



**First Presbyterian Church
June 30, 2024**

200 YEARS
1824-2024
FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH COLUMBUS

Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

9:30 am

June 30, 2024

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

Congregational readings are in **bold** type.

+ indicates all are invited to stand.

Ringling of the Bell

John Frank

Welcome & Announcements

Christ Candle

Passing of the Peace

The Peace of the Risen Christ be with you.

And also with you.

Prelude

“How Fair and How Pleasant Art Thou”

Marcel Dupré

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Remembering Our Baptism

+ Call to Worship

José Lopez

People of God,
look about and see the faces of those we know and love—
**neighbors and friends, sisters and brothers—
a community of kindred hearts.**

People of God,
look about and see the faces of those we hardly know—
**strangers, sojourners, forgotten friends,
the ones who need an outstretched hand.**

People of God,
look about and see all the images of God assembled here.

**In me, in you, in each of us,
God's spirit shines for all to see.**

People of God, come. Let us worship together.

+Hymn

“Hear the Songs of Thanks We Raise”

DIX

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1. Hear the songs of thanks we raise, God of earth and space and star.

*Hear our voices blend in praise Who you were and who you are:
God of power, God of grace, You have richly blessed this place.*

*2. Here a welcome waits for all, Food for body, mind and soul
Talk and laughter fill each hall, Thought and silence have their role:
God of mercy, God of grace, You have richly blessed this place.*

*3. Men and women, girls and boys, Meet new cultures, friends, and art,
Sing your praises, share life's joys, Find a language, heart to heart:
God of wonder, God of grace, You have richly blessed this place.*

*4. Open spaces, open doors, Open windows, open minds,
Open air where bird-song soars, Open people of all kinds:
God of beauty, God of grace, You have richly blessed this place.*

*5. Past and future meet each day, Church's heritage and dream.
Love is still the clearest way; Justice, still the central theme:
God of history, God of grace, You still richly bless this place.*

Prayer of Confession

Loving God, we claim our place in your family, but we question if there is room for everyone. We fail to welcome and honor one another as we should...and as You do. Heal sibling rivalry, and open our hearts toward one another.

Silent Prayer

Words of Assurance

God does not hold our sins against us. We are welcomed into God's household.

Through faith in Jesus Christ, we grow into our calling as your children. Alleluia! Amen.

Response Hymn #284 "Holy Spirit, Come to Us"

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*Holy Spirit, come to us;
kindle in us the fire of your love.
Holy Spirit, come to us.
Holy Spirit, come to us. (sing twice)*

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

Scripture Reading

Psalm 133

+ Gospel Reading

Matthew 12:46-48

Time with Children

Jen Riddle

(Children under 5 may go to the nursery. Children K-6th are to stay in the service.)

Sermon

“Family Ties”

Rev. Janet Lowery

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

+ Hymn 735

“Great Creator God, You Call Us”

REGENT SQUARE

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1. Great Creator God, you call us Through the church to do your will.
Stewards of both past and promise, May we each our work fulfill,
Building up in faith and nurture Christ's own mission, lively still.

2. Out of all our varied stories May we weave a single tale,
Here confessing sin and discord, Times we stumble, times we fail.
Yet, forgiven, cleansed, refashioned, In Christ's strength shall we prevail.

3. Christ still calls to peace and justice, Health and wholeness, love and
grace.

We are partners in that mission for this time and in this place.
O God, grant us sense and courage In the daily tasks we face.

4. Without vision, people perish, Without challenge, drift and die.
Give us then the tools of daring And the clarity of eye
For creating in the present Visions far and wide and high.

Moment for Mission

Faith in Action Sunday

*Doug Wray and
Colleen Herrick*

Offertory

“Make Me a Channel of Your Peace”

Lexi Schneider, Soprano

+ Doxology 609 “Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”

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*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Christ, all creatures high and low, Alleluia, Alleluia!
Praise God in Jesus fully known:
Creator, Word, and Spirit one.
Alleluia! (repeat 5 times)*

+ Prayer of Dedication

Prayers of the People and Lord’s Prayer (see Hymnal pg. 35)

*Feel free to start the prayer with “Our Father”, “Mother”,
“Creator”, “Holy One” as the Spirit leads you.*

GOING IN GOD’S NAME

+ Hymn

“These Hills and Valleys Long Ago”

FINLANDIA

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1. Into these hills and valleys long ago
Came pioneers of faith with vision clear
Of farms and towns and neighbors living so
That village, home, and church might flourish here.
God grant such vision now to us, we pray,
To make their dreams our own in this new day.

2. Today we pray for ministries of caring:
For teaching children gracious words of truth;
For helping all to know the joy of sharing
Time, talents, all; for work with age and youth;
For worship binding all the church in one;
For deeds and smiles that help God’s will be done.

3. Move us with confidence toward that tomorrow
For which we dare to hope through Christ the Lord,
When peace and joy shall conquer human sorrow
And plow-shares vanquish gun and bomb and sword.

So make us one humanity, and then
Teach us to sing a grand and sure “Amen!”

Charge and Benediction

Postlude

“Allegro Maestoso from Sonata II”

Felix Mendelssohn

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join us for:

FAITH IN ACTION DAY!

Help us turn our worship into work, both inside our building and beyond!

Project Options:

- ✓ Prayer as Work
- ✓ Cooking Crew
- ✓ Wood We Share
- ✓ Letter Writing
- ✓ Care Packages & Delivery
- ✓ Various Yard Work Projects
- ✓ Building Beds for Sweet Dreams



July 14



Registration
and more
info here:



Register by
July 10!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome to worship! We are glad you are here and we are worshipping together. Please ask ushers for information about our nursery, large-print bulletins, hearing-aid assists, or current newsletters. Please sign the *Friendship Registration* pads and share your contact information, especially if you are worshipping here for the first time.

