

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

Travelers Needed for the Kingdom of God



We are looking to deliver our stockpile of wheelchairs accumulated on the top floor of our education wing. We need people who can deliver one or more chairs to a Wheels for The World center in the Denver area. We would like to accomplish this by the end of June. If you might be able to help, please contact Brad Christensen for more details (265-6044).

Temporary Office Hour Changes

Church office hours will be slightly irregular this week. The office will be closed on Tuesday, and will be open from 9-12 Wednesday through Friday. We hope this does not cause you any undue inconvenience.

Summer Worship Time Change

Beginning on June 5th, the Sunday worship service will begin at 9:30, just for the summer. Be sure to mark your calendars so you won't be late!

Prayer Concerns

- † 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. Bob Everest and the congregation of Community Protestant Church in West Yellowstone, MT; our elders, deacons, vision team, and vision prayer team
- † For Christians suffering persecution in Iraq

Upcoming Events for the week of May 22-29

TODAY

9:15 A.M. Sunday School
11:00 A.M. Worship/Fellowship

Monday 23rd

8:45 A.M. Worship Committee
5:30 P.M. Facilities

Next Sunday May 29th

9:15 A.M. LAST DAY of Sunday School
11:00 A.M. Worship/Fellowship

Next Sunday:

OT Text: Isaiah 29:16-19

NT Text: Luke 7:18-23

Sermon: "Proof Is in the Pudding"

Financial Update as of April 30, 2016

Expenses Year to Date	\$76,995.79
Income Year to Date	<u>67,095.10</u>
Income/Expenses	- \$9,900.69

First Presbyterian Church (EPC)

May 22, 2016



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Order for the Worship of God

May 22, 2016

Prelude *The Call to Victory*

David Paxton

Welcome and Announcements

*Invocation

Passing of the Peace

Leader: Grace and peace to you.

People: And also to you.

*Opening Hymn *Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise* #38

*Call to Worship (from Nehemiah 9)

Leader: Stand up and bless the LORD your God from everlasting to everlasting.

People: Blessed be your glorious name, which is exalted above all blessing and praise.

Leader: "You are the LORD, you alone. You have made heaven, the heaven of heavens, with all their host, the earth and all that is on it, the seas and all that is in them; and you preserve all of them; and the host of heaven worships you."

People: You are the LORD God, may our worship of you be pleasing in your sight.

*Hymn *Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven* #76

Psalter Psalm 103

Pew Bible [Blue] p. 502, [Red] p. 637

Reading alternate verses

Prayer of Confession (in unison) (from Psalm 38)

O LORD, rebuke us not in your anger nor discipline us in your wrath. There is no soundness in our flesh because of your indignation; there's no health in our bones because of our sin. Our wounds fester and are loathsome because of our sinful folly. All our longings lie open before you, O LORD; our sighing is not hidden from you. Our hearts pound, our strength fails us; even the light has gone from our eyes. O LORD, do not forsake us; be not far from us, O God. Come quickly to help us, by and through the mercy of 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 *Before the Throne of God Above*

Bancroft/Shane

Prayer for Illumination

Old Testament Text

I Kings 17:17-24

Pew Bible [Blue] p. 299, [Red] p. 380

New Testament Text

Luke 7:1-17

Pew Bible [Blue] p. 863, [Red] p. 1098

Sermon *Power Over Death*

Mark Tippin

*Hymn *All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!* #296

Prayers of the People

Thanksgiving

Intercession

For the Church

For the Ministry

For the Nation

For all People

The Lord's Prayer (inside hymnal cover)

Tithes and Offerings

Offertory *A Country Road*

Edward MacDowell

*Doxology

#731

*Confession of Faith *Westminster 3.1*

From all eternity and by the completely wise and holy purpose of his own will, God has freely and unchangeably ordained whatever happens. This ordainment does not mean, however, that God is the author of sin (he is not), that he represses the will of his created beings, or that he takes away the freedom or contingency of secondary causes. Rather, the will of created beings and the freedom and contingency of secondary causes are established by him.

*Hymn *Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation* #342

*Benediction

*Postlude *Blest Be the Tie That Binds*

J.G. Nageli

*Please stand if you are able

Participants in Today's Service

Pastor	Mark Tippin
Choirmaster	Zach Vreeman
Organist	Marilyn Fry
Liturgist	Janis Hall
Head Usher	Patti Christensen
Greeter	Mike Fankhauser
Nursery	Nita Christensen, Hannah Tippin

Information

- † Please call the church office (237-9509) ...
If you or a member of your family would like a visit while recuperating in the hospital or at home.
If you have a prayer concern.
- † Session requests that each member pay an EPC Annual Asking Amount of \$48 for 2016 (above and beyond your pledge)

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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.