



Extend Yourself



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11/3 -“Encouragers Go Further”
Romans 12:6-8, 15:4-7

11/10 - “Go and Do Likewise”
Luke 10:35-37

11/17 - “Extend Gratitude”
Psalm 103

11/24 - “Being a Role Model/Example”
I Timothy 4:12

Youth Group/Teen Take Over

October 20, 2019

Worship Attendance — 181

Stewardship Report

2019-2020 Budget: \$ 768,135

Year to Date Income \$395,295

Year to Date Expenses \$393,855

Peace offering received \$253.00

2018-2019 Bequest/Gift Income Received — \$3,000

Online giving, using your credit or debit card is available on our website, firstpresjoliet.org under “Give”

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The Week Ahead Fellowship/Bible Studies:

Centering Prayer—Tuesdays at 1 PM in Room 217

Praise Yoga—Thursdays at 8AM and Tuesdays at 7 PM

Glory Ringers — Mondays at 7 PM

Lunch Bunch—Tuesdays at noon

The Way - Mondays at 10 AM in room 210

Trunk N Treat—10/23 from 6 PM to 7:30 PM

Women’s Bible Study—10 am on 10/24

Men’s Dinner — 10/25 at 6 pm at Wildhorse in Joliet

Project Linus — 9 am on 10/28

Mission Council — 10/30 at 4:45 pm

Youth Group and Confirmation will not be meeting this Sunday the 27th.

VOLUNTEER AT THE NORTHERN IL FOOD BANK,

On Saturday 11/ 2 up to 25 adults & children 8+ can go to the Northern Illinois food bank to help. Wear closed toe shoes and be there 8:50 a.m. -11:30 a.m. It’s on Larkin Ave. behind Taco Bell and Comfort Inn. Call the Office (815-727-9259) To sign up!

SOUP AND MOVIE NIGHT

Mark your Calendars! November 9, Soup set up at 4:30. Dinner at 5 pm, and movies will begin at 6 pm! The movies showing are: Aladdin (2019, PG), Indivisible(PG13), Where Hope Grows(PG13), Yesterday (PG13), and Green Book(PG13) . Bring your appetite and prepare for a fun evening of friends food, fellowship, and film!

SAVE THE DATE: (More Details to Come)

We are planning a community trip to Brookfield Zoo on December 8th!

Volunteers this Sunday, October 27, 2019

9:00 a.m.

10:30 a.m.

Connection Center:

Jerry Lundeen Sheila Lundeen

Children’s Worship:

Stefanie Young

Pam LeVasseur

Greeters:

Barb Rodgers

Acolytes:

Tate Albers

Creighton Blaser

Ushers:

Mark Dykema

Ed Schultz

Coffee Fellowship:

Sue Fordyce , Capt.

Sound Room:

Cliff Stepina

Video Screens:

Matt Blaser

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

SUNDAY, October 27. We finish our "Strength for This Season" Sermon Series, this Sunday. We seek the Lord of life, the God who loves us deeply and who holds on to us throughout our life. The Chancel Choir is singing at the 9:00 a.m. Traditional service and the Worship Band is singing and playing at the 10:30 Contemporary Service.

SERMON. This Sunday, Bo is preaching on "Live More." The sermon text is Colossians 3:12-17. We read about putting on more kindness, compassion and love among other very good things as we live our daily lives.

TONIGHT IT'S ALL ABOUT TRUNK'N TREAT! Yes, Trunk N' Treat is here!. Come tonight at 5:00 p.m. to help make this exciting community event at our church happen again! We will put you to work in any of the following ways: set up, clean up, service food, greet, decorate a trunk. Come and Anticipate MUCH FUN!

HELP MAKE FOOD AVAILABLE TO HUNGRY FAMILIES. Come volunteer on Saturday, Nov. 2 at the Northern Illinois Food Bank. it's at 171 S. Larkin Ave. behind the Taco Bell and Comfort Inn. We will work from 9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Just arrive 10 minutes early and wear closed-toe shoes. Children over 8 can come with an adult. Please call the office or let me know you plan to come.

NEW MEMBERS CLASS IN NOVEMBER. We are going to have a new members class on either Sunday, November 10 or 17 from 11:45 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. with Lunch provided. Please call the office or let me know if you are interested and let us know the best Sunday for you.

REMEMBER MIDWEEK FAMILY NIGHTS. We have best meals on Wednesday nights at 5:30 p.m. in Hoffman Hall. If you just want to join us for dinner you are welcome and will not be disappointed. After dinner we have classes and discussion groups for men, women, and children. We meet again on Wednesday, October 30.

In Christ,



Our Church Family

Known to be in the Hospital: no one

Brian Lynch passed on Oct. 17. Visitation will be Wednesday at Blackburn from 4-8 pm. Services will be here at FPJ Thursday morning at 11.

Sympathies are extended to the family of Diane Nelson. Arrangements pending.

A memorial service for Alice Stratemeyer will be held here at First Pres. on Saturday, October 26th at 11:00 a.m.

Sunday, October 20- "Seek the Most Good" II Timothy 3:10-17, Matt. 5:13-16

John Ortberg, once said, "I have never known someone leading a spiritually transformed life who had not been deeply saturated in Scripture."

"The purpose of knowing Scripture is not to help us get a 100 score on the heavenly entrance exam... The goal is not for us to get through the Scriptures. The goal is to get the Scriptures through us...."

You see the reading of the scriptures is to help us become "thoroughly equipped for every good work." I think of E.V. Hill, pastor a great, great church in Watt's, Los Angeles. In their fellowship hall where they went to after every worship service, there was a large sign, a banner, on which was printed these words,

"God Saved Nobody to Sit Down but Everybody to Work."

Their intention was to make a gracious difference for Christ in their city and world.

Jesus taught, *"let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven."* (Matt. 5:16)

Emerson once said, "we can remember ourselves into mediocrity, or we can forget ourselves into Eternity." Christians are to be about doing what is good for God's glory.

Are you seeking to do the Most Good that Jesus calls/asks you to do?

Past Sermons are available to hear on our website and app! Under "Media", then "Sermons"

<https://www.firstpresjoliet.org/sermons-2/>

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Check next week's Servants' Light for the sermon schedule for this series.

◇ TRUNK N TREAT ◇

Tonight from 6 to 7:30!

**Bring your whole family and come enjoy a festively fun evening at FPJ!
And a big thank you to all our gracious volunteers for making this event happen year after year!**