

First Presbyterian Church

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Sunday, July 9, 2023

PASTOR: Rev. Robert K. Bronkema

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DIRECTOR OF CONTEMPORARY MUSIC: Jon Knauss

DIRECTOR OF CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES: Beth Feiler

DIRECTOR OF YOUTH: Kristin Kondratowksi

WORSHIP LEADER/READER: 8:30 am Lillian Myers

WORSHIP: 8:30 am and 11:00 am

Sunday, July 9, 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: *"Prelude on SLANE (Be Thou My Vision)"* G. Young

GREETING & ANNOUNCEMENTS / RINGING OF THE BELL

CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 8

Leader: O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!
You have set your glory above the earth.

**People: When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers,
the moon and the stars that you have established.**

ALL: O LORD, OUR LORD, HOW MAJESTIC IS YOUR NAME IN ALL THE EARTH.

*HYMN *"Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty"* No. 482

PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION

Eternal judge and ruler of all people, we praise you and adore you this morning. Through the blood of Jesus you have ruled in favor of us, even though we are guilty of our sin. We confess that we still look to our own needs more than those of our neighbor. We confess that we are quick to judge and slow to grace. We come before you today knowing that you love us, even as we try to love you. 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 Tina Dansereau

COMMISSIONING OF OUR SENIOR HIGH YOUTH TO RAYSAL, WV

FIRST SCRIPTURE Judges 2:16-18

SECOND SCRIPTURE Matthew 7:1-5

SERMON "The Problem with Judging" Rev. Robert Bronkema

*HYMN *"Amazing Grace"* No. 280

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

WE BRING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

OFFERTORY *"The Savior is Waiting"* arr. H. Colvin

*DOXOLOGY

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*HYMN *"Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"* No. 376

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE *"Prelude in F"* J.S. Bach

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

Sermon Notes

Sunday, July 9, 2023

Welcome!

11:00 AM Service

Greeting and Announcements

*Praise & Worship

*Glory to God Forever
Death Was Arrested
Grace Like Rain*

Prayer & Peace

Children's Message Tina Dansereau

Commissioning of our Senior High Youth to Raysal, WV

First Scripture Judges 2:16-18

Second Scripture Matthew 7:1-5

Sermon "The Problem with Judging" Rev. Robert Bronkema

Offering

*Closing Songs: *Take My Life*

*Benediction

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WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sunday, July 9

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) - Fellowship Hall Young Adults - Choir Rm

Wired Word - Rm 6 • Young at Heart - Rm 3/4

11 am **Worship** (Contemporary)

Ignited Students No gathering this Sunday

Nursery Time Summer Hours: Tuesdays & Thursdays • 9 am - 12 pm

Monday, July 10

7 pm Mission & Finance Meeting - Rm 5

Tuesday, July 11

2 pm Food Pantry

5:30 pm Personnel Meeting - Parlor

6 pm Community Impact Committee - Youth Rm

7 pm Outreach - Fellowship Hall

7 pm Smolder Young Adult Group

Wednesday, July 12

1 pm Knifty Knitters - Rm 6

3 pm Stitchin' Sisters - Rm 3/4

6:30 pm Trustees Meeting - Rm 3/4

Thursday, July 13

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, July 14

2 pm Food Pantry

6 pm Our Table - FH

ANNOUNCEMENTS



WELCOME! 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: Ron & Sandy Lowe. Hosts for next week: Donna Burkholder, Peter Witmer, Dave & Jim Witmer. 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 are provided this weekend to the glory of God provided by Steven & Morgan Murphy in loving memory of our father, James Murphy.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT – The roses in the sanctuary today are in honor of Madelyn Grace Welk and Delilah Rose Welk born on Sunday, July 2 to Sam and Hannah Welk

"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!*

VBS DECORATION SET-UP will be **July 13th and 14th starting at 9am** and the **15th starting at 10am**. Stop by to help.

VBS MEETING - There will be a VBS volunteer meeting on **July 15 at 9am** for all of those who are going to help during the week.

VBS SNACK DONATIONS - Please bring your VBS snack donation by July 2nd and place it in room 5 or the refrigerator in the kitchen.

HOLY LAND TRIP - We will be meeting on **August 6 at 3pm** in Fellowship Hall to learn about a trip to the Holy Land. If you are interested please let Pastor Bob know. The spots are filling up quickly.

ANNOUNCEMENTS CONTINUED

Mark Your Calendar for Upcoming Dates

July 9 – 14	High School Mission Trip -- Raysal, West Virginia (<i>Home Repair</i>)
July 16 -21	Vacation Bible School
July 30 – Aug. 4	Middle School Trip – Princeton, NJ (<i>Food Packaging & Distribution</i>)
Tuesday, Aug. 1	National Strasburg Night Out
Sunday, Aug. 27	Annual Church Picnic
Saturday, Sept. 2	Bluegrass Festival at Strasburg Community Park

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

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



July Deacons of the Month: David Griffith and Heidi Zook Payne

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

ASSISTANCE CORNER



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.

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

UPDATED FOOD BANK PRIORITIES: This past month we welcomed 8 new families to FPC by way of the food pantry. We would not be able to meet their needs if it was not for your support. We are grateful to each of you for being a vital part of this ministry. We thank you for your continued support.



Donna Stettler & the Food Pantry Volunteers and Committee Members.

MONTH OF JULY ~ FOOD PANTRY PRIORITY NEEDS

- Boxed or canned potatoes
- White or Brown Rice
- Boxed Macaroni and Cheese
- Canned Chicken
- Canned peaches, pears, oranges, Pineapple

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 or 717-617-9501. Thank you!