

3rd Sunday after Epiphany

January 27, 2019

**Those who are able, please stand.*

WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

Silent Prayer of Preparation

This is the day you have made, Lord. Help us to rejoice in it and be glad! Remind us of the privileges we enjoy as your people; to come to you in these moments, to confess our sins, to receive forgiveness and give it, to pray and sing and listen, to renew our fainting spirits, to rest in all your promises. Open our eyes to see you. Open our ears to hear your Word. Visit us through your Holy Spirit and help us to celebrate our faith. Amen.

Prelude **Sweet Little Jesus Boy** R. MacGimsey

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship Psalm 19

Leader: The law of the Lord is perfect, reviving the soul;
All: the decrees of the Lord are sure, making wise the simple;
Leader: the precepts of the Lord are right, rejoicing the heart;
All: the commandment of the Lord is clear, enlightening the eyes;
Leader: the fear of the Lord is pure, enduring forever;
All: the ordinances of the Lord are true and righteous altogether.
Leader: Let us worship the Lord with joyful hearts.
All: Let the words of our mouths and the meditations of our hearts be acceptable to the Lord, our rock and redeemer.

***Hymn #420** **God of Grace and God of Glory**

***Prayer of Adoration and the Lord's Prayer** Hymnal, p. 16

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Almighty God, we confess how hard it is to be your people. You have called us to be the church, to continue the mission of Jesus Christ to our lonely and confused world. Yet we acknowledge that we are often more apathetic than active, isolated than involved, callous than compassionate, obstinate than obedient, legalistic than loving. Have mercy upon us and forgive our sins. Remove all the obstacles preventing us from being your faithful representatives to a broken world and awaken our hearts to the promised gift of your indwelling Spirit. This we pray in Jesus' powerful name.

Silent Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Leader: The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting.
Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation;
the old life has gone and new life has begun.
**All: In Jesus Christ, our sins are forgiven.
Thanks be to God! Amen.**

***Gloria Patri** Hymn #579

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen.*

***Affirmation of Faith: The Apostles' Creed**

Hymnal, p. 14

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

Children's Moment

Kathleen Lifsey

Following the Children's Moment, children ages 4 and 5 are invited to participate in Worship Workshop in Room 1 on the ground floor next to the toddler playground. Children in 1st and 2nd grades are invited to participate in Gateways to Worship in Room 101 on the main level between the Library and Chapel. All children 3 and under are welcome in the Nursery. Please see green pew card for more information.

Prayer for Illumination

New Testament Lesson: Luke 4:14-21 (pew Bible NT, p. 61)

New Testament Lesson: 1 Corinthians 12:12-31a (pew Bible NT, p. 174)

Leader: The Word of God for the people of God.

All: Thanks be to God.

"Promoted" Peter Thompson

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

***Hymn #332** **Live Into Hope**

Prayers of the People

Call to Offering

Offertory Anthem

Hail to the Lord's Anointed

L. Schroeter

*Hail to the Lord's Anointed, Great David's greater Son!
Hail, in the time appointed, His reign on earth begun!
He comes to break oppression, To set the captive free,
To take away transgression, And rule in equity.
Kings shall bow down before Him And gold and incense bring;
All nations shall adore Him, His praise all peoples sing;
To Him shall prayer unceasing And daily vows ascend,
His kingdom still increasing, a kingdom without end.*

***Doxology** Hymn #592

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.*

***Prayer of Dedication**

WE GO OUT IN GOD'S SERVICE

***Hymn #435** **We All Are One in Mission**

***Benediction**

***Sharing the Love, Joy, and Peace of Christ**

Leader: The Peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

Postlude **Just a Closer Walk With Thee** Anonymous

**Music Leader: Marcia Thom-Kaley
Worship Leader: Hollins Pierpoint**

THIS WEEK AT FIRST PRESBYTERIAN

Sunday, January 27

- 9:00 a.m. Coffee Café (Officers' Room)
9:15 a.m. Spiritual Growth Opportunities (Various Locations)
10:30 a.m. Worship (Sanctuary)
5:00 p.m. Run/Walk with God (Rear Parking Lot)
5:00 p.m. KidMin (Room 126)
6:30 p.m. HS Youth Group (off-site: girls at Pettyjohns', boys at Morris'es')

Monday, January 28

- 9:30 a.m. Marys and Marthas (HS Youth Room)
7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts (Scout Room)

Tuesday, January 29

- 9:30 a.m. Staff Meeting (Library)
7:00 p.m. Cub Scouts (Scout Room)

Wednesday, January 30

- 12:30 p.m. Al-Anon (Room 126)

Thursday, January 31

- 7:00 a.m. Colin Caldwell Men's Bible Study (Martin-Gifford Room)
9:00 a.m. Women's Bible Study (Bride's Room)
6:30 p.m. Chancel Ringers Rehearsal (Bell Room)
7:15 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)

Pastor on Call: Peter Thompson (336) 269-7270

Members Helping Members for January: Ginny McCraw 528-1927 and Sally DeNiord 384-8153

Members Helping Members for February: Cathy Oakes 384-9403 and Betty Blue 384-6420

Chancel Flowers are given to the glory of God, and in loving memory of their parents, by Tim and Susan Timmons.

Who's on First? For those who have joined FPC in the past couple of years and visitors who are interested in joining, this class offers an opportunity to learn the ins and outs of the church, how to get involved, polity, and what "Worship +2" means. This New Members' Class will meet Sundays from 9:15-10:15 a.m., February 3 through February 24 in the Officers' Room.

TWO-CENTS-A-MEAL: The Two-Cents-a-Meal offering is an invitation for individuals and families to contribute two cents (or more) per person at each meal to assist in the hunger needs of others within our local community. Offering baskets will be available at the doors as you exit the Sanctuary. Please give as you are able.

Called Congregational Meeting: Sunday, February 3 immediately following Worship, a congregational meeting has been called for the purpose of informing the congregation of the budget and Strategic Plan in addition to presenting the annual Terms of Call for Rev. Peter Thompson and Rev. Chad McCain.

Souper Bowl of Caring: Sunday, February 3: Bring canned food items and monetary donations for your desired team. Food donations will benefit the Rivermont Area Emergency Food Pantry, and monies will benefit our local Meals on Wheels. Collections and "prediction" of the winning team will be announced via Facebook after Worship.

Orange Cart: February will bring the orange shopping cart back to the lobby at FPC as we take our turn stocking the shelves of the Rivermont Area Emergency Food Pantry. Any non-perishable food is welcome, but there is a special need for canned fruit. Please check expiration dates!

Pack more than 10,000 meals in under two hours! February 10 @ 5:00 p.m our 2018-19 Confirmation class is hosting this remarkable service event through Rise Against Hunger for our entire congregation to participate. Join us!

Memorial Gifts

In Memory of Taylor Evans, by Mr. & Mrs. Sam Johnston

In Memory of Scott Reams, by Pam Milne

In Memory of Scott Reams, by Mr. & Mrs. Ed Hunt

In Memory of Mr. & Mrs. L. Bradford Waters Sr., L. Bradford Waters, Jr., by Kim Keriakos and Anne Dowd

In Memory of Jack Sellick, by Mr. & Mrs. Bill Wescott

Many events, programs, and meetings are occurring at FPC; we encourage you to view the church calendar on www.fpclly.org, the hallway bulletin board, and sign-up table just off the Foyer for all the upcoming activities.



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