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From the Pastor



Change is inevitable. Growth is not. So say church consultants, in all regions of our country, in both rural and urban settings. One of them, Alice Mann, puts it this way: “There is no growth without change, and there is no change without conflict.”

Ever wonder why that is? Why does change almost always generate such conflict? Habit, maybe. Inertia, or just being stuck, most definitely. But what about attachment? Emotional attachment to the way things are, and have been, either for some time, or at particularly meaningful moments in our lives. Holding on to the way things are then becomes a way of feeling connected to those meaningful moments, and all they represent.

Beyond acting in his early years, Clint Eastwood has distinguished himself as a director, most impressively in “Unforgiven,” which critics agree may be the finest Western ever made, as well as in a lesser-known film entitled “Gran Torino.”

In Gran Torino, Eastwood not only directs, he plays the main character, Walt Kowalski, an old Korean War Veteran, who after the war, worked in an auto assembly plant in Detroit. His prize possession is a 1972 Gran Torino, which he maintains in mint condition. Walt is a widower, who grieves the loss of his wife, and who, in his retirement, can’t stand the changes happening around him in his neighborhood. He is a racist, and he has nothing good to say to the Hmong families moving into the houses nearby, and next door.



When the teenage Hmong boy, Thao, who lives next door, is pressured by a local gang to steal Walt’s prize car, he fails, is caught, and is forced by his family to make amends by doing chores for Walt. At no point does Walt act happy about it, but as the film unfolds, we get to watch Walt develop a fond affection for Thao, his family, and especially Thao’s sassy older sister, Sue.

Against expectation, Walt begins to have a positive influence on Thao. He helps improve his sense of self-worth, helps him get a job, and supports his desire to have nothing to do with the neighborhood gang. We also discover with Walt that he has cancer, and the prognosis is terminal.

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Special Features

From the Pastor

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The crisis comes when the local gang attacks Thao's home, and assaults Sue. Both Thao and Walt are enraged. Thao wants to strike back, with the help of Walt's guns. But Walt won't let him. Just when it appears that Walt will take matters into his own hands, something completely unexpected happens. Walt does, indeed, go to confront the gang, but not to have a shootout. Instead, Walt sacrifices himself in such a way that the gang is easily implicated, and the neighborhood is rid of them.

How could a grumpy, grieving, old racist change to become Christ-like? By sacrificing himself in the light of his new attachments. Jesus said, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it." (Matthew 16:24-25)



g inevitable change can feel very much like grief, and one of the ways we console ourselves is by striving to maintain the way things have been so that we can remain connected to attachments that mean so much to us. But as long as we do that, we keep the door closed to the possibility of new life. The hard wisdom and promise of the Gospels is that new life is possible, but only if we are willing to die, to lay down our lives for the sake of Christ. There is no new life, until there is death.

In the next month, the ReVision team will present the vision and mission we have worked on together. It will present us with both the reality of the changes that have happened around us and within our fellowship, as well as with the possibility of new life. We will be faced with the choice to: (a) embrace it, which will mean changes and the death of some things to which we are deeply attached, or (b) delay in one way or another, or (c) even to reject it outright. The truth is death will be a part of each choice. So the choice we face is whether to make the death productive, by laying down our lives, our loves, or deep attachments, so that we can embrace the life God is ready to give back to us, with new loves and new attachments. The other choice is to watch the candle, and its light that we have loved, burn all the way down, and then out, end of story. That's one option. Many churches have made that choice. But that kind of death is not a Gospel death. That is a death brought on by refusing to allow God to be the author of our story. New life does not follow that death.

I invite you to join me in praying for wisdom, as well as for courage and trust. Pray for one another. Pray for our community. Pray, and the peace of God which passes all understanding, will calm our hearts and minds, so that we can discern together the way ahead.

—*Pastor David*

Fall Church Work Day!!



