



e-News

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SERMON PREVIEW

I Believe

"The Eternity"

Romans 6:12-23

As we wrap up our sermon series on the basics of our faith, on the things that we, as Christians, believe, I have a question for you. What comes to mind when you hear *the eternity*? It's a big question! I'm guessing some things that may come to mind are heaven, suffering, salvation, life, and mission -- among so many others. Eternity. It can be defined as infinite time, duration without beginning or end. God is eternal. He exists outside of time. Frankly, my mind has a very difficult time grasping eternity. And while we read about eternity in the Bible, there are far more words talking about the new life we have in Christ in the here and now, than about life after death.

We live our lives in the context of eternity; yet most of the guidance we find in Scripture is for now. Right now. This moment. And the next. Our lives take place in the midst of eternity. Scripture was written in the midst of eternity. And so for me, the question of eternity comes down to not so much what eternity is. My question is: in the context of eternity, how are we to live? Or, to put it another way, if we are part of the continuum of eternity, what does that mean for us?

The Apostle Paul gives us some guidance in Romans 6:12-23 as he reminds us that in Jesus, we are free from sin, and further, we are free to serve God now and in eternity.

I'm really excited to dig into how we are called to live in the context of eternity. See you this weekend!

Pastor Carrie

We have **1 worship service** with traditional and contemporary songs in the service. Look for it online, (YouTube (firstpresjoliet.org), facebook, our website).

There is one service at 9 a.m. Sunday morning. With Fellowship Coffee hour after service in Hoffman Hall.

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Please pray for health and recovery for Pastor Bo's father

Prayers of healing for Dave Jeffries

Prayers of healing for Joyce Miner

Prayers of healing for Judy Korach

Prayers of healing for Lee Haldorson

TRICK OR TREATING

On Halloween come join us out front of First Pres to line the sidewalk and hand out some treats for the trick or treaters! Grab a camping chair, some candy, and celebrate with us!

Costumes are encouraged!

BIBLE SUNDAY! THIS SUNDAY!

On October 31st, yes on **HALLOWEEN**, it will be **BIBLE SUNDAY!**

Come and pick up a Bible for yourself, your kids, your teens, or anyone you know who might need one.

If you aren't joining us for live worship that morning, you can still drive through our lot at 10 am to get your Bible and some festive goodies at our Rally outside!

COMMUNITY UPDATES WILL BE SHARED IN BOTH LIVE AND ONLINE WORSHIP

Online Worship Services are available on
both Facebook and YouTube

Links are available on our website as
well!

Don't forget to participate in our special
Halloween Bible Sunday!

Bibles and treats are available at Live
Worship as well as at the Rally after!

Join Pastor Bo in handing out candy for
local trick-or-treaters from 6-7pm!
Costumes and masks are encouraged!

**HAPPY HALLOWEEN FROM
YOUR FAMILY AT FIRST
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
OF JOLIET!**

Sip N Sermons!

Meet us in Fireside each Sunday after
service! Grab a coffee, some snacks,
and join us for a more in depth dis-
cussion on each sermon.

Bring your questions!

Last Call for Texts on the Text!

I am so excited that we have enough la-
dies to begin our small group over text!

We will be starting this week! It's not too
late to sign up! I

f you would like to join our texts about
Sunday sermons, or other Biblical issues,
please email me at

carrie.kapral@firstpresjoliet.org.

Pastor Carrie

Save the Date: PAINT NIGHT

The Women's Ministry team is mak-
ing plans for a **FUN PAINT NIGHT** on
Thursday, December 2nd.

More information is coming soon!

Mark your calendars - you won't
want to miss this!

Pancake Breakfast is back!

The first Saturday of each month,
starting Nov. 6th, the Night Deacons
will be serving a pancake breakfast!
The breakfast is free and open to
everyone.

Breakfast start at 8:30 a.m.