

June 25 Sermon Notes

10 a.m. Worship Service

Preacher: Rev. Dr. Raymond Hylton

Title: Fathers and their decisions

Scripture: Psalm 78: 1-20
(Old Testament p. 546)

Big Idea: Nothing is impossible with God. Human unbelief and stubbornness cannot impede God's power to do miracles.

Next Week

10 a.m. Worship Service

Preacher: Rev. Henry Coates

Title: The Compassionate Foreigner

Scripture: Luke 10:25-37

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Highlights

Lemonade on the Lawn takes place today after the service. Come join us for fellowship time out on the front lawn by Chicago Avenue. Roy Hall will be used in case of inclement weather.

Join us to honor the memory of Andrew Forbes by attending the closing celebration of the Palestinian Art Exhibit and launch of the Andrew Forbes Memorial Scholarship today after Lemonade on the Lawn. There will be light refreshments and a short program. All will be upstairs in the dining room and hallway. Matted photographs will be available for sale with proceeds dedicated to both the photographer and scholarships at Dar al Kalima University for the Arts in Bethlehem.

Join us in prayer! Next Wednesday's Prayer Gathering will focus on prayers for healing: physical, spiritual and emotional. We invite those needing prayer as well as those who wish to lift up the concerns of their friends and family to join us at 7 pm in the Parlor.

Your nominating committee values your recommendations for Elder, Deacon and Trustee. For a brief description of these offices, pick up a referral form from the literature rack or the front desk. The term of service for each of these offices is three years. The election of candidates is October 22, 2017. Send your recommendations to fpce nominate@gmail.com.

Worth Noting

We offer our heartfelt sympathy and prayers to Tony Brown, for the passing of his brother, Lloyd Brown, who passed away on May 29.

We offer our heartfelt sympathy and prayers to Dan and Meghan Dietrich, for the passing of Meghan's mother, Antoinette "Nettie" McMonagle, who passed away on June 15.

We offer our heartfelt sympathy and prayers to Margaret Ingram, for the passing of her father, Gordon L. Ingram, who passed away on May 5.

Even though the current school year is not yet over for some, the Deacons are already gearing up for the fall and our annual Backpack Project. We buy the backpacks and ask you to fill them! Starting today and running through July 9, visit our table at Lemonade on the Lawn after church and sign up to support a local needy student. We will supply the lists of items and all the info you need. Questions? Contact Peg Forbes at teacherpeg@sbcglobal.net.

Book Club will be meeting 1:30-3 pm on Tuesday, July 18, in the Parlor. We will be reading *A Gentleman in Moscow* by Amor Towles. It's the story of Count Alexander Ilyich Rostov, a Russian aristocrat sentenced to house arrest for his association with a poem with revolutionary overtones. While imprisoned during the onset of Communism, he witnesses the changes in government and society. All are welcome!



Missions

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Pray for Our

Mission Partner

Pray for our mission partner, Souper Saturday at FPCE, listed on pages 102 and 103 of *52 Weeks of Prayer for Missions*. Please pray that our Soup Kitchen guests will be blessed with God's grace and peace, and that we offer His kindness and caring to them.

A Syrian refugee family being assisted by the FPCE First Friends and the Women's Ministry is welcoming their third child this summer. They are in great need of the following new or gently used items (unisex colors preferred-white, green, yellow): a crib, sheets and blankets, an infant car seat, an infant stroller, baby clothes, newborn diapers and wipes. They also have a 2-year-old daughter who is a size 3 and wears size 5 diapers and a 7-year-old son who wears size 8 clothes. If you are able to help in any way, please contact Kim Langlois at aklanglois@gmail.com.

<http://www.firstpresevanston.org/serve/in-the-world/>

Save the Date

Mom's R us is having a potluck dinner on Thursday, June 29, 6:30 pm, at the home of Mary Wyers, 2671 N. Burling Street in Chicago (Lincoln Park area). We will have a carpool leaving the church parking lot at 6 pm on that day. Moms, come and fellowship with us! Contact Patty Bastian at RWBstian@aol.com if you have questions.

The Women's Ministry at will be hosting a Ladies Tea September 30. It's a mini retreat for women and youth to be refreshed and encouraged. The theme is "Joy in the Journey". Watch for more updates of this event.