Come join the Building & Grounds Committee in our annual Fall Work Day **this Saturday, November %** **from 8:00 a.m. to Noon.** Members of the Korean Church and Boy Scout Troop 6 will work alongside

members of our congregation. We would appreciate an hour or two of your time that morning to:

- Rake and bag leaves (bring a garden cart to transport leaf bags if possible)
- Trim hedges in the parking lots (bring hedge trimmers if possible)
- Clean gutters (bring a step ladder if possible)
- Clean windows



We will also have an assortment of doughnuts, juice, and coffee in the Fellowship Hall.

Please donate paper yard waste bags. (In past years, we've used over 200 bags.)

Thanks in advance for your help in maintaining the church grounds and building.

—On behalf of the Building & Grounds Committee,
Eric Peterson

The Arc of Human History: Challenges to Sustainability

November 5, 11:00 a.m., Fellowship Hall

Extinction and Biodiversity in the Modern Era: Worrisome Trends and Practical Solutions



Jeffrey Brawn: *Professor and Department Head,
UI Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Sciences*

The rate at which our planet is losing species is unusually high and expected to increase. This talk will review current understanding of why and where we are losing species and, more importantly, what we can do about it. Whereas the challenges are daunting, there are opportunities to conserve biodiversity.

All Church Sunday School

November 12, Fellowship Hall

Everyone is invited to join together for a special all church Sunday school on Sunday, November 12, in the Fellowship Hall, following worship. Children and Youth Ministries will provide snacks and activities.

Upcoming Fun & Fellowship Event



Sunday, November 12 – Let's go out for lunch! Meet at **Golden Harbor Restaurant** (505 S Neil St, Champaign) **after church, at 12:15 p.m.** We will order delicious Chinese dishes to share, from the menu of over 1000 items. Estimated cost is \$10-\$15. Please

RSVP to the church office in advance, so that we can reserve enough tables.

Your friends are always warmly welcome for all events. And if cost is an obstacle to your participation, please let the church office know.

Seminar: Presbyterians in Cuba – Adventures in Faith

November 19, 11:00 a.m., Fellowship Hall



April 2017 - *Adventures in Faith: Exploring Havana in a 1950s Chevy*

Are Presbyterians in Cuba? YES, we have an Amazing Presence! Learn more on November 19. Following worship, Don and Nancy Uchtmann will describe their April 2017 mission trip to Havana. They will note the history of Presbyterians in Cuba, report on their experiences as part of First Pres Champaign's partnership with its sister church in Havana, and describe how such a trip can renew one's faith in the power of the Holy Spirit. Don and Nancy also will update us regarding the impact of Hurricane Irma on Cuba and our Cuban brothers and sisters in Christ. Don & Nancy's slides will show many "playful" moments within their Cuban mission adventure.

Adult Bible Study



Sundays at **8:15 a.m.** in Meeting Room B which is next to the church office on the main floor. We are currently studying the book of Second Peter.

Daylight Saving Time

We gain one hour on Sunday, November 5 at 2:00 a.m. Don't forget to set your clocks back an hour.



Church Family

In the Church Family

Kwame and Sandra Darfour-Oduro are delighted to announce the birth of their baby girl, born on June 18. More details to come.



With sadness we share the news that Karie Friedman passed away on September 12. (She was a member of FPCU in the 1980s).

With sadness we share the news that Ed Gordon passed away on Sunday, October 8. A memorial service was held on Thursday, October 12 in our church sanctuary. Please keep Beez and her family in your thoughts and prayers.



We share our love, sympathy, and prayers with Rosintan Panjaitan and Ari following the death of Rosintan's son and Ari's father Patar Tantular on October 13. A service was held on October 18 in our Chapel.

Malawi Student Sponsors

If you would like to send a letter back to your student, please have it to Lauren Smith by November 15 (or leave it in her mailbox). It is also time to consider sponsoring your student for another year. Please let Lauren know if you would like to do that by November 20. (Costs will be close to the same as last year.)

Church Office

Tracy Weddle will be taking a vacation day on November 10 (for her and Joshua's fifth wedding anniversary). Melissa Records will be substituting in the office that day.



