

*Morning Worship—January 5, 2020*

*2nd Sunday of Christmas*

*Please sign the Fellowship Pad and pass it to your neighbor.*

*\*Please stand if able. It is our custom to sing, “Amen,” after hymns.*

*As the chimes ring in the worship hour,*

*we invite people to enter a time of personal reflection and congregational worship.*

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**PRELUDE** “Angels from the Realms of Glory” arr. E. Tm Rogers

**RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: May the light of God’s love push back the darkness.

**People: We come seeking the light that guides us to life.**

Leader: We come to the light from the north, south, east and west; yet we are all one in Jesus Christ.

**People: Let us lift up our many voices and praise the God of heaven and earth.**

**INSTALLATION OF ELDERS AND DEACONS**

Leader: There are different gifts.

**People: But it is the same Spirit who gives them.**

Leader: There are different ways of serving God.

**People: But it is the same Lord who is served.**

Leader: God works through different persons in different ways.

**People: But it is the same God who achieves his purpose through them all.**

Leader: Each one is given a different gift by the Holy Spirit.

**People: To use it for the common good of the body of Christ.**

Leader: Together we are the body of Christ.

**People: And individually members of him.**

**\*HYMN OF PRAISE 63** “As with Gladness Men of Old”

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Almighty and merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you and one another in both our actions and our inactions. We recognize that in Jesus Christ our light has come, yet often we choose to walk in shadows and ignore the light. Gracious God, forgive our sins and remove us from the veil of darkness that shrouds our lives. Illumined by your Word, may we rise to the radiance of Christ’s glory. Amen.

**SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION**

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

Leader: The true light that gives light to everyone was coming into the world. Yet to all who did receive him, to those who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God.

**People: Thanks be to God. Amen.**

**\*GLORIA PATRI (579)** GREATOREX, 1851

**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.**

**TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES** Joyce Perez  
(children exit for Sunday School)

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

**Guide us, O God, by your Word and Spirit, that in your light we may see light, in your truth find freedom, and in your will discover peace, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

**OLD TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE LESSON** (528/557) Isaiah 60:1-6  
**ANTHEM** “Go, Tell It on the Mountain” by Work/Costen

**GOSPEL LESSON** (681/717) Matthew 2:1-12  
**SERMON** “The Light of Epiphany” Rev. Steve Willis

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** (See Apostles’ Creed in Aids to Worship pew insert)  
**\*HYMN OF RESPONSE 66** “We Three Kings of Orient Are”

**PASTORAL PRAYER & THE LORD’S PRAYER** (See pew insert)

**DEDICATION OF OFFERINGS**

Offering in Music “It Came Upon the Midnight Clear” arr. Lloyd Larson  
**\*Doxology 591** OLD HUNDREDTH  
**Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**  
\*Prayer of Dedication

**\*HYMN OF COMMITMENT 62** “Bring We the Frankincense of Our Love”  
(children return from Sunday School)

**\*BENEDICTION**

**\*BENEDICTION RESPONSE 41**, 2nd stanza “O Come, All Ye Faithful”

**POSTLUDE** “Russian Cradle Song” arr. V. Labenske

ANNOUNCEMENTS

**PASTORAL CONCERNS**— Chlodine Bittner (J. Weller’s grandmother), Lisa Bolt, Amy Bracey, Whitney Bracey (N. Bracey sister-in-law), Bill Brown, Matthew Dolianitis, Betty & Bill Fitzgerald, Carroll Garrett, Kay Gillespie, Fred Gunn (W. Gunn’s brother), Flo Hall, Ray Hayes, Sister Jones (P. Brandon), Peggy Lackey, Bob Lowther, Martha McQueen, Ronnie Mathena, Patrick Martin (H. Beale), Carolyn Miles, Tony Parker (W. Barrow’s father), Dick Stoakley, Debra Bolt Thompson, Easton Zunker (K. Meadows)  
The concerns of those who wish to remain unnamed. Our PNC Committee. Our Service Personnel & First Responders. The people of Togo.  
**ON THE MEND** — Mrs. Helen Harris

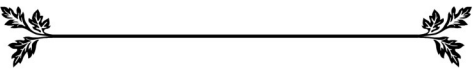
We will have a called session meeting on Sunday January 12th.  
The Confirmation/Communicant class will be received on Sunday January 12th.

