SERVICE OF WORSHIP (September 10 - 8:30)

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2 Timothy 3:16

GATHERING MUSIC "Speak, O Lord"
ORGAN PRAISE "Introduction to the Hymn of Praise"
INTROIT "When Morning Gilds the Skies"
* CALL TO WORSHIP (based on Lamentations 3) Jennifer Holz
Leader: May Jesus Christ be praised! People: His compassions never fail. Leader: They are new every morning! People: Be this our eternal song: may Jesus Christ be praised!
* HYMN OF PRAISE, No. 111
"When Morning Gilds the Skies" (vs. 1, 3, 4)
David Zuercher, Mark Israel, Tim Baird, Trumpet
DECLARATION OF GOOD NEWS
PRAYER OF ADORATION
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* SONG OF PRAISE "Thy Word"
Marj Killick, Piano; James Bristow, Guitar; Marc Neihof, Bass; Scott Barbier, Percussion

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COMMUNITY PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Almighty and most merciful Father; we have erred, and strayed from Your ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against Your holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done; and we have done those things which we ought not to have done; and there is no health in us. But You, O Lord, have mercy upon us, miserable offenders. Spare them, O God, which confess their faults. Restore them that are penitent; according to Your promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesus our Lord. And grant, O most merciful Father, for His sake; that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life, to the glory of Your Holy Name. Amen.

PRAYER OF PERSONAL CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S FORGIVENESS

* RESPONSE

* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH The Apostles' Creed Eunice McGarrahan

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 Dobyns

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OFFERING OUR GIFTS

"I'm Goin' to Sing"......Shaw/Parker

SERMON

FIRST THINGS FIRST

"First Authority" 2 Timothy 3:12-17 John Goodale

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE/THE LORD'S PRAYER

* HYMN OF RESPONSE

"Commit to Keep God's Word!"

Commit to keep God's Word! Embrace its clarity. No longer be deterred from God's authority.

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He's shown us what is good – Obey the Living Word!

Complete the noble race; in Christ, be resolute! Rejoice in Him whose grace and word are absolute.

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Words: James DeJarnette; Tune: Darwall's 148th

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POSTLUDE

"Paraphrase of the Hymn of Response"...... Willan

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2 Timothy 3:16

GATHERING MUSIC

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Tim McConnell

CALL TO WORSHIP AND PRAYER

SONGS OF WORSHIP

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Heavenly Father, You have loved us with an everlasting love, but we have gone our own way and broken Your laws. We are sorry for our sins and turn away from them. For the sake of Your Son who died for us, forgive us, cleanse us and change us. By Your Holy Spirit, enable us to live for You, and to please You more and more; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE / THE LORD'S PRAYER

CHILDREN'S SERMON (*11:00) Candice Barry

SERMON

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BENEDICTION

* Children 3 – Kindergarten can join us for **Bible Break** during the 11:00 a.m. service. Check your potty-trained children in at a check-in station if you'd like them to head upstairs during the second half of the service. Pick up children in Room 236 promptly after the service concludes. Children are always welcome in worship.

Stephen Ministers are available to pray for you up front following the service.

SERVICE OF WORSHIP (September 10 - 6:30 p.m.)

2 TIMOTHY 3:16

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REFLECTION

"The modern world detests authority but worships relevance. Our Christian conviction is that the Bible has both authority and relevance, and that the secret of both is Jesus Christ."

— John Stott

What good news do you sense the Lord saying to you tonight?



What is the Lord inviting you into?

MOVEMENTS OF WORSHIP WORSHIP IN SONG | ANNOUNCEMENTS | SCRIPTURE READING OFFERING | SERMON | COMMUNION | PRAYER | SENDING

[•] We're glad you're here! Visit first-pres.org/sundaynight to sign in and let us know you're with us.

HAPPENINGS

Congregational Meeting

Thursday, September 28 Worship Center

A Special Meeting of the Congregation of First Presbyterian Church of Colorado Springs, CO, is called for Thursday, September 28, at 6:30 p.m. in the Worship Center for the purpose of extending the Call to Associate Pastor for Family Ministries and amending church bylaws.

By Order of the Session, Kim Lee, Clerk

New to First Pres?

We're so glad you're here! Join us after each worship service at Guest Central, just east of the Sanctuary. Greeters are also available to answer questions near the Weber Street doors in the Plaza.

Curious About Jesus?

Ministers are available after each service and would love to listen and answer your questions.

Alpha runs Wednesdays through October 25 at 6:30 p.m. at The Commons, 332 N. Tejon St. Invite a friend who has questions about faith! Questions? Contact Sarah at sarah_ferris@sbcglobal.net; to RSVP: www.alphadowntowncos.com.