The church office will be closed Thursday, November 23 and Friday, November 24 so the staff may enjoy the holiday. **Happy Thanksgiving!!** Tracy Weddle will be printing November 26 bulletins on Wednesday, November 22.

Welcome to the Choir's New Tenor Section Leader, Andrew Turner!

Andrew is from the Seattle, Washington area and is currently pursuing a Master's degree in Performance and Literature at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, where he is studying with professor Jerold Siena. His goal is to become an experienced performer and professor of music. We are very fortunate to have such a wonderful musician joining our choir!

New Church Directories

September reprint directories are available in the narthex. We have received and continue to expect changes. If you already picked up a first edition of the September 2017 directory, please pick up the half-sheet of updates we received since the first printing. The original AND reprint need these corrections/changes:

- remove Carol Jean Mussey from the directory
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Myrtle Shove Move and News

Myrtle Shove has moved to the town of Zionsville where her daughter lives (update your church directory):

The move occurred after Myrtle fell and broke her leg high near the hip. With hard work, Myrtle has managed to walk again using a walker. Myrtle enjoyed the cards and flowers received from church friends (for her 90th birthday May 14). See the note posted on the bulletin board for the full letter from Myrtle and her da



Christmas Events

Hanging of the Greens



Everyone is invited to help with the hanging of the greens on **Sunday, November 26 at 6:30 p.m.** as we prepare the sanctuary for the Advent season. Tasks range from putting candles into plastic candleholders for Christmas Eve, to helping untangle greenery, to climbing ladders while assembling the Christmas tree. In other words, we need lots of help from people of all ages!

Some work will include being on a ladder, but many tasks will be on ground level! Cocoa, tea and treats will be provided afterwards.

Questions: Alison Champion, abc@illinois.edu or 493-6025.

If conditions are icy or dangerous that evening, we will reschedule for the same time the next day, with an email reminder on November 27.

Christmas Luncheon

**Wednesday, December 13, 11:30 a.m.
in Fellowship Hall**



The luncheon will begin with entertainment provided by children from the Cooperative Nursery. Following lunch, Case Sprenkle will lead a carol sing-along from the piano. The Deacons will provide the meal. Everyone is welcome!

Please let us know if you are planning to come by notifying the office or by signing up on the sheet in the friendship pads. (The sign-up sheets will be available beginning mid-November.)



Boy Scout Troop 6 Christmas Greenery Sales



Thinking about a wreath to brighten your home for Christmas? Scouts from Troop 6 will be taking orders for wreaths and other greenery **in the Narthex after worship on Sunday, November 5.** If you miss that date, contact Jamie or Isaac Ellis before November 6 to place an order. Funds will be used to help defray costs for educational and camping activities and gear.

Time to Start Your Christmas Shopping?



PYC invites you to use the order form found on page 11 of this newsletter to purchase mix gifts for friends and family. We will again be offering Fair Trade organic coffees; purchase of Fair Trade coffee not only supports our youth but also small scale farmers.

Return the order form to the church office **by November 5** or e-mail your order to the church office. _____

Mixes will be available for pick up beginning November 19.

Thank you for supporting the youth of our church as they raise funds for local and global mission projects!!

Calling December Graduates



If you or a member of your family will be graduating in December, please send in name and information to the church office (office@firstpresurbana.org) as soon as possible so the proper recognition can take place.

Upcoming PYC Events

Sunday, November 5: PYC collaboration event with FPCU and McKinley. The event will be held at the home of Jane Cain, she is one of the other youth programs leaders. We will be doing a few outdoor games and a cookout, followed by a service project. The event will start at 4:00 p.m. and end around 6:00 p.m.



Sunday, November 12: All church Sunday school will take place in the Fellowship Hall following the service. We have snacks and activities. We are hoping that the youth will spread out amongst all the different tables!

Sunday, November 12: We will make mixes from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.



SATURDAY, November 18: We will assemble mixes. A time is not set and will be tailored to when the youth can help, the more help the better!

Sunday, November 19: Mixes will be distributed in the Fellowship Hall following the service.



