

First Presbyterian Church

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Sunday, July 7, 2024



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WORSHIP LEADER/READER
8:30am Sandy Wenger

WORSHIP: 8:30am and 11:00am

Sunday, July 7, 2024

Welcome

8:30am 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

*"Thaxted"
"Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross"*

Holst, arr. Pettit
arr. W. Winans

GREETING & ANNOUNCEMENTS / RINGING OF THE BELL

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 150

Leader: Praise the Lord!

People: Praise God in the sanctuary; praise God in his mighty firmament!

Leader: Praise the Lord!

People: Praise God for mighty deeds; praise God according to his surpassing greatness!

Leader: Let everything that breathes praise the Lord!

People: Praise the Lord! Let us worship God.

*HYMN

"Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence"

No. 5

PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION

God, We praise you today for gathering us here to worship you. Teach us to open our mouths when it is wise and to close them when we need to listen. Help us to sing your praises. Help us to hear what others have to say. And forgive us. Forgive us for the times when it would have been better to speak, and we were silent. Forgive us for the times when it would have been better to be silent, and we spoke. And then open our mouths and our ears so that in speaking and listening we may give you glory in Jesus Christ. 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

Rev. Dr. Michael Wilson

COMMISSIONING OF OUR MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH TO NJ

FIRST SCRIPTURE

Proverbs 17:27-28

Sunday, July 7, 2024

Welcome!

8:30am Service

SECOND SCRIPTURE

Matthew 12:15-22

SERMON

"Stay Silent!"

Rev. Dr. Michael Wilson

*HYMN

"O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee"

No. 357

WE BRING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

OFFERTORY

"Ave Verum Corpus"

W. A. Mozart

*DOXOLOGY

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Prayers of the People & the Lord's Prayer

Words of Institution

Welcome

Distribution

*ALLELUIA

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

"Paeon for a Festival"

R. Hughes

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

Sermon Notes

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

- Place your contribution in the collection plate
- 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



WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sunday, July 7

- 8:30am **Worship** (Classic)
9:30am **Coffee Hour**
10am **Sunday School Classes** for all ages
Children's Sunday School (Grades K - 5) - Rm 12
Youth Sunday School (Grades 6 - 12) - Youth Room
Young Adults - Choir Room
Wired Word - Library
Young at Heart - Rm 3/4
11am **Worship** (Modern)
6pm Wings n' Things - The Tavern at Springhouse
IGNITED - Combined Youth Group - 6 - 8pm - Fellowship Hall
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Monday, July 8

- 9am VBS Decoration Day
7pm Mission & Finance - Room 5

Tuesday, July 9

- 2pm Food Pantry
6:30pm Community Impact Committee - Room 3/4
7pm Outreach Committee - Room 5

Wednesday, July 10

- 1pm Knifty Knitters - Library
3pm Stitchin' Sisters - Room 3/4

Thursday, July 11

- 6:30am Men's Fellowship & Devotions - Library - Bring your own coffee/breakfast items
9am VBS Decoration Day
6pm Food Pantry Committee - FH
*No Bible Study This Evening

Friday, July 12

- 9am VBS Decoration Day
2pm Food Pantry
6pm Our Table - FH
6pm Praise Team - Sanctuary

NEXT WEEK ~ JULY 14, 2024

First Scripture: Ezekiel 34:23-24

Second Scripture: Matthew 12:22-32

Sermon Title: "Jesus Messiah"
Rev. Robert K. Bronkema, Preaching

ANNOUNCEMENTS



We are glad to see you here! Check out our website: www.straspres.org under the "Events" 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.

We are pleased to welcome Rev. Dr. Michael Wilson as our guest Preacher this Sunday.

The flowers today are given to the Glory of God, by Steven and Morgan Murphy, in loving memory of their father, James Murphy.



COFFEE HOUR • Join us today in Fellowship Hall each Sunday at 9:30am for coffee and fellowship with old and new friends. Hosts for next week: Ron and Sandy Lowe. Volunteers are needed for July and thereafter. All volunteers will be reimbursed for their purchases. If you would like to help with Coffee Hour, please contact 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!

GREAT BEGINNINGS PRESCHOOL REGISTRATION for the 2024-2025 school year is open! Contact Heather Reynolds, Administrative Director at hreynolds@straspres.org or 717-617-9501, or pick up an application at the church office or the preschool mailbox.



CLEARANCES: If you are planning on volunteering to help with any of our children or youth activities then you will need to make sure your clearances are completed. There is a link to the clearances on our church website under "Serve and Connect," or you can see Beth Feiler or Kyle Lainhoff for more information and help on completing the clearances.

