

## 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 an unstaffed nursery is available for parents and children who might need a little break. Ask anyone with a nametag for directions. Denim activity bags are available in the Narthex for children to use during the service.

### 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.**

### Minute for Mission

#### Evangelism and Parish Life need your help!

The following items or services are needed for our Ministries:

1. Plastic grocery sacks for The Transformation Center (can be placed in the Mission Hall fabric basket)
2. Large paper shopping bags from places like Bed Bath & Beyond for the Lord's Warehouse (The LW shoppers use them for the smaller items they find in the LW.)
3. Toothbrushes, toothpaste, dental floss, disposable razors, motel-size lotions, shampoos, conditioners for The Transformation Center and for Interfaith (These can be placed in the canvas baskets in the Mission Hallway.)
4. Loaves of bread for our visitors (banana, pumpkin, zucchini, specialty white or wheat, etc) Volunteers please contact Janis or Phyllis and they will call you as fresh bread is needed.
5. Members to volunteer to be greeter. Sign-up sheet is in the parlor.
6. Members to volunteer to host the Fellowship time in the parlor (to make treats, set up, serve, and clean up). Sign-up sheet is in the parlor. You might want to share a Sunday with a friend!

*Thank you!!*

### Prayer Concerns

✠ For Matt Martin, Johnny Ussery, Justen Christensen, Bobbie Waldram, Sue Robertson, Carol Palomo, Jan Capps, Heather Milliken, Paula Gardner, Marielle Bondurant, Margarete Krans, Joanna Volker, Barbara Scifers, Jo Moreland, Janis Hall, Tom Hoffman, Anna Michenzi, Barb Matthews, June Ann McDaniel, Kathryn Clark, Dusty Pope, MH Hennagin.

✠ For our country, the President, Cabinet, government officials, and staff; for our Congressional Delegation: Senators Mike Enzi and John Barrasso, Representative Cynthia Lummis; for Judge Brian D. Christensen.

✠ For all military men and women and their families, including Brian Barksdale, and especially for those serving in dangerous positions.

✠ For the Presbytery of Wyoming; the EPC Presbytery of the West; our Elders and Deacons; Christ Reformed Presbyterian Church (EPC), Lingle; 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 and their families

✠ For Christians suffering persecution in Libya, Iraq, Syria, Pakistan; for Christians at risk in Nigeria, Kenya, Algeria and elsewhere.

**Please keep updating the office about those you have added to these Prayer Concerns.**

### Upcoming Events for the week of November 24-30

#### Monday

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

#### Tuesday

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

#### Wednesday

9:30 A.M. Bible Study  
7:00 P.M. Choir  
8:00 P.M. Bells

#### Saturday

9 A.M. Decorating the church

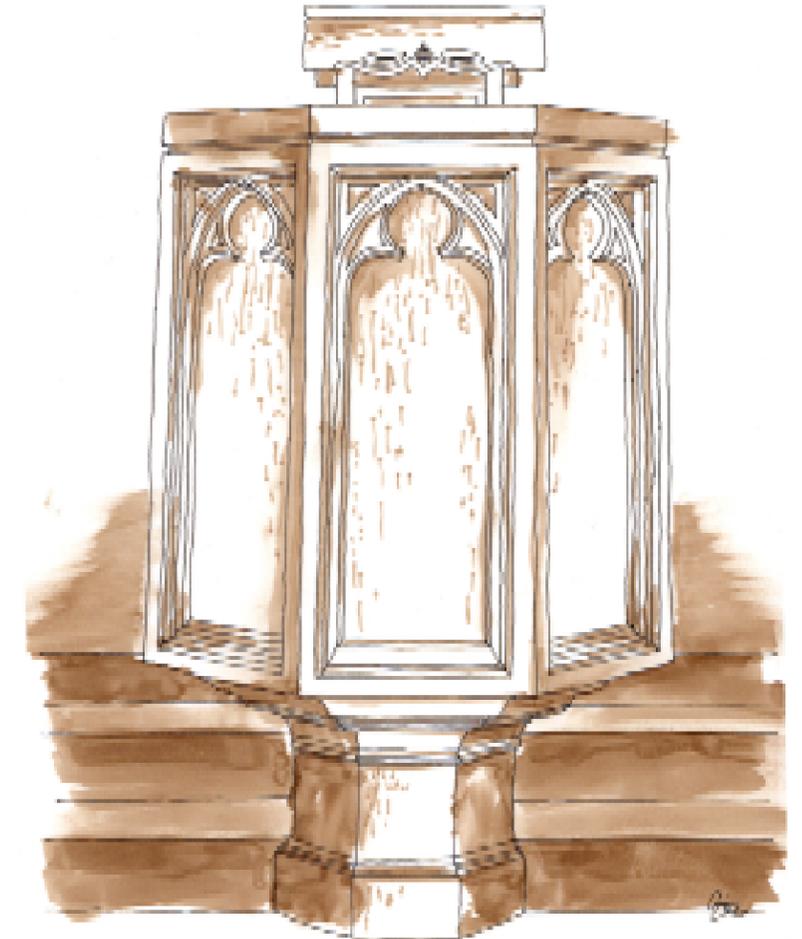
#### Sunday

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

The Nominating Committee will be meeting after  
worship in the library EVERY SUNDAY  
until further notice.

