



e-News

June 5, 2019

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"The Gospel of Mark" Summer Sermon Series

Over the summer, from June 2 to September 1, we will go through a 14-week study of the Gospel of Mark. I encourage you to start reading the Gospel of Mark, the shortest Gospel, in preparation for our Sermon Study Series and throughout the summer. Most weeks you can read one chapter and come prepared for the Sunday morning Sermon and worship.

June 9	"F.r.i.e.n.d.s"	Mark Chapter 2
June 16	"See The Kingdom"	Mark Chapter 3
June 23	"What God Does and We Can Do"	Mark Chapter 4

"F.r.i.e.n.d.s" —This Sunday we are looking at Chapter 2 of the Gospel of Mark. This chapter is quite amazing to me, because it packs so much from friends willing to do the unthinkable for their friend—to Jesus inviting the tax collectors and sinners to dinner, to discovering that the traveling preacher that stopped in the village is actually the Son of God. It is a beautiful chapter to be introduced to who Christ is. I would encourage you to read the full chapter ahead of Sunday, and ask yourself the question: What does it mean to be a Friend of Jesus? See you Sunday, Be blessed, Bo M.

Music this Sunday:

9:00 a.m.—Bryan Endres 10:30 a.m.—Worship Band

The Week Ahead

***Upcoming Council/Committee Meetings:

Stewardship Council—June 5, 3:30 p.m.
Parish Council—June 9, 11:45 a.m.
Ladies Retreat Committee—June 10, 7 p.m.
Night Deacons—June 11, 7 p.m.
Church Growth Council—June 12, 4:30 p.m.
Executive Committee—June 13, 6 p.m.
Session—June 13, 7 p.m.

***Fellowship/Bible Studies/Small Groups:

Men's Breakfast—June 7, 7:30 a.m. at The Old Fashioned Pancake House on Jefferson St.
Confirmation Lock-In—June 7, 7 p.m.
2nd Sunday Potluck—June 9, 11:45 a.m.
Women's Bible Study—June 12, 10 a.m.; contact Mary Lynn Keir, 815-782-4762
Mary Circle—June 13, 12 noon at the home of Andrea Warren

Centering Prayer—Tuesdays at 1 p.m. in Room 217
Praise Yoga—Tuesdays at 7 p.m. and Thursdays at 8 a.m. in the Narthex

Volunteers this Sunday, June 9, 2019

9:00 a.m.

Connection Center:

Mark & Anita Schneidewind

Children's Worship:

Megan Pritz

Greeters:

Emma Sticklen

Acolytes:

Tate Albers

Liturgists:

Ushers:

Barb Rogers, Capt.

Mark Dykema

Coffee Fellowship: Allen Brooks, Capt.;

Sound Room: Rich Pool

Video Screens:

10:30 a.m.

Mark & Anita Schneidewind

Sarah Lundeen

Carter Lakin

Ed Schultz, Capt.

June 2, 2019

Worship Attendance — 207

Stewardship Report

2019-2020 Budget: \$760,935

Year to Date Receipts \$133,790

Year to Date Expenses \$136,688

2018-2019 Bequest/Gift Income Received — -0-

Please call Tracy Norris if you wish to use electronic giving through your bank. We also have online giving in which you can use your credit card. Just go to our Website, www.firstpresjoliet.org, and click on "Giving."

THE PASTOR'S CORNER... Craig Herr, Senior Pastor

Worship with us on this Pentecost Sunday. We are grateful for God's presence with us always through the presence of the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit makes Christ Jesus present in our lives always and is a comforter to us. In addition, the Holy Spirit guides us into all truth and inspires us through the scriptures as we read them. Come and worship in Spirit and in Truth this Sunday with your church family.

Summer "Roar" VBS. NOW is the time to sign up to volunteer in some way for Summer VBS, June 24-28. It's a wonderful, fun-filled week in which to share the love and joy of Jesus Christ with all of the children and families that come to First Pres. that week. It's a great time to bring your children and grandchildren and to invite children from your neighborhood and school. Registration for both volunteers and participants can be done on our website. Look for the VBS "Roar" Icon Box and click on it.

New Summer Sermon Series on the Gospel of Mark began Sunday, June 2. Over the summer, from June 2 to September 1, we will have a 14-week study of the Gospel of Mark. I encourage you to start reading the Gospel of Mark, the shortest Gospel, in preparation and throughout the summer. Most weeks you can read one chapter and come prepared for the Sunday morning sermon and worship.

Free Summer Lunch Program Just Started.

There are opportunities to serve and be a part of this Summer Ministry. The Free Summer Lunch Program started today, Wednesday, June 5. Lunch is from 11 a.m.-1:00 p.m. Call Barb Rodgers at 815-439-3747 to volunteer or ask questions.

A Special Offering is being received this Sunday to help the Khloth Family. Last week we learned the sad news that Suos Khloth, our church Sexton, was killed in a tragic car accident. We are taking a special offering this Sunday to help Chanthy and the family in this time of great loss and need. If you are unable to be here on Sunday and wish to give, just send your contribution to the office.

In Christ,

Craig

Our Church Family

Known to be in the Hospital: No one.

Please continue to keep the Khloth family in your prayers. Our sexton, Suos Khloth, was killed in a tragic car accident on May 26th.

The hospitals will no longer call to tell us if members have been admitted, so please let us know if you or a member of your family is in the hospital.

KIDS

Roar VBS is coming June 24-28. Register now for a fun week. Roar is filled with incredible Bible-learning experiences kids see, hear, touch, and even taste! Come join the fun. Register online at firstpresjoliet.org.

YOUTH

Teen Sunday School: Join us this Sunday between services (and every Sunday this summer!) for Teen Sunday School! We've spent the year going over who Jesus is and now we will learn about the names he is called in the Bible. This Sunday's name is Immanuel. We will meet in Room 206 at 10:05 and be done in time for the 10:30 a.m. service.

TwentySomeone: This week will be our first discussion week! Have chapters one and two read by tonight and be sure to bring your notebook for discussion! We will meet at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesdays in Room 206. This Bible study is aimed at people in their 20's, but anyone out of high school is welcome!

FAMILIES

2nd Sunday Potluck is this Sunday, June 9, right after 2nd service. Bring a dish to share, drop it off in the kitchen and head to worship. We always have great food and a wonderful time of fellowship!

You can make Roar VBS a family affair! Parents can register on our website, www.firstpresjoliet.org to help out during this fun week, www.firstpresjoliet.org. Or call Bo to find out just where you can help.

MISSION

Help fill empty shelves & stomachs!

There are several opportunities at First Pres. to help those in our community who are food insecure—

Our Micro Pantry offers canned and packaged food to those in need. You can help by bringing food or by offering to check the pantry one day a week and filling it with food we have on hand.

"Bags of Love" are filled with easy open food donations the last Sunday of the month and taken to MorningStar Mission for distribution. There are bins in the Narthex for your donations.

The Free Summer Lunch Program is offered Monday through Friday, June 5 through August 15, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Volunteers are needed to help the kids open their boxed lunches, and to help with activities.