Sunday, November 26: We have been asked to help with the hanging of the greens in the sanctuary beginning at 6:30 p.m. (See the announcement on page 3 for details.)

Sunday, December 10: PYC collaboration event. We are planning to meet at the mall for mall tag. More details for this event to follow.

Sunday, January 14: PYC collaboration event at our church. We are planning to do an overnight event then complete a service project the next day. Monday, January 15 is off of school for MLK Jr. Day.

—Robert Foelske, Youth Coordinator

Highlights of the October 17, 2017 Meeting of the Session

1. Pastor David has been asked to be a member of the Presbytery Committee on Ministries. This is a very important committee which oversees such activities as helping churches who are searching for a new pastor.
2. The 2017 budget is on track. Routine auditing is being done on a regular basis as required in our bylaws. The Stewardship campaign is underway.
3. The Korean Church has kindly offered financial assistance with ongoing facility improvements.
4. The Session gratefully received a very detailed report from the FURCOM committee. It outlined in great detail the current status of our physical facilities and recommendations for improvements. Further consideration of the recommendations will occur at the November Session meeting.
5. Fundraising was approved for the Children's and Youth Ministries Committee's annual holiday mix sale and for Boy Scout Troop 6's sale of Christmas greens.
6. The current Earth Care adult seminar series is going well.
7. Worship Committee is considering a new baptismal font bowl. Advent devotionals will be available again this year.
8. The Summer, 2018, Malawi trip is on track. Sponsors are needed for secondary school Malawi scholarships.
9. Fun and Fellowship activities and all church work day are on the calendar.



10. There is a need for more Sunday morning greeters.

If you have any questions or concerns, please ask any Session member. Their nametags are identified with a "Session" sticker.

—Don Greeley, Clerk of the Session

Church Facility

Church Facility Upgrades Coming

The Facility Update and Renewal Committee (FURcom) was established by Session in August, 2014 to review the church facility and recommend needed upgrades and improvements to “achieve the church’s mission both now and in the future.” After three years of deliberation and input from the congregation, FURcom has developed a set of recommendations for a variety of facility upgrades over the next five years. At its September meeting Session approved a number of projects to be undertaken in 2017. Look for these changes over the next several months:



- Fellowship Hall – the lower and middle walls are being repainted in preparation for installing sound-dampening acoustic tiles on the walls and lower ceiling. The blinds are being repaired and room

darkening shades will be installed in the windows at the back of the room. In addition an AV cart is being purchased for use in seminars.

- Office wing – new chairs are being purchased for Room A, selected spaces are being repainted, and the cabinets in the office are being repaired.
- Youth Center – new, stackable chairs are being purchased to supplement the soft seating already available and a small AV cart will be located near the projection equipment to facilitate presentations.

A comprehensive plan to renovate the chapel also was well-received by Session. Discussion of this project will continue over the next several months. Finally, Session approved FURcom’s recommendation that the committee be merged with Building & Grounds. While the two committees focus on different components of the church facilities the work of the two committees is interconnected. Merging the two groups will facilitate communication, coordination, prioritization and decision-making.

Many, many thanks to the members of FURcom and its subcommittees for their hard work over the last three years as well as to the many congregation members who provided suggestions and input to the committee.

Welcoming Bathrooms

Most of us don’t have to think twice about making a trip to the bathroom in public places. But for many people, going to the bathroom is a matter of deep thought, careful planning and real concern.

Almost 60 percent of transgender Americans have avoided using public restrooms for fear of confrontation, saying they have been harassed and assaulted. Many have even reported limiting food and water intake to avoid using a bathroom, according to a 2015 study by the National Center for Transgender Equality and reported by Reuters (U.S. Transgender People Harassed in Public Restrooms: Landmark Survey; Reuters December 7, 2016). To investigate reports of transgender people causing assaults to others in bathrooms, CNN reached out to 20 law enforcement agencies in states with anti-discrimination policies covering gender identity. None reported any bathroom assaults after the policies took effect. (3 Myths That Shape the Transgender Bathroom Debate; CNN.com, March 7, 2017)



With session approval, the Wellness Committee is facilitating changes to FPCU bathroom signs to more clearly welcome people of all gender identities. Single stalled restrooms will be labeled as “All-Gender”. Our multi-stalled restrooms will remain either Women’s or Men’s restrooms, with additional directions to our all-gender restrooms.