We strive toward the use of **inclusive language** in our church as it pertains to people and to God.

Restrooms are located in the Loggia/Franklin St. glass door entrance, Laws Room across from the kitchen (all-gender, handicap-accessible restroom), and the balcony of the Laws Room. **Wheelchairs** are available, please ask an usher if you need one.

We live stream our services. If you prefer not to appear in the streaming, please sit in the back six pews.

THANK YOU to our liturgist, José Lopez, and Lexi Scheider for her anthem.

Pastor Felipe will be out of the office for General Assembly and then vacation from June 29-July 13. For pastoral emergencies, please contact Rev. Richard Safford by contacting the church office.

AFE Sunday Morning

No Fellowship and education activities for adults after Sunday morning worship today.

August 11: First AFE session after worship following summer break!

Children & Youth News

Nursery is open this week!

Kids church is off for the summer, but the nursery is open for our youngest worshippers.

Pre-K and Younger:

Parents: Each child needs a new Registration/Emergency Form for the 2023-2024 school year. Please accompany your child to the Nursery and fill out a form before leaving them in our care. When picking up your children, please be sure to sign them out. Thank you!

9:15-10:30am The Nursery is open all morning for our youngest in the family. Parents are welcome to drop off kids beginning at 9:15am, or keep them with you during worship, where we welcome the presence and sounds of children.

10:30-10:45am Joyful Noise in the Nursery.

10:45am Childcare continues in the Gym. Please sign children out before leaving.

Children (Kindergarten-6th Grade):

Parents: Each child needs a new registration form for the 2024-2025 school year. Forms are available from volunteers as you sign your child out, on the bulletin board between the kitchen and church office, and on the church website. Thank you!

9:30-10:30am Worship in the Sanctuary with family and friends. Worship Bags with activities and toys are located by the Franklin Street entrances to the sanctuary.

Youth (Grades 7-12):

9:30-10:30am Worship in the Sanctuary with family and friends

Announcements



The graphic features a red banner at the top with the text "Bicentennial Calendar Highlights" in a black, cursive font. To the right is a white box with "200 YEARS 1824-2024" in blue and black, and "FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH COLUMBUS" below it. The background is light green with confetti. Below the banner are five event entries, each with a date in a colored oval and a description in a light blue rounded rectangle. The events are: July 21 (Ice Cream Social), August 4 (Columbus Mandolin Orchestra Concert), Sept 1 (FPC History book), Sept 15 (Ray Hass' hymn and photo), and Nov 17 (Flute & Harpsicord Concert). There are also colorful streamers and balloons on the right side.

Bicentennial Calendar Highlights

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JULY 21 Ice Cream Social from 10:30–11:30 am in FPC parking lot

AUGUST 4 Columbus Mandolin Orchestra Concert at 3 pm in Sanctuary

SEPT 1 FPC History book available for purchase as hard or soft copy or e-book

SEPT 15 Ray Hass' commissioned Bicentennial hymn sung in service
Photo taken of everyone outside following church service
Community-wide celebration at Donner Shelter house from 2–4 pm

NOV 17 Flute & Harpsicord Concert – 3 pm in Laws Room

Our Whole Lives (OWL) Grades 7-9

OWL for grades 7-9, offered every other year, will be starting in August. There are a few openings left. If interested, please contact Sunny Currier or the church office. OWL is offered as a part of our youth programming. Grounded in a holistic view of sexuality, OWL provides medically accurate facts about anatomy, human development and sexual health. OWL puts sexuality in the context of values and personal responsibility, supports healthy decision making, and strengthens interpersonal and healthy relationship skills such as consent and communication. The OWL values are self-worth, sexual health, responsibility, justice, and inclusivity. These skills and values help prepare and empower youth to make healthy choices, in spite of sexualized media messages, peer pressure, and misinformation.



JULY 21



10:30-11:30 AM

Celebrate
**NATIONAL
ICE CREAM
DAY!**

**COME AND CELEBRATE
FIRST PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH'S
200TH ANNIVERSARY!**

FREE

**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
PARKING LOT
512 7TH STREET**



Check us out on the web at www.fpccolumbus.org Join our Facebook groups by going to “First Presbyterian Church Columbus Indiana” and “First Pres Columbus Prayer Page” (click on the button that says “Join group”).



You can now find us on Instagram at [first.pres.columbus.in](https://www.instagram.com/first.pres.columbus.in)

Church WiFi: FPC Guest, Password Guest123

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<http://bit.ly/4083IQw>

Ministers: The congregation of First Presbyterian Church

Staff:

Felipe Martinez, Pastor and Head of Staff's email is felipem@fpccolumbus.org. His extension is 223.

April Hemmerlein, FPC Preschool Director's email is aprilh@fpccolumbus.org.

Jen Riddle, Director of Children, Youth and Young Adults Ministries. Her email is jriddle@fpccolumbus.org or call the church office.

Jordan Lewis, Organist, can be reached via email at jordanl@fpccolumbus.org.

Jenny Heichelbech, Choir Director, can be reached at ext. 225 or via email at jennyh@fpccolumbus.org.

Brook Brown, Church Administrative Assistant, will be in the office Monday and Wednesday thru Friday from 9 am until 5 pm. Tuesday, from 9 am until 3 pm. Phone extension is 221 and email is brookb@fpccolumbus.org.

Missy Burton, Financial Administrative Assistant. Her email address is mburton@fpccolumbus.org or call the church office.

OFFICE HOURS are Monday & Wednesday - Friday **9:00 am - 5 pm** and Tuesday **9:00 am - 3 pm**, with the office closed from noon until 1 pm for lunch.

Want to sign up for the eblast? Email Brook Brown at brookb@fpccolumbus.org!

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