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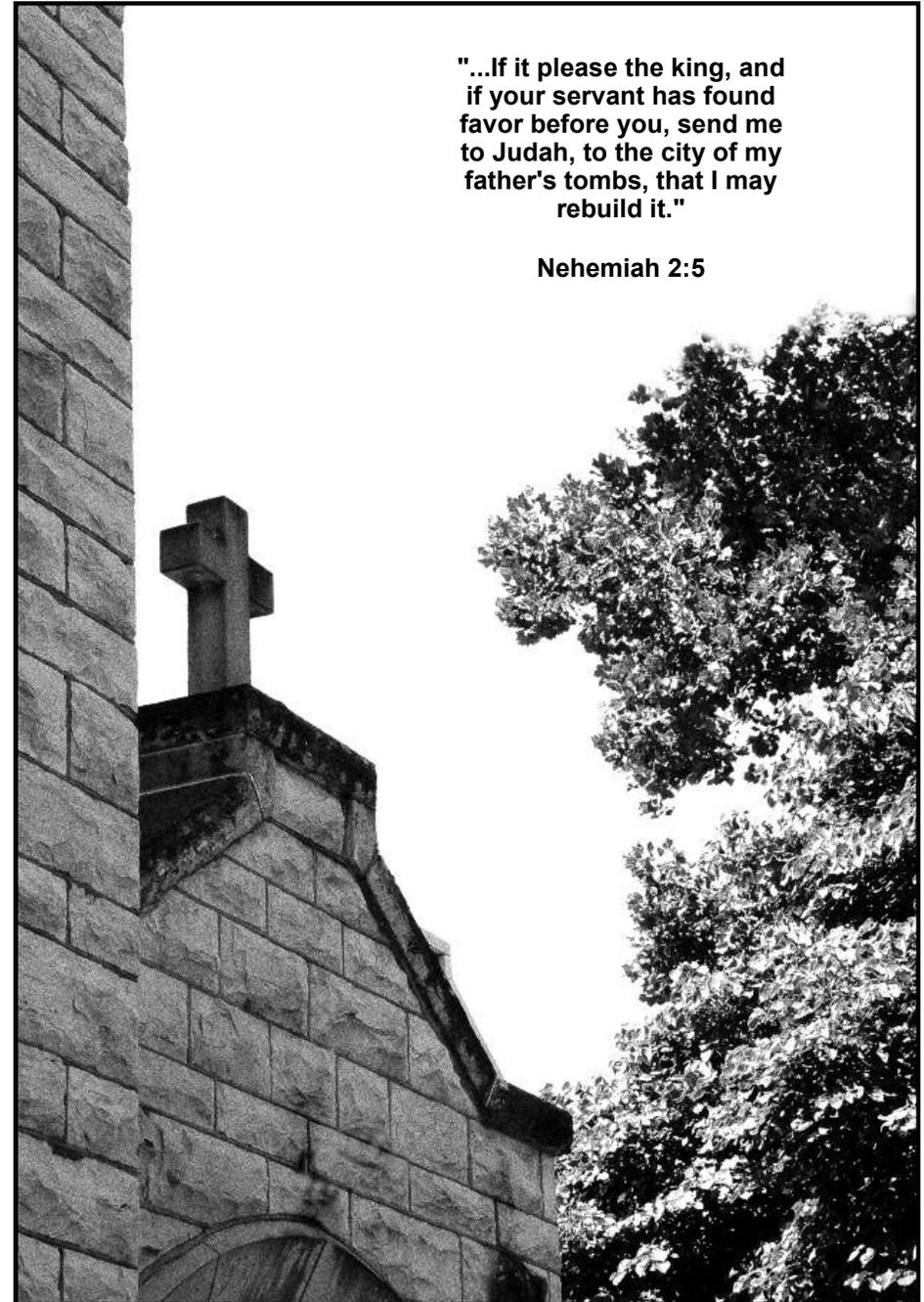
Monday-Thursday 8:30 a.m.— 4:30 p.m.

Friday 8:30 a.m.— 3:00 p.m.

Saturday Closed

Sunday 7:30 a.m.—12:30 p.m.

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"...If it please the king, and if your servant has found favor before you, send me to Judah, to the city of my father's tombs, that I may rebuild it."