For an interesting, and Christian, take on transgender issues, please visit:

<https://baptistnews.com/article/seven-things-im-learning-about-transgender-persons>

With this small step, we can make a big difference in the comfort and security of our transgender siblings in Christ. We are excited to be implementing these important changes this fall. Please contact the Wellness Committee members (Cindy Ottemann, Shirley Walker, Nancy Morse) or any session member if you have questions or concerns.

New in the Church Library

Sacramental Learning

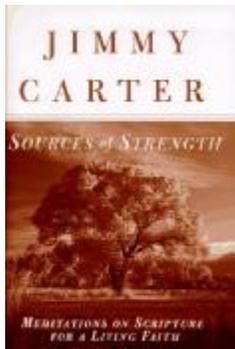
Association for Reformed & Liturgical Worship. *Invitation to Christ – Extended: a guide to sacramental practices at font and table.* Louisville, Ken., c2012.

“Enriching congregational life around font and table”—that is the aim of this publication of the Presbyterian Church, which our Session is currently reading. Its concise pages encourage us to reflect upon the sacraments of baptism and the Lord’s Supper, and how the church practices them. Sacramental practices and their meaning, the basis in Scripture, how sacraments have been practiced in history, and sacraments in the context of our changing society, are covered.

The Faith of Our Presidents

Carter, Jimmy. *Sources of strength: meditations on Scripture for a living faith.* N.Y.: Random House, c1997.

This book, given in memory of Ed Gordon by his family, is a companion to Carter’s *Living Faith*, which is also in our church library. These meditations are abbreviations of Bible lessons that Carter taught over the years. Carter’s wisdom and enthusiasm are contagious. In the introduction, he lists some funny quotes by students about the Bible, such as “Noah’s wife was called Joan of Ark.” How lucky those students were to have this teacher who could laugh with them and also lead them in the most serious lessons of faith and life.



– Ann Ricker



Food & More Program Request for November: Grits

Twice Is Nice Update



The October 4 *Twice Is Nice* sorting day was a success thanks to volunteers Delores Richardson, Iris Marcum, Mary Lou Bauer, Harold and Lois Guither, Nadja Altstetter, Camille Caldwell, and Dixie Jackson, and shop employees Melissa Records and Linda Larson. Kim Fraser and Pat Jensen hauled overstocks to USAgain and the Salvation Army.

The October 21 *Twice Is Nice* sorting day was a big success thanks to volunteers Delores Richardson, Mary Lou Bauer, Camille Caldwell, two volunteers from U. of I.’s Phi Delta Epsilon honorary society, and shop employees MaryE Yoemans and Melissa Records. MaryE Yoemans hauled overstocks to Salt & Light.

Many thanks to each of these volunteers. We invite YOU to continue the good work they have done: **Join us at the shop for our November sorting days: Wednesday, November 1 from Noon to 4:00 p.m. and Saturday, November 18 from 9:00 a.m. to Noon.**

Facing Racism Study



In 2016, the 222nd General Assembly approved a new churchwide antiracism policy: *Facing Racism: A Vision of the Intercultural Community.* Our denomination has also published six study guides which provide tools for empowering church communities to have important conversations about race and racism in relation to Christian faith.

Everybody is invited to join in a series of conversations, led by David Oliver-Holder, centered on these study guides. All materials will be provided and we’ll share some snacks. Our four remaining meetings will be **Sundays, November 12 and 19. We will meet from 5:30 to 7:00 p.m. in the church library.** If you wish to access the materials, they are available online at <https://facing-racism.pcusa.org/item/40835/>.

