

# Our Mission

To Know Christ and To Make Him Known

## WORSHIP NOTES

**Welcome** to today's worship service. We are delighted that you are here. If you are visiting, we invite you to join by profession of faith in Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior, by reaffirmation of faith, or by transfer. Please speak to the pastor after the service.

## SERVING TODAY

Jackson Weller	Minister of Discipleship
Ashley Stanley-Robey	Music Director
Patricia Taylor	Organist
Sam Meadema	Sound
Nancy Clayton	Liturgist
Eddie Blount	Security, side door and offering
Jackie Rochford	Greeter
Team 2	Wednesday Night Dinner

## BUDGET UPDATE

	Jan 24	YTD
Contributions	\$33,289.50	\$33,289.50
Expenditures	\$48,682.37	\$48,682.37
Difference	(\$15,392.87)	(\$15,392.87)

# First Presbyterian Church

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**OFFICE HOURS: Tuesday-Thursday from 9 a.m. to Noon**

# A Service for the Worship of God

## GATHER TO GLORIFY GOD

*As you enter the sanctuary please end your conversations and respect those worshippers who seek quiet time for prayer and meditation. Please silence all electronic devices. If you need a hearing assistance device, please request one from the usher. Remaining seated is as worshipful a posture as standing. Please worship in a way that is comfortable for you.*

## CHIMING OF THE HOUR

## WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

## PRELUDE

## CALL TO WORSHIP

Where can we go from God's spirit? **If we ascend to heaven, God is there; if we make our bed in Sheol, God is there. If we take the wings of morning and settle at the farthest limits of the sea, Even there God's hand shall lead us, and God's right hand will hold us fast.**

## INVOCATION

Creator and Ruler of the Earth, we lift up our voices, our eyes, our hearts, our lives to You in praise. Make us Your alleluia people. Uphold the weary, for whom praise may be very difficult. Humble the strong, for whom "alleluia" may be too easy. Creator and Ruler of the Earth, continue to form us into Your new creation, that we might welcome You to more fully become the ruler of our hearts and minds. Through Him who came as a servant, and who now reigns over all creation, Jesus, our Christ. Amen.

## HYMN

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Session:

Moderator: Rev. Dr. Elizabeth E. Broschart

Class of 2024: Kathy Dolianitis, Brenna Takata\*, Barbara Wilkins\*, David Swann

Class of 2025: David Clark, Sam Meadema\*, Eddie Blount\*, Jackie Rochford\*

Class of 2026: Randy Brooks, Barry Cutright, Gail Jones, Kim Wimer

### **CALL TO CONFESSION**

Even as we enter into the presence of God, we exclaim with Isaiah: “Woe is me, I am a person of unclean ways, dwelling among a tainted people.” If we claim we have no sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sin, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sin and cleanse us of all unrighteousness. Trusting in the steadfast love of God in Christ Jesus the Lord, let us pray

### **PRAYER OF CONFESSION:**

**Holy Lord, I know I struggle and I’m sinful. I want to be made new in You. I ask for you to create me a new creature, where I can start fresh today and live for You. Hear now our silent prayers of confession:**

SILENT PRAYER OF CONFESSION:

### **ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

Hear the good news: Who is in a position to condemn? Only Christ, and Christ died for us, Christ rose for us, Christ lives in power for us, Christ prays for us. Anyone who is in Christ is of the New Creation. The old life is finished, gone. Behold, new life has begun. Brothers and Sisters, believe the good news: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

### **THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

The peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you.**

**Leader:** Let us, the children of God, stand and greet each other with cupped hands filled with God’s blessings and remain standing for the “Gloria Patri”.

### **RESPONSE**

*“Gloria Patri”*

*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.*

**CALL FOR THE OFFERING**

**PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

Holy God, these offerings are only a portion of all that you have given us. We gratefully present these gifts and entrust them to your work in this world. May our gifts share the good news of the gospel to those who are in need. May these gifts help unburden those with the heaviest of loads. Amen

**OFFERTORY**

**DOXOLOGY**

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

**HEAR THE WORD OF GOD**

**ANTHEM**

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

**Creator Spirit, who hovered over the waters at creation’s birth, who descended in the form of a dove at Jesus’ baptism, who was poured out under the signs of fire and wind at Pentecost: Come to us, open our hearts and minds, so that we may hear the Word of life and be renewed by your power, for you live and reign with God and Christ now and forevermore. Amen.**

**SCRIPTURE**

Hebrews 12:1-2 and 2 Corinthians 5:17

**SERMON**

“Finding New Life in the New Year”

**RESPONSE TO THE WORD**

**AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

*The Apostles’ Creed*

I believe in God the Father Almighty,  
Maker of heaven and earth:

And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord,  
Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,  
Born of the Virgin Mary,  
Suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
Was crucified, dead, and buried:

He descended into hell;  
The third day he rose again from the dead;  
He ascended into heaven,  
And sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;  
From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost;  
The holy catholic church;  
The communion of saints;  
The forgiveness of sins;  
The resurrection of the body,  
And the Life everlasting.  
Amen.

**HYMN**

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**CALL TO DISCIPLESHIP**

**POSTLUDE**

**BENEDICTION**