# First Presbyterian Church (EPC)

November 23, 2014



804 South Wolcott  
Casper, WY 82601

(307) 237-9509

(307) 473-2833 Fax

E-mail: [firstpc@qwestoffice.net](mailto:firstpc@qwestoffice.net)

Website: [www.firstprescasper.com](http://www.firstprescasper.com)

Facebook: First Presbyterian Church EPC of Casper WY

# Order for the Worship of God

November 23, 2014

**Prelude** *A Thanksgiving Triptych*

John Ferguson

## Welcome and Announcements

### Passing of the Peace

Leader: Grace and peace to you.

**People: And also to you.**

### Introit

Choir: O Lord, how shall I meet you, how welcome you a - right? Your  
All: Re - joice, then, you sad - heart - ed, who sit in deep - est gloom, who

peo - ple long to greet you, my hope, my heart's de - light! O  
mourn o'er joys de - part - ed and trem - ble at your doom. De -

kin - dle, Lord Most Ho - ly, your lamp with - in my breast to  
spair not, he is near - you, yea, stand - ing at the door, who

do in spi - rit low - ly all that may please you best.  
best can help and cheer - you and bids you weep no more.

### \*Call to Worship

Psalm 34:1-3

Leader: I will bless the LORD at all times;

**People: his praise shall continually be in my mouth.**

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

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

### \*Invocation

**\*Hymn** *Holy, Holy, Holy*

#100

### Psalter

Psalm 103

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

Reading alternate verses

### Prayer of Confession (in unison)

O Lord most Holy, merciful and mighty; whose holiness is sung by the seraphim; Holy are You and the earth is full of your glory. We confess that we are sinners, whose sin is an affront to Your holiness. We are lost, a people of unclean lips who cannot stand in Your presence. You have called us to be holy, but we continue to sin. You have called us to faith and generosity and hospitality, but we have turned inward in ourselves, neither seeking You nor reaching out to others. Forgive us, O Lord. Have mercy upon us for Jesus' sake. Make of us who and what You want us to be. For we ask it in the name of Jesus.

~ Silent prayer ~ 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

*God So Loved the World*

John Stainer

### Prayer for Illumination

### Old Testament Text

Isaiah 26:1-9

Pew Bible [Blue p. 586] [Red p. 746]

### New Testament Text

Revelation 2:18-29

Pew Bible [Blue p. 1029] [Red p. 1312]

### Sermon

*Expectation 4 – Holiness*

Pastor Paul Kuhn

### \*Hymn

*Lord, Speak to Me That I May Speak*

#561

### Prayers of the People

Thanksgiving

Intercession

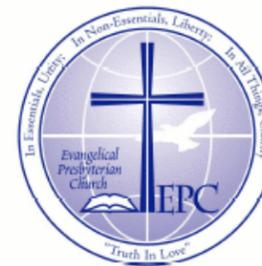
For the Church

For the Ministry

For the Nation

For all People

The Lord's Prayer



### Tithes and Offerings

**Offertory** *Now Thank We All Our God*

Arr. Michael Burkhardt

### \*Doxology

#731

### \*Confession of Faith

Leader: What is God?

**All: God is a spirit, who in and of himself is infinite in being, glory, blessedness, and perfection. He is all-sufficient, eternal, unchangeable, beyond our full understanding, present everywhere, almighty, knowing everything, completely wise, completely holy, completely just, completely merciful and gracious, patient, and overflowing with goodness and truth.**

### \*Hymn

*Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart*

#604

### \*Benediction

### \*Postlude

*Rejoice, O Pilgrim Throng*

Arr. Michael Burkhardt

### \*Please stand if you are able

## Participants in Today's Service

Pastor	Paul R. Kuhn
Liturgist	Janis Hall
Head Usher	Bill Specht
Organist	Beverly McAmis Reese
Choir Master	Zach Vreeman
Greeter	Mike Fankhauser

## Information

- ✚ Please call the church office (237-9509) ...
  - ✓ If you or a member of your family would like a visit when you are recuperating in the hospital or at home.
  - ✓ If you would like your name added to the Prayer Band.
  - ✓ If you would like your name in the Bulletin for prayer.
- ✚ The Session would like for each member to have a copy of the EPC Leadership Training Guide. You can pick up a free copy from the literature rack by the office door.
- ✚ Session is asking for a per capita payment of \$40.00 for 2014 (above and beyond your pledge)
- ✚ Printed copies of prior sermons are available in the magazine rack outside the church office

## Pledge Sundays

The Session has designated today as a Pledge Sunday. If you haven't already, please place your completed pledge cards in the offering plate or mail them to the church office. Your participation in the Stewardship Campaign will help our Budget Committee with an estimate of income for the upcoming year. If you did not receive a letter/pledge card and would like one, please contact Leith Culver. Thank you.