Volunteer Schedule

Sunday Assisting Schedule

	November 5	November 12	November 19	November 26 Christ the King
Worship Leader	Lauren Smith	Cindy Fraser	Susan Silver	Jamie Ellis
Head Usher	Andy Harden	John Dimit	Jason Harris	TBD
Ushers	Carol Scharlau Ed Scharlau Linda Brucker	Ann Burger Bob Burger Beth Chato	Lauren Smith Carl Caldwell Camille Caldwell	TBD
Greeter	Nancy Uchtmann	Sherrill Tittle	Barb Schleicher	TBD
Steward	Cindy Strehlow	TBD	TBD	Jamie Ellis
Coffee Maker	TBD	Children & Youth Ministries (All Church Sunday School)	TBD	TBD
Cup Washer	TBD		TBD	TBD
Flowers/ Communion	Communion Servers: Mary Muller Nani Baker Bob Burger Karen Mortensen Bill Hatch	Flowers: Shari Hall	Flowers: Cornucopia— Harden	Flowers: Strehlows

Consider yourself invited to join with others for the spiritual discipline of daily prayer

Keeping sacred time, or hallowing our days, has its roots in ancient Judaism. The disciples of Jesus continued the practice, especially in the mornings and evenings. John Calvin and other reformers gave renewed attention to daily prayer and taught and embodied it as a most valuable discipline for the life of faith. We find strength, solidarity and our faith deepened in praying with others.

Join us, then, on Thursdays at 12:15 p.m., in the Chapel for mid-day prayer.



