June 10 Sermon Notes

10 a.m. Worship Service

Preacher: Rev. Raymond Hylton

Scripture: Acts 18:1-17 (New Testament pp. 131-132)

Title: The Power of Partnership

Next Week

10 a.m. Worship Service - June 17 - Father's Day

Guest Preacher: Dr. Dennis Fledderjohann

Scripture: Acts 16:25-34 (New Testament pp. 129-130)

Title: Ministering In A Jail

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Highlights

Come join us after the service for Lemonade on the Lawn! We'll enjoy fellowship and refreshments out on the front lawn (weather permitting). All are welcome!

Wednesday Prayer Gathering will take place 7 pm, June 13, in the Parlor. All are welcome!

Uncovering your inner theologian. All are invited to hear speakers from the Langham Partnership next Sunday, June 17, at 9 am in the Parlor. Do you have beliefs about God, humanity, sin and salvation? Then you're a theologian! These beliefs impact the way that you live, lead, teach, and parent. This event is part of our efforts to provide opportunity for spiritual formation in our leaders and congregation. Join us and be empowered to uncover your own inner theologian, and be equipped to live and lead in a way that is consistent with that theology.

Be sure to look for the Back-to-School Backpacks sign-up station this morning at the Deacons table at Lemonade on the Lawn. Yes, school's just letting out for summer, but the Deacons will be signing people up to help us fill backpacks with school supplies for needy schoolchildren on two Sundays, June 10 and 17. Full supply lists and instruction sheets will be provided for each child. Please help us get these young students off to a good start in the new school year ahead.

FPCE Car Magnets for sale at the Front Desk! You can show your FPCE pride by purchasing an FPCE car magnet for \$5. Proceeds go to FPCE's children's and youth ministries.

Worth Noting

We are grateful for the faithful service of Terri Jo Englund and her family, Dave, Dmitry, and Dion. The Englund family will be moving to Colorado and this is their last Sunday here at FPCE. We offer prayers for them as we give thanks for all the ways they have been involved in the life of our church.

The Children's wing of our education building is only open to children and the adults who accompany them. The Evanston Police Department has encouraged us to keep our children's wing closed to the general public. Congregational members are encouraged to begin using the bathrooms either downstairs (youth lounge level) or upstairs (Roy Hall level) on Sunday mornings.

The Parish Nurse Book Club will meet again Tuesday, June 26, from 1:30-3 in the Parlor (or Room 102 if the elevator is still being repaired). We are reading *Snow Falling on Cedars* by David Guterson. All are welcome to join us!

150th Anniversary Weekend Highlights

All of FPCE is invited to the upcoming 150th Anniversary Dinner on Saturday, July 28 at 6 pm at the DoubleTree Hotel in Skokie. Noted author and speaker Philip Yancey joins us for this festive evening celebrating 150 years of God's Grace. Tickets are \$65 and a limited amount of scholarships are available. A prompt reservation is essential: if you have not received a paper invitation or if you need a scholarship, please contact Caryl Weinberg at cweinberg@firstpresevanston.org to update your mailing address and reserve your seat.

Other Anniversary Events include:

Friday, **July 27 - Concert of Praise** at 7 pm (free) with reception to follow. **Sunday**, **July 29 - Worship Service** at 10 am with fellowship and brunch open to all.

Sunday, July 29 - Campfire Time at 6:30 pm in the parking lot. July 1- Sept. 30 - Special Art Exhibit of members' artwork.

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Pray for Our Mission Partners

Please pray for Rev. Dr. Mitri Raheb and the ministries of Diyar Consortium and Dar Al-Kalima college. DIYAR is one of the largest employers in Bethlehem. They have ever expanding ministries and opportunities to influence the city. Pray for them as they seek "life in abundance" for all those living in Bethlehem and beyond. Please pray for Dar Al-Kalima College as they provide crucial education and vocational training for people in the unstable city of Palestine.

First Friends and First Presbyterian Youth will connect with the world around soccer. From June 15 to July 15, several billion people on the planet will follow 32 countries competing for the FIFA football World Cup. First Friends and our Youth are inviting our Syrian friends and all those who are interested to a live viewing of one of the games on Sunday July 1, from 12:45 pm to 3 pm at FPCE. Snacks and sandwiches will be provided. To sign up to help, please contact Caryl Weinberg or Kelly Levander. More details are coming soon!

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

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.