FLAT JESUS: Take Jesus with you on your next vacation or day trip! Stop by room 5 for a kid/family bag filled with activities to do while you're away or pick up a Flat Jesus and pick your own activities. This is a great idea if you're traveling as a couple or with Grandkids. Take pictures with Flat Jesus wherever you go and send them to Beth Feiler at bfeiler@straspres.org.



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL: There are a few volunteer crew leader spots open for VBS. Crew leaders help lead the children around to their different activities. Sign up in room 5. We also need a few people to cook hotdogs and help in the set up for our picnic on July 19th. Please contact Beth Feiler with interest.

*For any Pastoral emergencies, please contact John Hartman at 919-395-8539.



Mark Your Calendar for Upcoming Events!

IMPACT ~ We will pick back up on Tuesday, August 13th. Contact Kristin to hear about special get togethers in July.

WINGS & THINGS • Gather with the men of FPCS for wings, or another dish of your liking **every first Sunday of the month**. Our next gathering will be **TODAY @ 6pm at "The Tavern" at Springhouse**.

Vacation Bible School: July 14-19: The registration form can be found on the church website under Learn-Children's Ministry-VBS. Paper copies can be found on the VBS table under the TV in the welcome area.



"OUR TABLE" WORSHIPPING COMMUNITY • Every Friday Night Beginning at 6pm • 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!

WEDNESDAY MORNING WALK/RUN GROUP • Wednesday mornings (weather permitting) we will meet at the church parking lot at 5:25am and take off at 5:30am sharp. We will embark on 3, one mile loops through town, each loop ending at the church before starting the next. All are welcome! You can walk, run, or both. You can do 1, 2, or all 3 miles and then some! Questions, or to be added to the text message update group please contact Dillon Sickler at 484-467-1587.



VBS Decoration Days • Join us to help transform our church into a magical under the sea space on **July 8th, 11th and 12th from 9am - 12pm**.



Save the Date!

Tuesday, August 6th
Sunday, August 18th
Saturday, August 31st

National/Strasburg Night Out
Annual Church Picnic
Bluegrass Festival



ASSISTANCE CORNER

CURRENT FOOD PANTRY NEEDS

- Canned pasta (Spaghetti-O's, Ravioli)
- Canned fruit (mixed, pineapple, peaches, oranges)
- Prayers (for those facing food insecurities)

- Peanut butter
- Jelly
- Boxed Macaroni & Cheese



Monetary donations are gladly accepted. Kindly use the envelopes marked FOOD found in the pews. This allows the volunteers to purchase most needed items when our stock is depleted. Thank you for considering this request.

NURSERY NEEDS: The nursery is in need of goldfish crackers, baby wipes and Clorox wipes. Thank you for considering this request!

USHERS are needed for both first and second services. If interested, please contact Wayne Carr at waynec01@comcast.net for first service or Andrea Petrokonis, petrokonisandrea@gmail.com for second service.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD SHOEBOXES: For the month of July we will be collecting small plastic new water bottles, bowls, cups, utensils, hair brushes, hair ties, head bands, KIDS toothbrushes, sunglasses, nail clippers, lip balm, emery boards, adhesive bandages, small packs of tissues, flip flops, baseball caps and bandanas. The collection box is outside room #5.

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED to help on Sunday mornings in the Nursery, Children's Church and Sunday School. Please consider and pray about assisting in these rooms and getting to know the awesome children of our church family. There are sign-up sheets located on the wall racks by the welcome desk, or contact Beth Feiler or Amy Black.



Water Street Rescue Mission Volunteer Opportunities

There are opportunities for our congregation to serve meals at the Water Street Rescue Mission in Lancaster this summer. These events will require around 2.5 hours of your time serving meals to the Mission's residents. Our church has 2 slots reserved for each of the following meals and there will be someone from our volunteer team serving with you:

Tuesday, July 9	Dinner	4:00 pm to 6:30 pm
Friday, July 12	Lunch	11:00 pm to 1:30 pm
Tuesday, August 13	Dinner	4:00 pm to 6:30 pm
Wednesday, August 14	Breakfast	6:00 am to 8:30 am
Friday, August 23	Lunch	11:00 pm to 1:30 pm



**WATER STREET
MISSION**

If you are interested in serving or if you would like to learn more about these serving opportunities reach out to Terry Sweigart at 717-606-6907 or by email at tLsweig@gmail.com. Thanks for your consideration.