Our Table!*

**ISRAEL TRIP:** We have had a first meeting and we currently have 48 people who are expressing interest. If you have any interest in receiving information about the trip please let Pastor Bob know so that he can include you on the emails to the group.

### *Mark Your Calendar for Upcoming Dates*

Sunday, June 25	Graduate Sunday
July 16 -21	Vacation Bible School
Tuesday, Aug. 1	National Strasburg Night Out
Sunday, Aug. 27	Annual Church Picnic
Saturday, Sept. 2	Bluegrass Festival at Strasburg Community Park

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**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



*Please keep the following in your prayers*

- Norma Weaver - Recovering at home
- Howard Rineer
- Jane Ott
- Louise Witmer - Under Hospice Care at The Glen at Willow Valley



*June Deacons of the Month:* Bette Davis & Donna Stettler

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

## ASSISTANCE CORNER

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**IT'S MISSION TRIP SEASON** - We're taking two separate trips this Summer and to keep costs down, we're asking for food donations. Ask Kristin for the online sign-up, or look for a paper sign-up outside the youth room.  
[kristin@straspres.org](mailto:kristin@straspres.org)



**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL** is scheduled for **July 16- 21** this year. **Volunteers and lots of help are needed!** There is a sign up list outside room 5. There is also a snack donation list. Registration can be found under "Learn" on our website. For questions, please contact Beth Feiler at [bfeiler@straspres.org](mailto:bfeiler@straspres.org).

**OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD** • Shoebox Items Needed: Beanie Babies, Small Stuffed Animals and Small dolls...Donations may be left in the box outside room 5.

**GREETERS WANTED!** Help us welcome everyone with a smile. Please sign up with Alice Eisenhooth, 717-725-2675.

**UPDATED FOOD BANK PRIORITIES:** Please consider supporting our pantry with any of the following:

**Canned items:** Peaches, Pineapple, White Potatoes, Carrots.

**Breakfast items:** Peanut Butter, Grape Jelly, Boxed Cereal

**Pasta/Grains:** Dry/Boxed Pasta



*As always, thank you for your support and generosity to this ministry and to our neighbors.*

**HELP WANTED** – The preschool is growing and we need your help! We are looking to compile a list of church members willing to help out as a preschool aide in an emergency situation. If you are able to be added to our list, please contact Heather at [hreynolds@straspres.org](mailto:hreynolds@straspres.org) or 717-617-9501. Thank you!

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Consider loaning these items...

- (4) drills with bits**
- (2) impact driver with bits**
- (2) post hole diggers**
- (2) pruners**
- (4) shovels**
- (2) circular saws**
- (2) chop boxes**
- (4) carpenter squares**
- (2) handsaws**
- (4) hammers**
- (2) well-equipped toolboxes**  
**(hammer, screw drivers, utility knife, etc)**
- (2) pair sawhorses**
- (2) levels**
- (6) pencils**
- (4) tape measures**
- (2) packs heavy duty trash bags**
- (2) 10x10 tents for shade**

*contact Kristin @ 908.581.5050 or  
kristin@straspres.org*



- Consider donating...**
- \$25 Lowe's Gift Cards**
  - (4) Sliced Loaves of Bread**
  - (2) Packages of Cheese Slices**
  - (2 lbs) Sliced Deli Turkey**
  - (2 lbs) Sliced Ham**
  - (1) jar of Mayonnaise**
  - (2) 6 packs of Romaine Lettuce**
  - (2) Large Packs Grape Tomatoes**
  - (3) Large Packs Baby Carrots**
  - (3) 5 lb. Bags apples**
  - (2) Bags Oranges**
  - (3) 24 pack Jumbo Hot Dogs**
  - (3) 16 pack Hot Dog Buns**
  - (4) 24 pack Juice Boxes**
  - (1) 24 pack Water Bottles**
  - (6) packs Frozen Meatballs**
  - (6) packs Chicken Nuggets**
  - (2) 48 Pack Chip Bags**
  - (2) Large Coolers (borrow)**
  - (2) Air mattresses (borrow)**
  - (1) Portable Tent Shower (borrow)**
  - (1) Solar Shower Bag (borrow)**
  - (3) Hot Dog Rollers (borrow)**