

# SERVICE OF WORSHIP (8:30)

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## GATHERING MUSIC

*"I Give You My Heart"* ..... Morgan

## ORGAN PRAISE

*"Introduction to the Hymn of Praise"* .....Cooman  
Frank Shelton

## INTROIT

*"This Is the Day that the Lord Has Made"* .....DeJarnette  
The Sanctuary Choir, Steve Williams

\* **CALL TO WORSHIP** (based on Psalm 118) Katie Fowler

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**People: Let us rejoice and be glad in it!**

*Leader: We come proclaiming the greatness of our Creator God!*

**People: Our souls sing of the greatness of our Savior!**

\* **HYMN OF PRAISE, No. 51, vs. 1, 3, 4**

*"How Great Thou Art"*

Chris Lawson, Stephen Hock, Jim Crosbie, Trumpet

\* **DECLARATION OF GOOD NEWS**

\* **PRAYER OF ADORATION**

\*\***WELCOME AND GREETING**

\* **SONG OF PRAISE**

*"How Great Is Our God"*

Marj Killick, Piano; James Bristow, Guitar; Jason Crowe, Bass; Scott Barbier, Percussion

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**CALL TO CONFESSION**

**COMMUNITY PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**ASSURANCE OF GOD’S FORGIVENESS**

**\* HYMN OF RESPONSE, No. 82, vs. 1**

*“Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven”*

Praise, my soul, the King of Heaven,  
To His feet your tribute bring;  
Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven,  
Evermore His praises sing.  
Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Praise the everlasting King!

**AFFIRMATION OF FAITH The Apostles’ Creed** John Goodale

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sits on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from there He shall come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

**CHILDREN’S SERMON** Kathy Dobyans

**LIFE OF THE CONGREGATION**

**OFFERING OUR GIFTS**

*“Greet the Dawning”* ..... Sanborn

**SERMON**

**START: The Start Is the Hardest Part**  
**“Start Somewhere”** Mark 1:1-8 Tim McConnell

**MINISTRY OF MUSIC**

*"Right Now Is the Right Time"* ..... Mason  
Matt Holtzman, soloist

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE / THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**\* HYMN OF RESPONSE**

*"The Start of Something Good"*

The start of something good  
Begins through Christ today,  
Renewing all who would  
Embrace His glorious Way.

*Refrain:* Our God is good!  
With open heart, embrace the start  
Of something good!

We put our faith in Christ,      Our church is in His hands;  
Whose glory is revealed.      The work has just begun!  
Today, He brings new life –      Rejoicing in His plans,  
See all His powers yield!      Let's serve the Lord, as one.  
*Refrain*      *Refrain*

Words: James DeJarnette; tune: Darwall's 148

**\* CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE**

*"Paraphrase of the Hymn of Response"* .....Darke

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**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE / THE LORD’S PRAYER**

**HYMN OF PREPARATION, No. 466, vs. 1-4**

*“Take My Life and Let It Be”*

**SERMON**

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**PREPARE all GENERATIONS to IMPACT LIVES for CHRIST**

## **SERVICE OF WORSHIP (9:00 and 11:00)**

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### **GATHERING MUSIC**

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS** Tom Pipkin

### **CALL TO WORSHIP AND PRAYER**

**SONGS OF WORSHIP** Chris Cullins and Greg Hartnett

### **CALL TO CONFESSION**

### **DECLARATION OF GOD'S FORGIVENESS**

### **PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE / THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**\*CHILDREN'S SERMON** (11:00) Danny Shaw

### **SERMON**

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### **OFFERING OUR GIFTS**

### **BENEDICTION**

Our **Prayer Team** is available to pray for you up front following the service.

\* Children 3–Kindergarten are invited to **Bible Break** during the second half of the 11 a.m. service. Check your potty-trained children in at a check-in station if you'd like them to attend.

Pick up children in Room 236 promptly after the service concludes.

Children are always welcome in worship.

# HAPPENINGS

## **Congregational Meeting Sunday, January 28, Worship Center**

The Annual Meeting of the Congregation of First Presbyterian Church of Colorado Springs, Colorado, is called for Sunday, January 28, at 4:30 p.m. in the Worship Center.

By Order of the Session, Kim Lee, Clerk

Join us for our annual celebration of the life and ministry of First Pres. We will elect church officers for 2018, then celebrate with a worship service and look ahead to what God is calling First Pres to in the next year.

Nursery is provided with registration (birth – Kindergarten) and children are welcome. A reception will follow in the Plaza. See you on January 28!

## **Curious About Jesus?**

He's the reason we're here! Ministers are available after each service and would love to listen and answer your questions.

## **New to First Pres?**

We're so glad you're with us. Find greeters who can help you find your way into the life of the church after each worship service at Guest Central, just east of the Sanctuary, and near the Weber Street doors in the Plaza.