Nehemiah 2:5

Welcome to Worship at First Presbyterian Church

We are grateful for your presence and invite you to participate in the ministries and missions of First Presbyterian!

During Today's Worship

For parents of young children: an excellent nursery and cry room are available. The nursery is on the lower level of the Children's Education wing and is available from 10:00-11:45 a.m. The cry room is located in the balcony. Please inquire of an usher.

During the time for Greeting and Announcements, please sign the pew information form, so the office may update any change in information and you can meet the people in your pew!

Personal hearing devices are available during the service for those in need. Please inquire of an usher.

Please silence all electronic devices when in the Sanctuary.

If You Are New to First Presbyterian

We invite you to stay for fellowship time following each of the services. Donuts and delicious Radina's coffee are served in Fisher Hall after the 9:15 a.m. service and in the Narthex after the 10:30 a.m. service. We would love the opportunity to meet you!

Adult Sunday School Classes are held during the 9:15 worship hour. The **Covenant Class**, led by Dean Armbrust, meets in the chapel. This class is following a six week study entitled "The Miracles of Jesus" by Jessica LaGrone. The **Questions Class**, led by **Steven Graham**, is studying a DVD series "The Great Courses: The Great World Religions." This class meets in the library.

Beginning on June 17, Children's Church will be held throughout the summer during the 10:30 a.m. worship hour. Children are invited to the front of the church for the Children's Moment and then dismissed back to spend worship with their parents. During the sermon, children will have the opportunity to meet in "**The Life**" classroom for Children's Church where they will have a short lesson before moving back to the sanctuary. *Sunday School and Choir will resume in August.*

Worship Bags with coloring pages and activities relating to the day's sermon and scripture readings are available at the **Kids' Corner** (across from the office). Please feel free to bring a bag into the sanctuary to help your children stay focused and engaged during the service. At the end of services, please place bags in the wooden box at the back of the sanctuary.

Sermon Notes

MISSION STATEMENT

To create disciples for Jesus Christ and to practice His teachings by loving and serving God and one another.

First Presbyterian Staff

R.C. McConnell, Senior Pastor
Kati Collins, Designated Associate Pastor
Dr. Reg Pittman, Chancel Choir Director
Dr. Susan Maxwell, Director of Children's Music Ministries
Shiloh Vick, Director of Children's Ministries
Taylor Roberts, Communications Director and Volunteer Coordinator

Sarah Diamond, Director of Operations and Development
Julie Haynes, Hospitality Coordinator
Mike Hedke, Director of Facilities Maintenance
Linda Couch, Wedding Coordinator
Emily Moormeier and Nic Beach, Youth Directors



Upcoming events at First Presbyterian

Vacation Bible School, June 4-8

The best week of the summer! See our website for details!

Heartland Youth Encounter(7th-12th grades), June 10-15

Location: Heartland Camp– Parkville, MO

Our COST: \$395 PER CAMPER (If you need more of a scholarship, please talk to Rev. Kati! Transportation provided.)

As part of the Heartland Youth Encounter, each camper will have the ability to choose from 4 activity tracks.

- * Leadership - This track is only for those who have completed 10th grade.
- * Service - Mission work in the Parkville and Kansas City community.
- * Creative - (painting, photography, music, drama, etc.)
- * Challenge (Ropes Course)

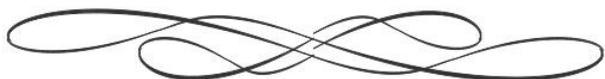
More information: <https://www.heartlandcamps.org/heartland-youth-encounter/>

Heartland Day Camp, July 9-13

Heartland Traveling Day Camp is coming back to First Presbyterian! All children who have completed K-6 can enjoy this weeklong day camp held right here at our church! \$60/camper. Watch our website, social media, and bulletins for more information and to register.

Music Camp, July 23-27 with Showcase on July 29

Join us for a week of musical fun! Kids will learn about both instrumental and vocal music through hands-on experience. This camp is led by Steve and Susan Maxwell, professors of music at Kansas State University. Watch for more information on our website, social media, newsletter, and bulletins!



