

9 am and 11:30 am Worship Services - October 28

Preacher: Rev. Raymond Hylton

Scripture: Matthew 28:18-19; Mark 16:15; Luke 24:46-48; John 20:21 (*New Testament pp. 32, 52, 85, and 109*)

Title: God's Mission, Our Mission

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OUR TEACHING SERIES CONTINUES — Hope for Our Troubled Times: The prayers and songs of Revelation

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Scripture: Revelation 11:15-18

Title: Our God Reigns

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

Senior Varsity will meet on Thursday, November 1. The topic is: Weaving Fictional Characters from Real Life presented by Len Joy. Len Joy and his wife Suzanne Sawada are longtime First Pres members. He has authored three published books including his latest, "Letting Go", a collection of his short fiction. Len will cover his writing journey, and how he used events and people from his life experiences to create fictional worlds and characters. Registration will begin at 10:30 am, with the presentation starting at 11 am, and lunch being served at noon (cost: \$5 for lunch). Please register by October 30 at the front desk by calling 847-864-1472. All are welcome, especially seniors.

A Service in Memory of All Souls—an annual tradition at FPCE—will be held Saturday, November 3, in Walker Chapel from 9 to 10 am. Those interested in having a loved one memorialized during the service are invited to add those names to the Memorial list at the front desk. All names collected will be read during the memorial service. This is the only way we are collecting names. The deadline for submitting names at the front desk is today!

The next New Members Class led by Pastor Ray Hylton will be a two-week session, taking place November 4 and 11 from 10:15 to 11:15 am. This is for all who are interested in becoming members at First Pres. Childcare is available upon request. For more info, or to sign up, please contact Janice at 847-864-1472 or at jdocschuetz@firstpresevanston.org.

Remember that next weekend marks the end of Daylight Saving's Time. Be sure to set your clocks back one hour before going to bed on Saturday night.

Worth Noting

We offer our heartfelt condolences to the family of Cary and Sherin Peters, on the passing of Cary's sister, Linda Peters, who died Thursday, October 18. Funeral services were held Saturday in Rosemont, IL.

The Youth Ministry will gladly take donations of leftover Halloween Candy! Drop off any leftover candy with Pastor Amanda. It will be used for college care packages, prizes and event goodie bags.

The Youth Ministry is seeking updated addresses for all our college students and college-age young adults. We will use this information to send care packages, cards and other reminders throughout the year, letting them know their church family is praying for them. Please email updated postal addresses and contact information to Pastor Amanda agolbek@firstpresevanston.org, or leave a note with the front desk.

Friends in Christ will be hosting its Fall Potluck Dinner on Monday, November 5, 6:30 pm, in the church dining room. Our speaker will be the Rev. Raymond Hylton, First Pres senior pastor. He will speak on "The Practice and Power of Gratitude." All are welcome to attend. Main dish and drinks will be provided. Please bring a side, salad, or dessert to share. RSVP to Bonnie Kath (bkath@comcast.net or 847-507-4146) by Thursday, November 1.

The FPCE Warming Center will begin its weekly operations November 12. First Pres is a member of the Evanston InterFaith Action group. We coordinate with other Evanston area churches during the winter season to provide a warm, safe and welcoming place for our homeless guests to rest. Starting Monday, November 12 and running through the end of March, the warming center will be open from 4-7 pm. Should you hear the call to support our help and would like additional information please contact Sherin Peters at 708-987-7278 or at spetersmcs@aol.com.



Missions

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Pray for Our

Mission Partners

Praise God for the launch of the Arabic Bible Commentary last week throughout the Middle East and North Africa! Pray it would get into the hands of Arabic speakers throughout that region that they would come to know our great and loving Lord. Pray, too, that God would raise up teachers and preachers who understand and can communicate the Word of God effectively.

On Thursday, November 8, Good News Partners is honoring First Presbyterian at their annual gala, “Benefit 41”. Seats are available thanks to generous gifts. Contact Kelly Levander at KLevander@firstpresevanston.org or call her at 847-864-1472 to reserve a seat!
See goodnewspartners.org for details of the event.

Volunteers will be needed the nights of January 27-February 9, 2019, to serve at the overnight shelter at First Presbyterian. If you have never received training before and are interested, attend any of the following one-hour sessions on: November 6, 7, 12, or 15 at various locations in Evanston. Contact Charlene Parris for details at c.parris@comcast.net.

Do you know a disabled refugee? If so encourage him/her to contact suzanne@syriancommunitynetwork.org for information on PRIDE, a UIC research study designed to assist disabled refugees find work. One need not be Syrian to apply.

<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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Christmas Eve Pageant Rehearsals begin Nov. 29. All children and youth 3 years old through high school are invited to participate in the 4:00 Christmas Eve pageant. Rehearsals will be Thursdays 5:15-6:00, Nov. 29-Dec. 20. Special dress rehearsal Sunday, Dec. 23. Contact Pastor Amanda or Bev Bolsen to let them know your child or youth is interested.

First Kids Choir meets each Thursday afternoon! Children in 4-year-old pre-K through 5th grade meet to sing from 4 to 4:45 pm. From 4:45 to 5:15 pm, children in 2nd through 5th grades ring chimes. During the rehearsal, the Dining Room and Gym are open for parent-supervised activity for siblings.

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

Angel Tree Sign-Up Starts November 4

Starting next week, November 4, “Angel” ornaments will be showing up on Angel Trees placed in the church Narthex and up in Roy Hall. Each Angel is named for a child whose parent(s) will be in prison during the Christmas season, unable to provide that child with a present. These Angels are popular picks in this church and tend to go fast, so be ready to pluck one (or more) off a Tree and brighten a child’s Christmas. Gifts need to be returned to FPCE by December 2. Working together with our Prison Ministry group, John Powell is heading up our Deacons’ effort, and will fill in details of the project with a Faith in Action talk during next Sunday’s worship services.

Clothes Closet Seeks Cold Weather Items

The Deacons’ Clothes Closet has need of your donations of cold weather items: Jeans (large sizes especially); winter shoes & boots; overcoats & jackets (larger sizes); warm socks; gloves & thick scarves; belts; towels; roller suitcases & duffel bags. Please find it in your heart to find a few of these gently-used winter “things” in your attic or closet this year. Drop-offs should be made by the front desk in the church office. Your Deacons thank you for looking and sharing.

Youth and Families

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High school Youth Group (PYGS) meets downstairs in the basement Youth Lounge from 4-6 pm on Sunday Afternoons. Today, we will be carving pumpkins, enjoying snacks, and doing a fall devotion. Come in costume, too! (Please bring an already cleaned out pumpkin. Extra pumpkins will be available.)

Middle School Youth Group (NUBS) meets each Friday, from 7-9 pm, on the top floor in the Middle School lounge. On Friday, November 2, we will be playing some games, enjoying snack and making joy jars for those going through a hard time.

Screenagers documentary showing and discussion Nov. 11, 4-7 pm

The documentary *Screenagers* reveals how tech time impacts kids’ development and offers solutions on how adults can empower kids to best navigate the digital world and find balance. All families, grandparents, youth, parents, teachers—and anyone else interested in guiding kids in their use of technology—are invited to this screening at 4 pm, November 11, followed by pizza and discussion in the Dining Room. Questions? Contact Pastor Amanda.

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

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

Young Adults and 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!

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/learn/adults/young-adults/>

Employment at FPCE

First Pres Evanston is seeking to fill the following employment opportunity:

Worship Band Director (Part Time)

Visit the employment page on the FPCE website for details.