

Service For The Lords Day Communion/2 Centra Meal

January 5, 2025

*Those who are able, please stand.

_10:00 A.M. Worship

WELCOME! We are glad you are worshiping with us today. We pray that you will be challenged and find joy, hope, and celebration in this time spent together in the presence of God. *Please sign and pass the "Ritual of Friendship" booklet; then, return it to the first person.*

GOD'S PEOPLE GATHER TO WORSHIP

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE "I Wonder as I Wander" arr. John Ness Beck

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

Loving God, each new day You fill the world with light for our work and recreation. As we go to our daily tasks, teach us to live as Your faithful children whose eyes are open to the light of Christ. Enable all that we do or say to bear witness to our inheritance as children of God. Amen.

CALL TO WORSHIP

(Responsive)

Leader: The Word became flesh and lived among us,

People: And we have seen His glory.

Leader: The true light that enlightens everyone has come into the world.

People: Glory to God Who has blessed us in Christ. Glory to God forever.

*PRAYER OF INVOCATION (Lay Reader)

*OPENING HYMN

"Come, Behold the Feast of Heaven"

No. 511

*CALL TO CONFESSION

(Lay Reader)

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION (In Unison)

Holy God, we confess that we are a distracted people and forgetful of Your love. We make selfish choices, hurt each other, and perpetuate injustice in Your world. We have sinned against You and are deeply sorry and repent of our disregard of You, each other, and Your creation. By the power of Your Spirit, forgive, restore, and strengthen us to live in Your light and walk in Your truth; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

***KYRIE** No. 574

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON (Lay Reader)

*GLORIA PATRI No. 579

GOD'S PEOPLE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION (Lay Reader)

FIRST READING (Pastor) Jeremiah 31:7-14

SECOND READING (Lay Reader) Ephesians 1:3-14

GOSPEL (Pastor) John 1:1-18

ANTHEM "Have You Seen Three Kings?" Graham

SERMON "Who's Who and What Is Their Role?" Rev. Kelly Lindsay

GOD'S PEOPLE RESPOND

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Apostles' Creed

*PREPARATION PSALM "Hear Our Prayer, O Lord"

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE (Responsive)

Pastor: God, in Your mercy, **All: Hear our prayer.**

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

Leader: The Peace of Christ be with you

All: And also with you. *(Please greet nearby worshipers and return to your seat.)

OFFERTORY "We Three Kings" arr. Hayes

*DOXOLOGY No. 592

*OFFERTORY PRAYER (Pastor)

THE LORD'S SUPPER (Pastor)

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

Invitation to the Table

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

... "Our Father, Who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors, and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for Thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory forever. Amen."

Words of Institution

Distribution of the Elements

Communion Music "It Came upon a Midnight Clear" arr. Rice

Prayer

*HYMN "We Three Kings" No. 151

GOD'S PEOPLE GO FORTH TO SERVE

*CHARGE AND BLESSING

*BENEDICTION "God Rest Ye Merry, Gentlemen" arr. John Ness

Beck

*POSTLUDE "Star of Wonder"

THE CELEBRATION HAS ENDED; LET OUR SERVICE BEGIN!

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Welcome Visitors!

The Nursery is available for infants to 4-year-olds.

FPC Vision: Glorify and enjoy God through worship, education, and service.

FPC's Web Page: http://www.fpcwarren.org

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Hearing Devices to better enable you to hear the service are available from one of the ushers. Please return the device at the end of the service.

FOOD AND DRINK should remain in Fellowship Hall. Thank you.

THE DEACONS would like to thank all who remember the Deacons' Cupboard while shopping. They are requesting **bar soap, toilet tissue, and tuna** for the month of **January.** You may leave your items in the Deacons' box in Fellowship Hall.

RADIO MINISTRY is funded today by **the General Fund.** Our service is broadcast at 10:00 a.m. Sundays on 1570 AM and 97.7 FM. If you would like to contribute to this ministry, donations designated for the Radio Ministry may be placed in the offering box; contributions may also be mailed to the Church Office with "Radio Ministry" in the memo of the check. Our Radio Ministry costs \$125.00 per week; your financial support will keep this ministry alive.

2025 OFFERING ENVELOPES – You can pick up your 2025 offering envelopes in Fellowship Hall. Names are printed on the boxes. Any questions, please call the Church Office @ 330-393-1524.

DE-DECORATE THE CHURCH – Join us **today, after worship,** as we share our Christmas memories and pack away the Christmas decorations. Afterwards, lunch will be provided in Fellowship Hall.

FLOWER CHART: The Sanctuary Flower Chart for 2025 is in the Church Office. Please reserve your date or dates now for the new year.

LOOKING FOR A DAILY DEVOTIONAL GUIDE? The January/February issue of the Upper Room is now available in the hall by the Church Office. These free magazines are compliments of your Board of Deacons. Large-print copies are also available.

DON'T FORGET... Jigsaw puzzles are available in Fellowship Hall on the bookshelf. Take one; complete it; return it; borrow another. Enjoy!

JOIN US THURSDAY MORNINGS... for our weekly prayer talk. We meet in Fellowship Hall for guided devotionals with scripture and prayer and fellowship at 9:00 a.m. All are welcome. Please join us. ...let us walk in the light of the Lord Isaiah 2:5

PER CAPITA: The 2025 "Per Capita Assessment" charge is \$33.00 per member. Each congregation of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) pays a "Per Capita Assessment," so that the work of the Church as a whole can be continued at the Presbytery (local), Synod (multi-Presbytery), and General Assembly (national) levels.



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Rev. Kelly Lindsay Melanie A. Vlad Marissa Welke Lynn Griffith III Alexis Musgrove Bob Stahl



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WEEK-AT-A-GLANCE

Sun, Jan. 5	- Communion/2 Cents a Meal - Choir Rehearsal
Mon, Jan. 6	- Epiphany of the Lord - OA, P
Tues, Jan. 7	- Al-Anon, B
Wed, Jan. 8	- Someplace Safe, B
Thur, Jan. 9	- Prayer Talk, P 9:00 am
Fri, Jan. 10	- Church Office Closed
Sat, Jan. 11	- AA, MC
Sun, Jan. 12	- Choir Rehearsal