

## To Our Visitors, Welcome!

To all who are weary and seek rest; to all who mourn and long for comfort; to all who struggle and desire victory; to all who sin and need a Savior; to all who are idle and look for service; to all who are strangers and want fellowship; to all who hunger and thirst after righteousness; and to whosoever will come – this church opens wide her doors and offers her welcome in the name of Jesus her Lord.

We are delighted that you are worshiping with us this morning, and we invite you to join us for fellowship, coffee, and cookies after the service in the parlor.

Children are welcomed and encouraged to remain in the worship service, however a nursery is available for infants and pre-school-aged children. Ask anyone with a nametag for directions. Denim activity bags are available in the Narthex for children to use during the service.

## Announcements

**CORRECTION:** There will be an Annual Meeting of the Congregation immediately following Worship next Sunday, **February 14, 2016**, for the following purposes: approval of Terms of Call for Pastor, reception of annual reports, presentation of the budget, and any other business appropriate to the annual meeting.

**From Facilities:** If you have an interest in items on the second floor of the education wing, east side rooms, please leave a note on the item of interest by Feb. 14<sup>th</sup> indicating:

- 1) your intent to remove the item from the building by Feb. 21<sup>st</sup>, or
- 2) suggested use elsewhere in building

Thank you for your cooperation!

### New Membership Class

Come and explore whether or not God is calling you to become a member of First Presbyterian Church. We will look at several areas of what it means to be a Christian and an active disciple of Jesus Christ as a member of Casper First. If you are not certain whether or not you are ready to join, this is the place to go to help you make that decision. We will meet for approximately 7-8 weeks during the Sunday School hour in the small conference room on the second floor beginning **February 21<sup>st</sup>**. Please call the church office to inform us of your intention to join us, or e-mail the church office. This will allow us to know who is coming and also helps us to know the quantity of materials needed for the class.

### Newsletter Now Available

The February issue of the Messenger is available. Please pick up a copy at one of the sanctuary doors as you enter or leave worship this morning, as we will not be mailing them anymore except by request.

## Prayer Concerns

- ✠ Misty Folz; Phyllis Karns; Elizabeth Specht; family of Ernie Sabec; family of Dominique Hennagin Dobson; our Prayer and Vision teams; EPC West Global Workers Ryan, Brian, and Sean and their families
- ✠ For our country and all her officers, our state and all her officers, and our local community and all her officers.
- ✠ For all military men and women and their families, including Brian Barksdale, and especially for those serving in dangerous positions
- ✠ For the EPC Presbytery of the West, specifically for *Rev. Mark Huebl and the congregation of Covenant Community Church in Aurora, CO*; our Elders and Deacons; Kenya's Chogoria South Presbytery, the four churches of the Kamwangu Nendini, and Pastor Mackylas; Ali Arhab and Channel North Africa's outreach to new Christians and to Muslims; our EPC missionaries, Ryan, Brian, and Sean, and their families  
*\*Each week we will focus our prayers on one specific church in the EPC Presbytery of the West.*
- ✠ For Christians suffering persecution in Libya, Iraq, Syria, Pakistan; for Christians at risk in Nigeria, Kenya, Algeria, Jordan, Egypt and elsewhere

## Upcoming Events for the week of February 7-14

### TODAY

9:15 Sunday School

11:00 A.M. Worship/Fellowship

### Monday Feb. 8<sup>th</sup>

2:00 P.M. Parish Life  
(rescheduled)

5:30 P.M. Evangelism  
7:00 P.M. Stewardship

### Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup>

9:00 A.M., 7:00 P.M. Romans Study

4:15 P.M., 6:15 P.M. Companions  
in Christ

### Next Sunday Feb. 14<sup>th</sup>

9:15 Sunday School

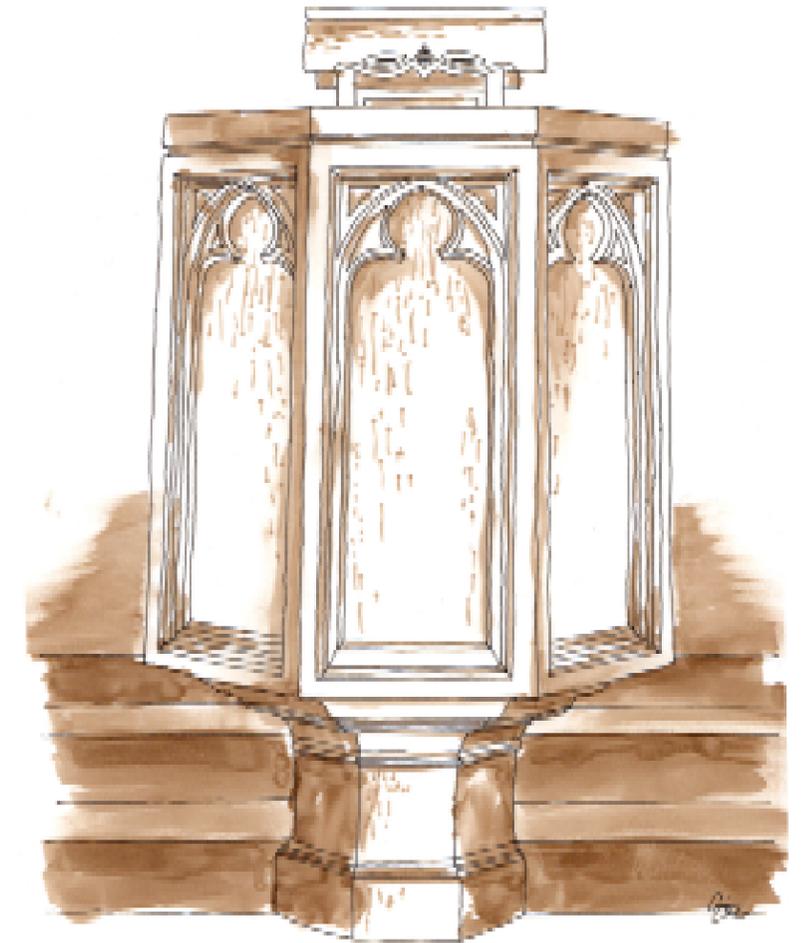
11:00 A.M. Worship/Fellowship  
Annual Congregational Meeting  
following worship