Church Staff at the Wheelhouse Restaurant in St. Joseph, Illinois

November 2017



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>CL – Choir Loft CR – Choir Room CY – Green St. Courtyard DS – Downstairs</p> <p>MB – Meeting Rm B N – Narthex NO – Nurse's Office S – Sanctuary US – Upstairs YC – Youth Center</p>	<p>AA – Alcoholics Anonymous ACA – Adult Children of Alcoholics KC – Korean Church OA – Overeaters</p>		<p>1 Open Door Mail Date 6:00 AM KC (C) 12:00 PM Sorting Day at the Thrift Shop 1:00 PM Wilds (YC) 5:30 PM Deacons (L) 6:30 PM AA Group (YC) 7:30 PM Choir Reh. (CL)</p>	<p>2 6:00 AM KC Prayer (C) 9:00 AM Thrift Shop 12:15 PM Mid-day Prayer (C) 5:30 PM OA (L) 7:00 PM ACA (YC) 7:00 PM KC Praise (S) 7:00 PM Worship Com. (MA)</p>	<p>3 6:00 AM KC Prayer (C) 7:00 PM Korean Church Worship Service (S)</p>	<p>4 6:00 AM KC Prayer (C) 8:00 AM Fall Church Work Day (church grounds) 9:00 AM Thrift Shop 9:30 AM KLS (US, DS, MA) 11:00 AM OA (L)</p>
<p>5 Daylight Saving Time ends 8:15 AM Bible Study (MB) 9:15 AM Child Care for Infants and Toddlers (Downstairs Rooms 4 & 5) 9:30 AM Worship (S) After Worship Fellowship & Greenery Sales (N); Parish Nurse (NO); Children & Youth Sunday School (YC); Seminar: Sustainability (FH); 1:00 PM Korean Ch (S, DS, CR) 12(C) 1:30 PM Communion at Clark-Lindsey 4:00 PM PYC: Games, Cookout and Service Project (home of Jane Caine of McKinley)</p>	<p>6 6:00 AM KC Prayer (C) 11:00 AM OA (L) 6:30 PM Cub Scouts Pack 12 (FH) 8:00 PM AA (YC & 6)</p>	<p>7 6:00 AM KC Prayer (C) 9:00 AM Thrift Shop 7:00 PM Boy Scout Troop 6 (FH) 7:00 PM Worship Committee (MA)</p>	<p>8 6:00 AM KC Prayer (C) 1:00 PM Wilds (YC) 6:30 PM AA Group (YC) 7:30 PM Choir Rehearsal (CL)</p>	<p>9 6:00 AM KC Prayer (C) 9:00 AM Thrift Shop 12:15 PM Mid-day Prayer (C) 4:00 PM Faith Leaders Community Solar (L) 5:30 PM OA (L) 7:00 PM ACA (YC) 7:00 PM KC Praise (S) 7:00 PM Mission Com. (L)</p>	<p>10 6:00 AM KC Prayer (C) 7:00 PM Korean Church Worship Service (S)</p>	<p>11 6:00 AM KC Prayer (C) 9:00 AM Thrift Shop (607 W Elm) 9:30 AM Korean Language School (US, DS, MA) 11:00 AM OA (L)</p>
<p>12 8:15 AM Bible Study (MB) 9:15 AM Child Care for Infants and Toddlers (Downstairs Rooms 4 & 5) 9:30 AM Worship (S) After Worship Fellowship (N); Parish Nurse (NO); All-Church Sunday School (FH) 12:15 PM Out to Lunch (Golden Harbor) 1:00 PM Korean Ch (S, DS, CR) 12(C) 4:00-7:00 PM PYC Mixes Prep (FH) 5:30 PM Facing Racism Study (L)</p>	<p>13 6:00 AM KC Prayer (C) 11:00 AM OA (L) 6:30 PM Cub Scouts Pack 12 (FH) 8:00 PM AA (YC & 6)</p>	<p>14 6:00 AM KC Prayer (C) 9:00 AM Thrift Shop 6:00 PM Building & Grounds Committee (L) 7:00 PM Adult Ministries (MA) 7:00 PM Boy Scout Troop 6 (FH)</p>	<p>15 6:00 AM KC Prayer (C) 1:00 PM Wilds (YC) 6:30 PM Wednesday AA Group (YC) 7:30 PM Choir Rehearsal (CL)</p>	<p>16 6:00 AM KC Prayer (C) 9:00 AM Thrift Shop 12:15 PM Mid-day Prayer (C) 4:00 PM Wellness (MA) 5:30 PM OA (L) 7:00 PM ACA (YC) 7:00 PM Children & Youth Ministries (YC) 7:00 PM Fun & Fellowship Committee (MA) 7:00 PM KC Praise (S)</p>	<p>17 6:00 AM KC Prayer (C) 1:00 PM Budget & Finance (MA) 7:00 PM Korean Church Worship Service (S)</p>	<p>18 6:00 AM KC Prayer (C) 9:00 AM Thrift Shop Open & Sorting Day 9:30 AM Korean Lang. Sch. (US, DS, MA) 11:00 AM OA (L) Time TBD PYC Mixes Assembled</p>
<p>19 8:15 AM Bible Study (MB) 9:15 AM Child Care for Infants (Downstairs 4 & 5) 9:30 AM Worship (S) After Worship PYC Mixes Distributed; Fellowship Sunday School (NO); Children & Youth in Cuba—Adventures in Faith (FH) 1:00 PM Korean Ch (S, DS, CR) 12(C) 5:30 PM Facing Racism Study (L)</p>	<p>20 6:00 AM KC Prayer (C) 11:00 AM OA (L) 1:00 PM Food & More Set Up (FH, L) 8:00 PM AA (YC & 6)</p>	<p>21 6:00 AM KC Prayer (C) 9:00 AM Thrift Shop 9:00 AM Food and More Partnership Program (FH) 7:00 PM Boy Scout Troop 6 (FH) 7:00 PM Session (Room 3)</p>	<p>22 6:00 AM KC Prayer (C) 1:00 PM Wilds (YC) 6:30 PM AA Group (YC)</p>	<p>23 Thanksgiving Day -- Church Closed 6:00 AM KC Prayer (C) 5:30 PM OA (L) 7:00 PM ACA (YC)</p>	<p>24 Church Closed for Thanksgiving Holiday 6:00 AM KC Prayer (C) 7:00 PM Korean Church Worship Service (S)</p>	<p>25 6:00 AM KC Prayer (C) 9:00 AM "Twice is Nice" Thrift Shop (607 W Elm) 9:30 AM Korean Language School (US, DS, MA) 11:00 AM OA (L)</p>
<p>26 Christ the King Sunday 8:15 AM Bible Study (MB) 8:30 AM Proclamation Choir Reh. (CL) 9:15 AM Child Care for Infants & Toddlers (Downstairs Rms 4 & 5) 9:30 AM Worship (S) After Worship Fellowship (N); Parish Nurse (NO); Children & Youth SS (YC); Seminar (FH) 1:00 PM Korean Ch (S, DS, CR) 12(C) 6:30 PM Hanging of the Greens (S)</p>	<p>27 6:00 AM KC Prayer (C) 11:00 AM OA (L) 6:30 PM Cub Scouts Pack 12 (FH) 8:00 PM AA (YC & 6)</p>	<p>28 6:00 AM KC Prayer (C) 9:00 AM Thrift Shop 7:00 PM Boy Scout Troop 6 (FH)</p>	<p>29 6:00 AM KC Prayer (C) 1:00 PM Wilds (YC) 6:30 PM AA Group (YC) 7:30 PM Choir Rehearsal (CL)</p>	<p>30 6:00 AM KC Prayer (C) 9:00 AM Thrift Shop 12:15 PM Mid-day Prayer (C) 5:30 PM OA (L) 7:00 PM ACA (YC) 7:00 PM Korean Church Praise Team (S)</p>		

