

**Sending.**

Let us go into the world with God’s gifts.

**We will perform God’s works of mercy and life.**

Let us go into the world with the Bread of heaven in our hands.

**We will share Christ’s grace which gives life to everyone.**

Let us go as the one body of faith and fellowship.

**We will to witness to the one Spirit of hope and faith.**

**Postlude**

*“Sinfonietta”*

(c) Thom M. Shuman  
G.F. Handel

**Benediction**

**Serving Today**

Rev. Dr. Elizabeth Broschart	Minister of Word and Sacrament
Ashley Stanley-Robey	Interim Music Director
Patricia Howell	Interim Organist
David Clark	Sound
Ray Beale	Liturgist
Kent Shelton	Time for Young Disciples
David Parris	Security, side door & offering
Brenna Takata	Greeter
Rebecca & Chris Moore	Sunday School

*The flowers that enhance our worship are given to the glory of God,  
and in loving memory of Pat Bolt, Buck Collins, Sarah Collins, and  
Tom Collins by Charles Bolt and the family.*

We welcome you to First Presbyterian Church.

Our office hours are Monday—Thursday 8:30 a.m.—3:00 p.m.

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# First Presbyterian Church

January 16, 2022

As the chimes ring in the worship hour, we invite you to enter a time of personal reflection and congregational worship.

**\*Please stand as you are able.**

**Chiming of the Hour**

**Welcome and Announcements**

**Invocation**

**Prelude**                      *"Meditation on St. George's Windsor"*                      June Nixon

**Call to Worship**

The Spirit of God is upon us.

**We are called to be God's people.**

The Spirit of God is upon us.

**We are called to be the body of Christ.**

Come let us worship God, who binds us together  
in love and service.

**\*Hymn**                      *"Spirit Divine, Attend our Prayers"*                      **GTG#407**

**Call to Reconciliation**

When we try to sugarcoat what we have done, scripture stares us down, reminding us of our faults. When we seek to romanticize why we have failed to live as faithful people, God refuses to go along, waiting for us to confess our sins. Let us join together as God's children, lifting our prayers to the One who is generous in love.

**Unison Prayer for Forgiveness**

**Compassionate One:** like David, it is not easy for us to confront those deeds which do not please you. We are so busy looking for the miracles we desire, we cannot see the gift of your presence in others. We are so intent on indulging our appetites and slaking our thirsts, we cannot taste that Bread which gives life. We spend so much of our lives bemoaning the acts of others, we have no time to look in the mirror and see our secret faces.

Forgive us, Steadfast Love. Grace us with your mercy, so we might be made whole. Touch our inner being and heal us, so we might know joy and gladness. Create new hearts within us, so they might beat as one with each other, and with your Son, our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

**Assurance of Pardon**

Despite knowing our sin, God chooses to forgive us;  
seeing our emptiness, God chooses to feed us;  
holding our shattered hearts, God chooses to heal us.  
This is the good news: God loves us.

**God has graced us with mercy and created new life from our brokenness. Thanks be to God. Amen.**

**\*Passing the Peace of Christ—**

*Please stand, pass the peace with cupped hands and remain standing for the hymn.*

**\*Response**                      *"I Believe in God the Father"*                      **GTG#481**

**Baptism of Claudia Belk, Bridget Belk and Ava Belk**

**A Time for Young Disciples**                      Kent Shelton

**Offering Prayer/Collection**

Use the gifts which we offer to you, Holy God, to restore joy to the despairing, to give food to the hungry, and willing spirits to us, that we might be servants to all your people. Amen.

**Anthem**                      *"Great is Thy Faithfulness"*                      Getty Hymn Sing Video

**\*Doxology**

**Prayers of the People and Lord's Prayer**                      (debt/debtors)

**Scripture:**                      Nehemiah 1:4-11

**Sermon**                      "Nehemiah: Building Out of Brokenness"

**Hymn**                      *"Restore in Us, O God"*                      **GTG#434**