### Church Staff

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Order for the Worship of God  
February 7, 2016  
Communion

**Prelude** *Be Thou My Vision*, Irish Folk Medley Arr. Mark Hayes

**Welcome and Announcements**

**\*Invocation**

**\*Passing of the Peace**

Leader: Grace and peace to you.

**People: And also to you.**

**\*Opening Hymn** *We Gather Together* #363

**\*Call to Worship** (from Psalm 34)

Leader: I will bless the LORD at all times; his praise shall continually be in my mouth.

**People: My soul makes its boast in the LORD; let the humble hear and be glad.**

Leader: Oh, magnify the LORD with me, and let us exalt his name together!

**People: Oh, taste and see that the LORD is good!  
Blessed is the man who takes refuge in him!**

**Prayer of Confession** (in unison)

**O God, according to your steadfast love; according to your abundant mercy blot out our transgressions. Wash us thoroughly from our iniquity and cleanse us from our sin. For we know our transgressions, and our sin is ever before us. Against you, you only, have we sinned and done what is evil in your sight, so that you may be justified in your words and blameless in your judgment. Purge us with hyssop, and we will be clean; wash us, and we will be whiter than snow, in the name and by the blood of our faithful and loving savior Jesus Christ.**

~ Silent confession ~ **Amen.**

**Assurance of Pardon** (responsively)

Leader: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

**All: If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just, and will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. Thanks be to God!**

**\*Gloria Patri** #735

**Anthem** *Glory to the King of Kings* Van Denman Thompson

**Old Testament Texts**

Deuteronomy 8:1-3, 6:13  
Pew Bible [Blue] p. 152, [Red] p. 194

Psalm 91:11-12  
Pew Bible [Blue] p. 497, [Red] p. 632

**New Testament Text**

Luke 4:1-15  
Pew Bible [Blue] p. 859, [Red] p. 1093

**Sermon** *Can I Take Your Order Please?* Pastor Mark Tippin

**\*Hymn** *To God Be the Glory* #55

**Sacrament of the Lord's Supper**

The Nicene Creed (in hymnal p. 846)

Invitation

Prayer of Thanksgiving

For the Creation

For the Incarnation

For the Passion

For the Resurrection

For the Gift of the Spirit

The Lord's Prayer

The Words of Institution

The Giving of the Bread and Wine

**The Prayer of Praise** (in unison)

**Heavenly Father, we give you immortal thanks and praise that upon us you have conferred so great a benefit as to bring us into the communion of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; whom having been delivered up to death for us, you have given for our food and nourishment unto eternal life.**

**Now grant us grace that we may never be unmindful of these things, but rather shall carry them engraven upon our hearts, that we may advance and grow in that faith which is effectual unto every good work. Thus may the rest of our lives be ordered and followed out to your glory and to the edification of our neighbors; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you, O Father, and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns in unity, one God, world without end. Amen**

**Prayers of the People**

Thanksgiving

Intercession

For the Church

For the Ministry

For the Nation

For all People

The Lord's Prayer

**\*Hymn** *The Law of the Lord is Perfect* #152

**Tithes and Offerings**

**Offertory** *Promised Land*

Arr. Joseph M. Martin

**\*Doxology** #731

**\*Hymn** *The Lord's My Shepherd, I'll Not Want* #87

**\*Benediction**

**\*Postlude** *I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say* Arr. James E. Clemens

**\*Please stand if you are able**

**Participants in Today's Service**

Pastor	Mark Tippin
Liturgist	Janis Hall
Choirmaster	Zach Vreeman
Organist	Marilyn Fry
Head Usher	Leith Culver
Greeter	MH Hennagin
Communion Servers	Henry Groenenberg, Sue Rainey, Tim Schenk, Mike Fankhauser
Nursery	Jane Drake, Jenny Tippin

**Minute for Mission**

Today is **SOUPER Bowl Sunday!** Please place your extra cash donations in the big VeggieDairian jar just outside the south sanctuary entrance. For the annual Souper Bowl of Caring fundraiser, we'll purchase whatever the Mission kitchen is most in NEED of besides our normal milk donations ... fresh veggies, fresh fruit, or maybe even soup!

**Baby Bottle Boomerang** Please return your baby bottles to the parlor NEXT Sunday, February 14th. It's not too late to take a baby bottle as you leave worship today in order to add your donation for True Care's Pregnancy Resource Center. The money is used to help erase the perceived need for abortion in Central Wyoming. Please pray for the staff, volunteers, and clients of the clinic!

**Our Mission Statement**

Out of humble gratitude for the free and undeserved gift of grace we have received through Christ, the mission of First Presbyterian Church (EPC) is:

**To proclaim, with boldness, God's glory, truth, and love revealed to us in his Word through the Holy Spirit. We seek to worship Him with our entire lives, being continually reformed to Scripture, our only guide in faith and practice.**