# 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Epiphany

February 3, 2019

\*Those who are able, please stand.

### WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

# **Silent Prayer of Preparation**

Holy God, you confound the world's wisdom by giving your kingdom to the lowly and pure in heart. Give us such a hunger and thirst for justice and perseverance in striving for peace, that by our words and deeds the world may see the promise of your kingdom, revealed in Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Prelude What a Friend We Have in Jesus R. Elliott

Welcome and Announcements Minute for Fellowship

**Emmett Lifsey** 

Call to Worship Psalm 86

Leader: There is none like you, O Lord, nor are there any works like yours.

All: All the nations you have made shall come

and bow down before you, O Lord, and shall glorify your name. For you are great and do wondrous things—you alone are God.

Leader: With praise and adoration, let us worship God together.

\*Hymn #522 Lord, When I Came Into This Life

\*Prayer of Adoration and the Lord's Prayer

Hymnal, p. 16

Call to Confession Prayer of Confession

Awesome and compassionate God, you have loved us with unfailing, self-giving mercy, but we have not always loved you. You constantly call us, but we do not always listen. You ask us to love, but we often walk away from our neighbors in need, wrapped in our own concerns. We even condone evil, prejudice, warfare, and greed. God of grace, as you come to us in mercy, we repent to you in spirit and truth, admit our sins, and gratefully receive your forgiveness through Jesus Christ, our Redeemer.

# **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 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> 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: 1 Corinthians 13:1-13 (pew Bible NT, p. 175)
Old Testament Lesson: Jeremiah 1:4-10 (pew Bible OT, p. 698)

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

All: Thanks be to God.

"Fear Not" Peter Thompson

### WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

\*Hymn #525 Here I Am, Lord

## Celebrating the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

All who trust and believe in Jesus Christ are invited to participate in communion. As we celebrate communion together, you are invited to remain in your seat. A server will present you with a tray of bread; please take a piece and pass the tray down the pew. As you are ready, you may eat the bread. When all have been served the bread, a server will then present a tray of juice; please take a cup and pass the tray down the pew. As you are ready, you may drink and place your empty cup in the pew rack. As you pass the bread and cup to one another, you may offer the bread as the "bread of life" and the cup as the "cup of salvation."

Call to Offering Offertory Anthem

# I Sat Down Under His Shadow

E. Bairstow

I sat down under His shadow with great delight, And His fruit was sweet to my taste. He brought me to the banqueting house, And His banner over me was love.

\*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

\*Benediction

\*Hymn #418 God, Bless Your Church with Strength!

**Congregational Meeting** 

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

\*Postlude Prelude in D Major J. S. Bach

#### THIS WEEK AT FIRST PRESBYTERIAN

# Sunday, February 3

9:00 a.m. Coffee Café (Officers' Room)

Spiritual Growth Opportunities (Various Locations) 9:15 a.m.

Worship (Sanctuary) 10:30 a.m.

Called Congregational Meeting (Sanctuary) 11:30 a.m.

KidMin (Room 126), no dinner 5:00 p.m.

#### Monday, February 4

Marys and Marthas (HS Youth Room) 9:30 a.m. PW Coordinating Team (Library) 10:00 a.m.

Care & Nurture Committee (Officers' Room) 4:30 p.m.

Men's Community Bible Study (Martin-Gifford Room) 7:00 p.m.

7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts (Scout Room)

#### Tuesday, February 5

Staff Meeting (Martin-Gifford Room) 9:30 a.m. Young & Not So Young Circle (Library) 9:30 a.m. 2:00 p.m. Communications Committee (Library) 5:30 p.m. Personnel Committee (Library) Gateway Meal (Confirmation Class) 6:30 p.m.

7:00 p.m. Cub Scouts (Scout Room)

#### Wednesday, February 6

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

Service & Outreach Committee (Officers' Room) 5:30 p.m.

### Thursday, February 7

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) Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room) 7:15 p.m.

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

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

Chancel Flowers are given to the glory of God in celebration of the life and memory of James Morton Gravely "Jimbo."

Called Congregational Meeting Today: Immediately following the closing hymn in worship today, a congregational meeting has been called for the purpose of informing the congregation of the Strategic Plan and 2019 Operating Budget, in addition to presenting the annual Terms of Call for Rev. Peter Thompson and Rev. Chad McCain.

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! NEXT SUNDAY, February 10 @ 5:00 p.m. our 2018-19 Confirmation Class is hosting a remarkable service event through Rise Against Hunger so that our entire congregation can participate. Join us!

Economic Outlook - Men's Fellowship: Fellowship begins at 6:00 p.m. with a catered dinner (\$10 each) at 6:30 p.m. The program will be led by Roger Vaden and Scott Stringfellow and will begin at 7:00 p.m. Please call or sign up in the Foyer at church.

G. Rudolph Leonard Scholarship: 2019 applications are now available to active members of First Presbyterian for fulltime undergraduate and graduate studies. Please contact office@fpcly.org for electronic application and requirements. All application materials must be received by 3 p.m. Monday, May 6, 2019, to be considered.

Congregation Life Supper Club: An opportunity to connect or re-connect with your church family while breaking bread together. Sign-ups to host or attend are on the table off the Fover.

Fat Sunday: Chili Cook-Off: Do you have a secret chili recipe? Think it could beat out the competition? Sign up to participate in this year's Chili Cook-Off, Sunday, March 3, 5:30 – 7:00 p.m. Sign-ups are in the hallway off the Foyer.

Organ Recital with Cory Whittier: Sunday, March 10 at 4:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary.



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