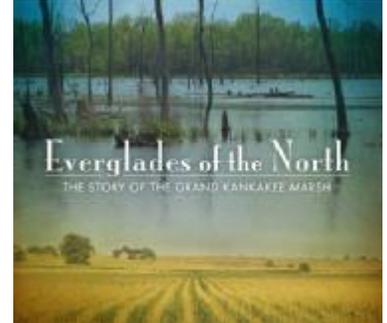


Film Screening of “Before the Flood”

A riveting account of the dramatic changes occurring around the world due to climate change. **Monday, November 13 at 7:00 p.m.** at the Channing Murray Foundation (1209 West Oregon St., Urbana). Film screening, food, and Q & A with Ann Burger, retired Presbyterian minister and activist. (Sponsored by Wesley United Methodist Church, Unitarian Universalist Church of Champaign-Urbana.)

Film “Everglades of the North: The Story of the Grand Kankakee Marsh”

The Grand Kankakee Marsh once covered nearly a million acres of Northern Illinois and Indiana, home to one of the highest concentrations of wildlife on the planet. For settlers, it was a rich source of fur, fish, fowl, and freshwater pearls. After the Civil War, that diversity was drained



away to gain a new treasure—fertile farmland. Discover its fascinating history at a screening of the film “Everglades of the North” on **Wednesday, November 8 at 7:30 p.m.** at **The Art Theater**, 126 W. Church St., Champaign, followed by a Q&A with those involved in making the film. Admission is \$8.50. Learn more about the film at its website: <http://www.kankakeemarsh.com/>

2017 PYC Mix Order Form

Orders Due November 5 – Delivery Available November 19

<i>Product</i>	<i>Price</i>	<i>Quantity</i>		<i>Total</i>
Cranberry Hootycreeks	\$7.00			
Old Fashioned Molasses Cookies	\$6.00			
Split Pea Soup	\$6.00			
Cranberry Almond Oatmeal Mix	\$6.00			
Heart Smart Berry Muffins	\$6.00			
Amaretto Cocoa	\$4.00			
Free Trade Coffees				
Organic Ethiopian 12 oz bag	\$10.00	# bean	# ground	
Organic Columbian 12 oz bag	\$10.00	# bean	# ground	
Organic French Roast 10 oz bag	\$10.00	# bean	# ground	
Organic Decaf Full City Roast 12 oz	\$10.00	# bean	# ground	

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OUR KEY MESSAGES

Welcome to our church family!

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Thanks to Carolyn Conrad and Eva Steger for preparing this Open Door for mailing.

Open Door Deadline: For inclusion in the next Open Door, items should be submitted by **Thursday, November 30** to office@firstpresurbana.org. The Open Door will be mailed on **Wednesday, December 6, 2017**.

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