For the Whole Church Family

GTW Menu for September 13: Louie's pizza and salad bar. \$8 adults; \$4 children 12 and under. www.first-pres.org/gtw.

Ready to Serve? | first-pres.org/volunteer Rise and Shine is looking for tutors who are willing to be trained as well as children who are behind in reading (grades 2-6). Tuesday evenings 6:30 to 7:30 p.m., beginning September 12. The program is free. Questions? Call Roseann at 884-6128.

Do you love baby hugs? Volunteer in the nursery during MOPS on Thursdays from 9 to 11:30 a.m. Contact Beth at bmorrison@first-pres.org.

Visual artists of all ages are invited to participate in creating work to support the Advent season. Please join us in Room 204 from 1 to 2:30 p.m., Thursday, September 14, to hear more!

Missions | 884-6233 | first-pres.org/missions CityServe Weekend is September 29 through October 1. Sign up at first-pres.org/cityserve.

Men | 884-6119 | first-pres.org/men

17th Annual Golf Classic, Saturday, October 21, 12 p.m. start at Kissing Camels Golf Course. Cost: \$85 includes dinner. www.first-pres.org/golf.

Men's Tuesday Morning Bible Study, Tuesdays at 6:15 a.m. in the Aspen Room at Weber Street Center. There is no cost. Register: www.first-pres.org/men.

Stay-at-Home Dads Small Group – Thursdays, 9 to 10 a.m., beginning September 14. Childcare is available. **www.first-pres.org/SAHD**.

Women | 884-6119 | first-pres.org/women

Women of the Word (WOW) Bible Study begins September 12 at 9:30 a.m. in the Worship Center.

MOPS begins Thursday, September 14, at 9 a.m. in the Worship Center. Register at www.first-pres.org/mops.

Prime Time | 884-6145 | first-pres.org/primetime

Prime Time Faith Lesson, Thursday, September 21, Room 431, 9:30 to 11 a.m. Mateen Elass speaking. Refreshments provided. RSVP by Sept. 19 at 884-6142.

Students | 884-6220 | first-pres.org/studentsHigh School meets Sunday morning and Sunday
night. Middle School meets Sunday morning and
Wednesday night.

Parents – Join us today at 10 a.m. in the Cedar Room for our annual parents' meeting. Meet the staff, hear our vision and learn what is happening this year in Student Ministries.

7th – 12th graders – Join us for a free concert, Pure Rebellion, at the Switchbacks Stadium on September 16. first-pres.org/purerebellion.

Children | 884-6126 | 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. Children's programming is also offered on Wednesday nights. See **first-pres.org/gtw.**

Nursery | 884-6139 | first-pres.org/nursery

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

Caring Ministries | 884-6145 | first-pres.org/care Both of our fall Care Workshops are excellent opportunities to invite a friend who is hurting.

Grief Workshop begins September 11. If you are grieving the loss of a loved one, no matter how long ago, this workshop is for you. Sign up at **first-pres. org/grief**. Brochures in racks.

Divorce Recovery Workshop began September 6. Sign up at **first-pres.org/drw**. This Wednesday is the last opportunity to join this class.

Work at First Pres | 884-6190 | first-pres.org/jobs

A/V Technician (weekends), part-time; Get-Set Van Driver, split shift; HR Generalist, full-time; Night Shift Custodian, full-time; Nursery Caregiver, part-time; First Pres Preschool Teacher, part-time; Receptionist (weekends), part-time; Worship Leader, full-time.

WEEKLY PRAYER FOCUS

Mission Emphasis: Hope and Home is one of the largest, most dynamic child placement agencies in Colorado and it started right here at First Pres. Today they provide short- and long-term care to children in crisis with over 100 families across the Front Range. Especially pray that sufficient funding will be provided for this important work.

Local Church: Springs Community Church

Pray for those in hospitals or short-term rehab:

Penrose Mrs. Barbara Fatjo Mrs. Mary Collins

Center at Centennial Mr. Leo Nassimbene Mr. Bill Hodson St. Francis Medical Center Mr. Steven Alexander Mrs. Joan Hazard

Life Care Center Mr. Jack Warnes Gifts to
Sanctuary Flower Fund
In Memory of:

Ruth L. Jenkins by Sue Hayward & Family Sandy Brown by Jim & Kang Lee Brown Patricia L. Puryear and Mr. & Mrs. S.G. Puryear by Gar & Susan Puryear Ric Bacon by M.D. & Jan Bacon Larry McDermed by his Family

IN MEMORIAM

Ms. Mary Ann Walker - 8/29/17 Mrs. Homer Martin - 8/30/17

Information on those who have gone to be with the Lord may be found at www.first-pres.org/memorials.