- Diaconate**  
**Class of 2020** Nicole Bracey, Kathy Dolianitis, Kim Meadows, David Swann  
**Class of 2021** Lisa Bolt, Randy Brooks, Becky Meadema, Jeanne Nostrandt, Melva Sweeney, Alternate  
**Session**  
**Class of 2020** Fred Baker, Martha Bell, David Parris, Gary Wimer  
**Class of 2021** Tom Barrett, Eddie Blount, Mike Reynolds, Brenna Takata  
**Class of 2022** Ray Beale, Bernadine Hayes, Joyce Perez, David Clark, Barry Cutright, Alternate

The flowers today are given in loving memory of Mrs. Lee Myers Norman  
by Mr. & Mrs. Michael B. Jones and all of the Norman family.

SERVING TODAY

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|-----------------------------------|---------------------------|
| Nursery/Sunday School             | L. Blount & M. Meadors    |
| Combined Sunday School            | Weller family             |
| Elders at Front Door              | E. Blount                 |
| Security & Side Door              | F. Baker                  |
| Deacon to Receive Offering        | K. Meadows                |
| Officers to Count Offering        | Barrett/Wilson N.         |
| Church School Superintendent      | Gail Davis                |
| Liturgist                         | J. Perez                  |
| Time for Young Disciples          | J. Perez                  |
| Sound System                      | E. Blount                 |
| Ushers                            | Team 1                    |
| Flower Ministry                   | Deacons                   |
| Childcare Specialists             | Lea Smith, Kelley Fochler |
| Saturday Lunch Ministry Jan. 11th | Westover                  |
| Saturday Lunch Attendance 12/28   | 70                        |



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TO KNOW CHRIST AND MAKE HIM KNOWN

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Opportunities to Study the Word every Sunday Morning

- Youth & Adult Sunday School** 9:45 a.m.– 10:40 a.m.  
**Youth** (middle & high school) Rm 112 /discussion type class studying scripture lesson used in Sunday’s sermon  
**Bible Seekers**/Rm 109/ “Feasting on the Word” / discussion type class  
**Bible Study Fellowship**/Library/ Ligonier Ministry’s “Tabletalk Magazine” / discussion type class  
**Outlook**/Rm 322/“The Present Word” / lecture type class  
**The Children’s Extended Time** (mid-worship 11:15-12:00) Deep Blue Cokesbury Curriculum  
**K-2** /Rm304/various instructors/**Gr 3-5**/Rm 306/various instructors  
Nursery care from 9:30 AM to 12:30 PM & Sunday School for grades K-5 after Time for Young Disciples.

THIS WEEK AT FIRST PRESBYTERIAN

- MONDAY, January 6**  
9:30 a.m. Prayer Group  
10:00 a.m. Co. Council  
12:30 p.m. Day Circle  
4:30 p.m. CE Committee  
5:45 p.m. Deacons  
7:00 p.m. Evening Circle@ Takata

- TUESDAY, January 7**  
5:15 p.m. Handbells  
6:00 p.m. Vision Committee  
7:00 p.m. Property Committee

- WEDNESDAY, January 8**  
6:00 p.m. Youth & WNSupper

- THURSDAY, January 9**  
5:30 p.m. Chancel Choir

- FRIDAY, January 10**  
All Day Church Office Closed

- SATURDAY, January 11**  
11:30 a.m. Lunch Ministry

- SUNDAY, January 12**  
9:00 a.m. Worship Comm.  
9:45 a.m. Sunday School:  
See below for Class information  
11:00 a.m. Worship  
Mid-worship K-2/3-5 SS  
Noon Fellowship