Children and Families

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Volunteer with us at Vacation Bible School! We are looking for adults and teens who would like to serve with our classroom groups or in our activity stations the week of July 24-28. From caring for babies to playing games outside to teaching Bible lessons, we have a variety of fun ways you can get involved and serve the children at First Pres. Many volunteers join us every day from 9-11:45 am, but we are also open to volunteers being involved on a day-to-day basis. For more information on how to get involved, contact Karen McLeod (karen.mcleod@att.net).

Vacation Bible School registration is now open online! Join us at the Maker Fun Factory as we discover that we were created by God and built for a purpose. We'll meet at church July 24-28, from 9-11:45 am, to learn Bible stories, play games, create projects, and learn how God wants us to be involved in our world. Children who will enter 3-year-old preschool through 6th grade in the fall of 2017 are invited to participate. Learn more and register online through our website at <http://www.firstpresevanston.org/events/event-registration/>.

Families are invited to join us for a weekend Family Camp, August 4-6, at Stronghold Camp in Oregon, IL. Our weekend will include games, crafts, swimming, campfires, and fellowship in the beauty of God's creation. Camp fees include lodging (tent or retreat center), food, activities, and programs for all ages. Contact Kristin Mueller for a registration form.

Scholarships are available for all of our summer programs and camps. Contact Kristin Mueller for an application.

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

Employment Opportunity

FPCE is looking to fill the following job opening:

Full-time Senior Custodian (Hours 2:30-10:30 pm)

Job descriptions are posted on the First Pres website at <http://www.firstpresevanston.org/about-us/employment>.

Youth

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Rent a pyg has arrived! Do you need help with odd jobs? Yard work, dog walking, cleaning, painting, organizing your office? Our high school students traveling on this summer's mission trip are each trying to raise \$150 toward the expenses for the trip. If you are interested in hiring a youth, contact Liz ASAP. You will be put on a list of available partners. Thank you!

Thank you to everyone who has participated in our fundraising for the Youth Mission Trip to this point. We have currently raised \$17,136.75 toward our goal of \$20,000 (86%). If you are still interested in giving, contact Liz Ribeiro. **There are a few silent auction items waiting to be retrieved.** Winners have been contacted via email and should coordinate with Liz Ribeiro to pick-up your items.

Great Escape is here! The camp will take place July 10 through 15! This camp is for rising 6th graders through graduating 8th graders! Great Escape is a sleepaway camp in Greenlake, WI, for Middle Schoolers. Registration forms can be found online and on the children's and youth table.

The PYGS' 2017 Mission Trip is set for July 29 through August 5. Incoming 9th through graduating 12th graders are invited to join us on a civil rights focused trip to Wetumpka, Alabama. There are a few spots remaining. Registration forms are available online and on the children's and youth table.

NUBS (6th-8th Grade) & PYGS (High School)
NUBS & PYGS weekly gatherings are finished for this school year and will resume in the fall. We will have events throughout the summer. Please be sure to check your inbox and the website for details.

More details about Youth events can be found in our weekly email. Text YOUTHGROUP to 42828 to subscribe!

<http://www.firstpresevanston.org/learn/students/>

Important Web Links

Events:
<http://www.firstpresevanston.org/events/>

Resources:
<http://www.firstpresevanston.org/resources/>

Small Groups for Adults:
<http://www.firstpresevanston.org/learn/adults/small-groups-at-fpce/>

Young Adults/Families

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Family Open Gym

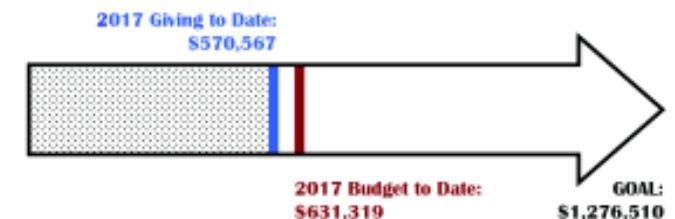
Thursdays, 4-7 pm, Roy Hall
Open for parents and their children to come run around, shoot some baskets, play some games. No need to RSVP; just show up and have a great time!

Like Trivia? Come on out and join Pastor Henry and other Young Adults for Trivia Night at Bar Louie, every Thursday night at 8!

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

Stewardship

Following is the giving revenue received through June 21:



Thank you for your support. Please contact our Business Manager, Melody Henrie, if unforeseen circumstances will prevent you from meeting your 2017 pledge commitment.