



"The Gospel of Mark" Summer Sermon Series

Over the summer, until September 1, we are going 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 and throughout the summer. Most weeks you can read one chapter and come prepared for the Sunday morning Sermon and worship.

July 14 Mark 7
July 21 Mark 8

The Jesus we see in the Gospel of Mark, has a very public and bold ministry, especially when it comes to confronting the old religious establishment. As he confronts the Pharisees about their practices, Jesus opens a new door to understand the laws of the Old Testament, in a way that makes sense to his audience. In many ways we live in a similar times, when "old time religion" is challenged daily by the a new day raising the question: What does a Follower of Jesus looks to-day? How would you answer that question? I pray that God will open our hearts and our understanding as we get ready for Sunday, in a way that will give us a not only a new understanding to the the "old time religion" but also a a new desire to serve Him in a new day. Looking forward to see you in worship this Sunday,

Have a blessed day
Bo M.

July 7, 2019

Worship Attendance — 157

Stewardship Report

2019-2020 Budget: \$ 768,135

Year to Date Income \$218,314

Year to Date Expenses \$190.463

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."

e-News

July 10, 2019

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The Week Ahead

Fellowship/Bible Studies/Small Groups:

TwentySomeone—Text Karissa at 815-954-3047 for details on our next meeting.

Centering Prayer—Tuesdays at 1 p.m. in Room 217

Praise Yoga—July 11 at 8 a.m. in the Narthex.

Potluck Sunday — After 2nd Service, bring a dish to share in fellowship with the First Pres. Community

Our Church Family

Known to be in the Hospital: No one.

A Memorial Service for Joan Pettigrew will be held Saturday, July 13, 10:30 a.m., here at First Presbyterian Church.

Music This Sunday:

9:00 a.m. Emilee Rowzee is singing.
10:30 a.m. Worship Band

Volunteers this Sunday, July 14, 2019

9:00 a.m.

10:30 a.m.

Connection Center:

Sharon Cavanaugh and Dave Cavanaugh

Children's Worship:

Megan Pritz

Sarah Lundeen

Greeters:

Emma Sticklan

Acolytes:

Tate Albers

Rafe Rogers

Ushers:

Al Brooks, Capt.

Ed Schultz, Capt.

Mark Dykema

Mark Morrison

Mark Fumagalli

Coffee Fellowship: Lisa Haldorson, Capt ; Pat Haldorson

Sound Room: Cliff Stepina

Video Screens: Matt Blaser

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

This Sunday, We celebrate the transforming love, grace, and power of Jesus Christ in our lives and in the world. Come and worship with your church family.

We are searching for a Full-Time Custodian.

We've started to receive resumes for our Custodian Position. If you know someone who is looking for a full time custodian position please ask them to give us a call.

Volunteer for the Free Summer Lunch Program.

The Free Summer Lunch Program has been going a month now, since 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. We have a group of grade school boys who would love to have someone play board games with them.

The Latest News for our Habitat Home Build,

The Groundbreaking ceremony is set for Friday, August 9 at 9:00 a.m. Thirteen Churches and several organizations are going to participate in building the new Habitat House at 1517 N. Raynor Ave. That's exciting news. Things are drying out and building will start in August after the groundbreaking. I should know soon the date for the meeting with all of the churches involved.

We welcome Ellen Kientop to the office team.

Ellen has started to work in the office as our Secretary-Ministry Outreach Assistant. She has worked in the President's Office of Lewis University and completed an Art Minor in college. She has experience with computers, social media, leading organizations and people management. We are excited that Ellen has joined the office team and our ministry.

The Youth are involved in a Mission-Week Experience in Virginia. Just click on this link to see and read about what they are doing to make a difference. Keep our youth and their leaders and those whom they serve in your prayers.

<https://firstpresmissiontrips.wordpress.com>

In Christ,
Craig

YOUTH

Teen Sunday School: Will resume Sunday July, 21 at 10:05

FAMILIES!

Save the date — August 25 for the All-Church Picnic. Delicious food, fun games and great fellowship!

TwentySomeone: Karissa and Amber will continue to meet for TwentySomeone, but we are changing times and locations. If you are interested in this laid-back small group and aged 18-30, please text Karissa, 815-954-3047. The more the merrier!



On July 23 from 6:30pm-9:00pm the women of FPJ are going to head to Happy Daisy Art Studio in Morris for a night of painting! We will be painting wine glasses and you can even ask for stemless glasses if you prefer. The above picture, a four seasons set, will be the design for the evening! You must buy a ticket ahead of time to attend. To buy this ticket you can head to <http://happy-daisy-art-studio.-myshopify.com> and find the event on July 23 (it will have the same display photo as the one above!). Or, you can call Jillian at (630)448-2278 and pay over the phone. There is also a button on the church's homepage that will directly link you to buy a ticket. Happy Daisy Art Studio is located at 202 Liberty St, Morris, IL 60450. We look forward to seeing you there!

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 keep on hand. Donations should be of prepackaged goods only, please refrain from donating homemade dishes.

"**Bags of Love**" are filled with easy-open food donations, socks, and toiletries the last Sunday of the month and taken to MorningStar Mission for distribution. There are bins in the Narthex for your donations. Especially needed are easy open canned meals/entrees.

The **Free Summer Lunch Program** is offered Monday through Friday, through August 15, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Children K-12 Grade are served a free nutritious boxed lunch. If you'd like to help with serving or activities (crafts, reading, etc.), please contact Barb Rodgers at 815-439-3747.