

July 14, 2019 – 10 am Worship Service
Preacher: Rev. Raymond Hylton
Scripture: Ephesians 5:21-33 (New Testament p. 187)
Title: How to Have a Loving Marriage

July 21, 2019 – 10 am Worship Service
Preacher: Rev. Henry Coates
Scripture: Ephesians 6:1-4 (New Testament p. 187)
Title: How to Have a Loving Home

Listen to Sunday Sermons on the FPCE website or via the “First Presbyterian Church of Evanston” iTunes podcast. Sermons are usually uploaded by Tuesday evenings.

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Highlights

The Deacons’ annual Hot Dog Social will take place this morning on the front lawn (weather permitting) after the 10 am service. All are invited to come enjoy this time of fellowship and family fun!

Come join us for a campfire in the FPCE parking lot this evening from 6 to 8 pm (weather permitting)! The event is sponsored by FPCE Youth, but all are invited to enjoy a campfire and roast s’mores! Bring your own chair to sit on.

Gather with us for an all-church cookout on Sunday, July 21, at 4 pm in Dawes Park alongside the Lake. Fun for all ages, and our First Friends guests will be joining us! Please bring a salad, a dessert, or family-friendly beverage to share. There will be a brief vespers service at 4:30 pm and food will be served at 5 pm. If you have a grill you can share to use, please contact Pastor Henry at hcoates@firstpresevanston.org.

Registration for FPCE’s Vacation Bible School is now open! This year’s session will be held August 5 through 9, 9-11:45 am. For details and to register, visit the Connect page of the FPCE website or firstpresevanston.org/vbs/.

Worth Noting

We welcome for the sacrament of baptism this morning, Gracie and Sarah Hu, daughters of Jixun Hu and Qin Zhou.

Support the youth mission trip by donating snacks! Stop by fellowship time this Sunday and next Sunday, July 21 to sign up to donate snacks for the mission trip. All donations need to be dropped off to Pastor Amanda by Friday, July 26.

Support this year’s Vacation Bible School by donating supplies. We are in need of: six-pack soda plastic ring holders (intact), old blankets or sheets in dark colors (these will not be returned). We would also like to borrow any pop-up canopy tents (please label them with your name so we can return them).

The FPCE Deacons offer their thanks for the quick and generous response to our annual Back-to-School Backpacks program. All students’ names & lists have been taken! Those who have taken children’s names should remember to get all supplies back to the church office by Sunday, July 28. They should be sealed shut in a bag or box with the child’s name and number written on it. There’s no need to buy backpacks, as Evanston’s Ice House Gallery has once again stepped up and provided them all. We offer a special thanks to them, and, again, to all those who signed up to take part in spreading hope and joy to the backpack recipients.



First Pres at a Glance

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN EVANSTON

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Mission Prayer
Please pray for our mission partner, the International Fellowship of Evangelical Students, and for the fruits of their quadrennial World Assembly in South Africa this past week. Pray for God to guide them as they wrestle with unexpected changes in their leadership. Pray, specifically, for wisdom for their new interim general secretary, who will be announced soon. Ask, too, that God would raise up student leaders around the world who would be filled with the Holy Spirit, empowering them to equip others to spread the Gospel among the world's young people.

We have reserved two tables of 10 each at the Bright Stars Bethlehem 15th anniversary gala dinner at the Chicago Cultural Center on Sunday, September 29 at 5 pm. Bright Stars is a First Presbyterian partner, and houses many ministries including Dar al Kalima University of Arts and Culture. Featured speakers are Marc Lamont Hill and Rev. Dr. Mitri Raheb. Tickets are \$200 each. A few scholarships are available. Please contact Caryl Weinberg at cweinberg@firstpresevanston.org to reserve a space.

<http://www.firstpresevanston.org/missions/>
<http://www.firstpresevanston.org/serving/>

Clothes Closet seeking summer garb

Summer's here and the Deacons' Closet has need for outdoor togs, especially men's jeans, chinos, and shoes. Larger-sized women's clothing is in short supply, and we always have a need for gently used sheets/towels, backpacks and roller bags. Thank you from your Deacons. May your gifts be a blessing to many!