Children and Families

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Registration for Church Camp at Phantom Ranch in Mukwonago, WI, is open! Children currently in 2nd through 6th grade are invited to join us from June 17-22. We sleep in cabins staffed by at least two counselors and spend the days horseback riding, playing games, learning Bible stories, and sharing life together. Brochures are available at the Children's Ministry table, and scholarships for some or all of the camp fees of \$425 are available. Register online by June 1 at http://www.firstpresevanston.org/learn/children/first-kids-camps/

Registration for Vacation Bible School at First Pres is open! Children age 3 through current 5th grade students are invited to join us at church August 6-10 from 9-11:45 am each day. Our theme this year is "Shipwrecked," where kids discover that Jesus rescues them! Kids participate in memorable Bible-learning activities, sing catchy songs, play teamwork-building games, make and devour yummy treats, experience one-of-a-kind Bible adventures, collect Bible Memory Buddies to remind them of God's love, and test out Sciency-Fun Gizmos they'll take home and play with all summer long. Register today at http://www.firstpresevanston.org/learn/children/first-kids-camps/

Join us for a weekend of Family Camp at Stronghold Camp in Oregon, IL, from July 6-8! Parents, children, grandparents, aunts, uncles and all the cousins are invited for a weekend of games, crafts, swimming, campfires, and fellowship in the beauty of God's creation. Stay in a beautiful retreat building or bring a tent and stay at the Stronghold Family Campground area. Camp fees include lodging, food, activities, and programs for ages 3-103 (no charge for infants and toddlers)! For more information, contact kmueller@firstpresevanston.org.

Want to know what's happening in our lessons each Sunday morning? We've begun an email to let you know the lesson that each age group is learning. Contact eferguson @ firstpresevanston.org for details.

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

Save the date for Hunger Walk

You can help support Souper Saturday. Save the date and join us, Saturday morning, September 8, 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.

Youth and Families

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All 7th and 8th-grade youth are invited to Middle school Mania at Phantom Ranch Church Camp June 17-22. Register Now! This year we are trying something new and crafting a special middle school experience at Church Camp. All children and youth will be at camp at the same time but the middle school youth will have special activities, chapel and campfire time. They may even go on an overnight camping and rock climbing excursion! The cost is \$425. Last-minute registrations are still being accepted. Scholarships are available. Contact Pastor Amanda for registration materials.

The FPCE Youth summer calendar is now available online at http://www.firstpresevanston.org/youth-summer-calendar-2018/ and in print on the youth table across from the library.

Campfire June 24 6:30-8:30 pm in the FPCE Parking Lot. All 6th-12th grade youth are invited to come and enjoy making smores, hanging with friends, and even singing a few camp songs.

Popsicles in the Park June 27, 3-5 pm! All 6th-12th grade youth are invited to come hang out with Amanda, enjoy a popsicle and fellowship with outdoor yard games at Raymond Park.

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

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

Drivers needed for meals ministry

Bringing Meals to the Homebound: Meals at Home is a wonderful ministry helping the elderly, those recovering from hospital stays etc have meals delivered to their homes. Needed: one person to partner for delivery in northeast Evanston on the fourth Tuesday of each month, 11:15 am-12:45 pm, beginning June 19. Call Jane Pranga, First Pres coordinator, at 773-274-8447 or email jpranga000@ ameritech.net.

Young Adults and Families

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Join Pastor Henry and other FPCE Young Adults for Trivia Night at World of Beer 1601 Sherman Ave, Evanston, every Wednesday night at 7:30 pm!

Pastor Henry's intergenerational book group has begun, but it's not too late to join! Our first book is Dostoevsky's *Crime and Punishment*. All are welcome to join in the reading and discussion. The next meeting will be this Monday, June 11, at 7 pm. We meet at Cupitol Coffee & Eatery, 812 Grove Street, Evanston. Please come having read up to Part 1, Chapters 5, 6, and 7.

Grab lunch with Pastor Henry after any of our worship services this summer! Just reach out to him before or after church.

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!

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

FPCE survey snapshot

In February, FPCE took a survey of those in attendance on Sunday mornings in the Sanctuary.

These results are by no means a complete description of who we are at FPCE, but they help us take a "snapshot" of where we're at and what we can do to be a church to Evanston and the surrounding area.

FPCE Demographics - Church Service

About 3 in 5 respondents say they serve at least monthly at the church (57%). This number is consistent across gender and race, but older generations are consistently more likely to serve than younger ones (27% of those 21 and under compared to 76% of those over 72).

Electronic copies of our recent demographic survey are available upon e-mail request to Janice Dobschuetz at jdobschuetz@firstpresevanston.org.