**Doorways Membership Classes:** Our next new member class will take place on Sunday mornings, February 11 through March 4. Register at [www.first-pres.org/membership](http://www.first-pres.org/membership).

## **For the Whole Church Family**

**Growing Together Wednesdays** classes meet at 3:45 and 6:15 on January 17, with dinner at 4:45. Caterer: Arby's. View courses and register today at [first-pres.org/gtw](http://first-pres.org/gtw).

**Retirement Reception for Trish Bibler**, today, 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in the Sheldon Jackson Room. Trish has served with love, and she is retiring after a 47-year career at First Pres. Come celebrate Trish at this drop-in reception.

## **Ready to Serve?**

Thursday morning Nursery volunteers needed. Join us at 9 a.m. Thursdays to rock babies, play with toddlers or teach 3- and 4-year-olds! Please contact Beth Morrison at [bmorrison@first-pres.org](mailto:bmorrison@first-pres.org).

## **Adults | 884-6117**

Life Groups: Ready to take a step in the New Year and find your smaller circle of people at First Pres? A new wave of Life Groups will begin during Lent (mid-February through March). Sign up at [www.first-pres.org/lifegroups](http://www.first-pres.org/lifegroups).

## **Men | 884-6119 | [first-pres.org/men](http://first-pres.org/men)**

Men's Winter Retreat: February 16-18, 2018, at Sky Ranch Horn Creek, Westcliffe, CO. Jim Singleton will be the speaker. Cost: \$155. Register at [www.first-pres.org/mensretreat](http://www.first-pres.org/mensretreat).

Tuesday Morning Bible Study – Tuesdays, 6:15 to 7:30 a.m. Register at [www.first-pres.org/men](http://www.first-pres.org/men)

## **Women | 884-6119 | [first-pres.org/women](http://first-pres.org/women)**

WOW Bible Study starts Tuesday, January 16, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. We will study Kirkie Morrissey's book,



*Where Are You, God? Questions of the Heart.* Cost is \$30. Register at [www.first-pres.org/women](http://www.first-pres.org/women).

**Students | 884-6220 | [first-pres.org/students](http://first-pres.org/students)**

High School meets Sunday morning and night. 5th-8th graders meet Sunday morning and Wednesday night.

Winter Camp registration is open for 5th-12th graders. Camp will be February 16-18 at Ponderosa Camp in Larkspur, CO. Cost is \$199. Register at [first-pres.org/students](http://first-pres.org/students).

**Children | 884-6126 | [first-pres.org/children](http://first-pres.org/children)**

On Sundays, preschoolers meet on the 2nd floor at 10 a.m.; K-4th graders meet on the 3rd floor at 10 a.m.

**Nursery | 884-6139 | [first-pres.org/nursery](http://first-pres.org/nursery)**

Nursery is available during all worship services and many midweek events.

**Mission Engagement | 884-6233 | [first-pres.org/missions](http://first-pres.org/missions)**

The refugee women's sewing group needs large pieces of cotton and cotton-polyester fabric in

bright colors. About three yards makes one piece of clothing. Fabric can be brought to the Mission Engagement office. The next gathering will be Tuesday, February 13, 3-5 p.m., and volunteers are welcome.

**Caring Ministries | 884-6145 | [first-pres.org/care](http://first-pres.org/care)**

Are you hurting? The Stephen Ministry can connect you in a one-to-one caring relationship with a trained person who can help you. Contact Caring Ministries to be connected with a Stephen Minister.

For those who have survived cancer or have been cancer caregivers and are interested in supporting cancer victims, CanCare Informational Meetings will be held January 28, February 4 and February 11, in the Sanctuary Board Room from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. Questions? Contact Emily Jones at 641-6900.

**Work at First Pres | 884-6190 | [first-pres.org/jobs](http://first-pres.org/jobs)**

Get-Set Van Driver, part-time

## WEEKLY PRAYER FOCUS

**Mission Emphasis:** Pray for Andrea Tepley with Mission Training International. MTI provides training for cross-culture ministers of the Gospel as they face the cultural challenges of ministry. Pray for insight for Andrea and her colleagues as they assist candidates in learning about themselves and the ministries that await them.

**Local Church:** Gateway Presbyterian Church

**Pray for those in hospitals or short-term rehab:**

Health Care Resort  
Ann Thomas

## Gifts to Sanctuary Flower Fund

*In Memory of:*

James Henry Stevens by John and Gail Stevens and family  
Clark Newman by Kathryn Trapp and family  
Max E. Young and Sean Alan Soares by Toni Miller, Steve Young, Andy Soares and their families  
Chuck Cunningham by Dana and Karen Lowry  
My son, Paul Franklin Holloman, by Ginny Holloman

## IN MEMORIAM

Mr. John Ettenhofer - 1/4/18

Information on those who have gone to be with the Lord may be found at [www.first-pres.org/memorials](http://www.first-pres.org/memorials).