Prayer in the Parlor

The Parlor on the second floor is open each Wednesday for prayer and meditation from 9 am to 9 pm. All are welcome to come and spend time in prayer and praise in the space set aside for a holy time with God.

Vacation Bible School Volunteer meeting Monday, July 15. All VBS volunteers are asked to attend a planning meeting at 7 pm in the Dining Room. We will discuss this year's theme, each programmatic area, and safety guidelines.

All Children and families are invited to the Evanston Starlight Concert Tuesday, July 16, at Brummell Park. Come join your FPCE friends as we listen to a free concert. A variety of family-friendly activities begin at 6, before the concert. Bring a picnic dinner.

<http://www.firstpresevanston.org/children/>

Stephen Ministry

For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them. - Ephesians 2:10

Might you consider becoming a Stephen Minister? This three-year commitment may include shepherding one or several individuals who are going through a rough patch or any of life's transitions. There is training on listening and responding to people who request a Stephen Minister; a class is scheduled for fall. There is also opportunity to deepen your own personal faith as you walk along side each person who receives your care. Stephen Ministry applications are available at the church desk. Applications are due August 1. September 7 is the kickoff for Stephen Ministry training. Training begins Monday evening, September 9. Interested? Call RuthAnn Ostrowski at 312-613-0644.

All middle school and high school youth are invited for a movie night Wednesday, July 17, 6-8 pm in the basement Youth Lounge. Come cool off in the FPCE air conditioning while we watch a movie together!

The final youth mission trip meeting before we leave will be held Sunday, July 21, at 11:30 am. All mission trip participants and parents are required to attend our final trip meeting. We will go over departure details, the packing list and final questions.

All middle school and high school youth are invited to volunteer for VBS. Rising 7th-12th graders are invited to relive their younger days and support our youngest disciples through helping with Vacation Bible school. Please email Pastor Amanda to sign up. VBS is August 5-9. Volunteers are needed from 9 am to Noon each day.

<http://www.firstpresevanston.org/youth/>

Flat Jesus Project continues

Traveling this summer? Take Jesus with you! We're in the midst of a summer activity called the Flat Jesus Project. Be sure to take pictures of flat Jesus hanging out with you and your family. Flat Jesus loves to go camping, play at the park, read a book or listen to the symphony! Send pictures of you and Flat Jesus to Pastor Amanda agolbek@firstpresevanston.org or tag them with #fpceflatjesus on Facebook and Instagram. The purpose of the project is to help us to remember to take Jesus with us wherever we go. Copies of Flat Jesus can be found on the website's Connect page, in the back of the Sanctuary, and at the Children's and Youth information boards.

Family Open Gym - Thursdays, 4-7 pm, Roy Hall
Open for parents and their children to come run around, shoot some baskets, play some games. No need to RSVP; just show up and have a great time!

A women's basketball pick-up game is held at 7:30 pm on the third Thursday of each month in Roy Hall. All skill levels and abilities are welcome! Reach out to Kathy Grant, kgrant@depaul.edu with any questions.

<http://www.firstpresevanston.org/young-adults/>

Hunger Walk set for September 7

You can help support Souper Saturday. Save the date and join us – Saturday morning, September 7th, Jackson Park for the Hunger Walk (sponsored by Greater Chicago Food Depository) We receive contributions for every walker who participates. More details (transportation from First Pres parking lot and times) to follow. Please direct question to Kris Economos 847-475-0226 or kriseconomos@yahoo.com.

Member Login Offers Access to FPCE info

Members and giving non-members: did you know that you can get on-line access to the church directory, the church calendar, and your giving records? Simply go to the First Pres website (www.firstpresevanston.org) and click on "Member Access" to get instructions. You can also pick up a hard copy at the front desk.

Employment at FPCE

First Presbyterian Church of Evanston is looking to fill the position of Worship Band Director (part-time). For the full job description and how to apply, please go to <http://www.firstpresevanston.org/employment>.