Order of Worship

Prelude (*The prelude is a call to silent, personal preparation for the worship of God.*)

I Sing the Mighty Power of God.....Arr. Mark Hayes
Stephen Kucera, Organist

Introit (10:30)

God of Grace and God of Glory

Processional Hymn

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise.....The Hymnal, 12

*Unison Prayer of Confession.....Rev. Kati Collins

Leader: I said I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord.

People: And Thou forgave my sins.

All: In a world full of people and things competing for our attention, we confess, Lord, that we don't often pay enough attention to you. We seldom stand courageously in the face of commitment to the values of our faith. Appetite and ambition take us in directions that are not in line with your wishes. Let us find the beauty that awaits discovery; let us lift up the person in need, and let us place a greater faith in Your love and grace. Help us to follow Your Son's words" "Love one another as I have loved you." We ask this prayer in Your name. Amen.

*Assurance of Pardon

Time for Greeting and Announcements

Moment for Music.....Paul Dittmar (9:15)
Dr. Becky Klingler (10:30)

Offertory

Aria.....By Craig Phillips

Offering Response

Earth and All Stars!.....The Hymnal, 26

Scripture Lesson.....Nehemiah 1:1-6
Bruce McMillan (9:15)
Bob Brandt (10:30)

Anthem
The Gift of Love

Though I may speak with the bravest fire, and have the gift to all inspire,
And have not love; my words are vain, as sounding brass, and hopeless gain.

Though I may give all I possess, and striving so my love profess,
But not be giv'n by love within, the profit soon turns strangely thin.

Come, spirit come, our hearts control, our spirits long to be made whole.
Let inward love guide every deed.
By this we worship, we are freed.

Amen, Amen, Amen, Amen.

Scripture Lesson.....Nehemiah 1:7-11
Bruce McMillan (9:15)
Patsy Brandt (10:30)

Pastor's Prayer, The Lord's Prayer

Children's Sermon (10:30).....Rev. Kati Collins

Special Music
Better Than a Hallelujah.....The Church Ladies

Sermon
Nehemiah: Loyal Layman.....Rev. R.C. McConnell

*Recessional Hymn
God of the Sparrow.....The Hymnal, 22

Choral Benediction (10:30)
May the Peace of God.....Chancel Choir

Postlude
How Majestic Is Your Name.....Arr. Lani Smith

Greeting at the 9:15 a.m. worship service are **Ruth Chartier and Jan Gibbs**.
Greeting at the south entrance for the 10:30 a.m. service are **Shirley and Gene Moherman**.

The ushers at the 9:15 a.m. service are: **Al Welch, Doug Tippin, Nancy Habluetzel, and David West**. Ushering at the 10:30 a.m. service in **June** are: **Wayne & Sue Mountford, Mary VanderPol, Keith Vogts, Sherry & Fred Borck, and Brian & Rebecca Thomason**.

We have two beautiful floral arrangements today. The flowers on the left are from **John K. and Shirley James Shimp** in remembrance of their son, Daniel Charles Shimp (1964-2007). The flowers on the right are from **Carol Fager** in celebration of her marriage to Lee Fager: "It would have been 52 good years."

Today we recognize **Stephen Kucera's** five years of tremendous service as First Presbyterian's organist. Stephen has recently graduated from Kansas State University with a master of accountancy and will be moving to Bartlesville, Oklahoma where he will work for the Phillips 66 Corporation. A reception for Stephen, in combination with the **First Sunday Summer Brunch**, will be held in Fisher Hall immediately following the 10:30 a.m. worship service. Let us show our gratitude and appreciation for Stephen's outstanding contributions to the music ministry of our congregation.

Beginning today and followed by June 10th and June 24th, Rev. McConnell will preach a three-part sermon series on the book of Nehemiah.

- June 3--**"The Loyal Layman"
- June 10--**"Rebuild and Restore"
- June 17--**Father's Day--"Words Reveal Character"
- June 24--**"The Temptation of Exclusivity"

Joys and Concerns

Please keep **Owen Dick**, son of Jeremy Dick and Sarah Diamond, in your prayers. Owen underwent open heart surgery on June 1.

Deacons' Offering

The Deacons' Offering will be taken today after both worship services. The offering provides much needed help for the hungry and the homeless through programs that provide food and shelter. It is also used to provide financial assistance to humanitarian organizations in Manhattan that serve those in need of counseling, companionship, and emotional support.

We encourage you to help those in need.