

THE LORD'S DAY MORNING

DECEMBER 8, 2019

Introit: "Hark, the Glad Sound! The Savior Comes"

The Call to Worship

***The Hymn of Praise**

Hymn 207

"Good Christian Men, Rejoice"

***The Prayer of Adoration**

The Confession of Faith: The Apostles' Creed

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

I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

God Calls Us to Repentance: Exod. 20:1-2, 15; Deut. 27:26

And God spoke all these words, saying, "I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery...You shall not steal."

Cursed be anyone who does not confirm the words of this law by doing them.

God's People Confess Their Sin

Glorious God, only You are worthy of all our worship. And yet, our greatest theft is seeking to rob You of Your glory. In seeking to steal worship from You, we then engage in hostile takeover of Your creation with the delusion that we are owners rather than stewards of what You created for Your own pleasure. Convict us of our glory theft and grant us brokenness and humility. We are full of fearful self-protection and insatiable self-consumption. We hoard the resources that You have given us for our own pleasures and preferences and mistakenly seek security in the gifts rather than the Giver. Guard our hearts from inordinate prizing and protecting of worldly goods, and

grant us strength to grow in generosity and joy through Christ our Lord and our Redeemer, our true provision and only security, Amen.

Silent Confession

God Assures Us of Forgiveness in Christ: Galatians 3:13-14

Christ redeemed us from the curse of the law by becoming a curse for us—for it is written, "Cursed is everyone who is hanged on a tree"—so that in Christ Jesus the blessing of Abraham might come to the Gentiles, so that we might receive the promised Spirit through faith.

***The Hymn of Thanksgiving**

Hymn 227

"On Christmas Night All Christians Sing"

God's People Worship through Giving: Psalm 104:27-30

All look to You, to give them their food in due season. When You give it to them, they gather it up; when You open Your hand, they are filled with good things. When you hide Your face, they are dismayed; when You take away their breath, they die and return to their dust. When You send forth Your Spirit, they are created, and You renew the face of the ground.

Offertory

God Calls His People to Prayer: Romans 8:32

He who did not spare His own Son but gave Him up for us all, how will He not also with Him graciously give us all things?

***The Hymn of Preparation**

Insert

"Psalm 110"

Scripture Reading Hebrews 10:11-22 (p.946)

The Preaching of God's Word

Rev. Ryan Biese

Our Redeemer's Work: Christ our Priest

***The Hymn of Commitment**

Hymn 242

"Not All the Blood of Beasts"

***The Benediction**

***The Response:**

Hymn 301

"Join All the Glorious Names" (stanza 3)

Jesus, my great High Priest, offered His blood and died;

My guilty conscience seeks no sacrifice beside;

His powerful blood did once atone

And now it pleads before the throne.

*Please stand if you are able

Ministry Opportunities for Everyone

- Children / Youth Ministry
- Greeters
- Intercessory Prayer
- Local Outreach
- Men's Ministry
- Mercy Ministry
- Missions Work
- Nursery
- Scouting Programs
- Visitation
- Women in the Church

I am interested in...

- Becoming a Christian
- Joining this Church
- Family Activities
- Joining a Bible Study
- Other Interests:

Comments or Questions

Request Sermons on CD

Name: _____

Date(s): _____

Special Needs

- I want to speak with the Pastor.
- I want to know more about this Church.

Prayer Requests

Thank You For Visiting!

December 8, 2019

Welcome to First Presbyterian Church!
It is important for us to get to know you.
Please fill out this form (both sides) and
drop it in the offering plate. Also be
sure to mark any items about which you
would like more information.

Dr./Mr./Mrs./Miss/Ms. _____

Address: _____

City: _____

State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Home Phone: _____

Best time to call: _____

Email address: _____

Status (circle)

Single Married Widowed Student
Children's Names and Ages: _____

Are you...

- New to the community
- Looking for a new church home
- First Time Visitor
- Second-Time or More Visitor
- Out-of-town Visitor
- Member of another church

Church Name _____

City/State _____

How did you learn about our church?

- Friend Newspaper
- Website Church Sign
- Mail Yellow Pages
- Other _____

Today

10:45 AM Morning Worship

5:00 PM Choir Rehearsal

5:45 PM Prayer Meeting (Church Parlor)

6:15 PM Evening Worship (Sanctuary)

Monday, December 9

7:15 PM Scouts

Wednesday, December 11

9-10:00 AM Ladies Prayer Group (Small Parlor)

6-6:45 PM Supper Club

6:45-7:45 PM Adult Bible Study, Kids Quest, and Youth Group

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Announcements are due each week by Wednesday at 5:00 PM to office@FPFO.org

***The Annual Youth Christmas Gala** is Friday, December 13 from 6:00-9:30 PM at The Bosshardt's. Grades 6-12. Dress festively, bring a gift (no more than \$10) for the gift exchange with a friend. Sign-up sheet is in the fellowship hall.

***Next Lord's Day evening**, the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be observed as part of evening worship.

***On Wednesday, Dec. 18** we will go on our annual "**Caroling in the Village**" after midweek supper. Please join in and bring a scarf.

The officers have scheduled a forum for **January 5** to present the **2020 budget** to the congregation as well as take questions.

***The Youth Retreat to Ridge Haven** will be **June 8-13**; the cost \$320. A **deposit of \$100** is due Jan. 29. Fundraising opportunities are available.

***Capital Improvements Fund** Balance is \$7,316. Our goal is \$60,000.

Nursery Schedule

Today:

Aubrey Tuggle & Annie Wilson
(PM) Patti Traffanstedt

December 15, 2019

Mary Lou Wilson & Emma Wood
(PM) Emma Wilson

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SUNDAY SERVICE INFORMATION

9:45 p.m. Gathering Prayer & Praise | 9:55 a.m. Sunday School | 10:45 a.m. Worship

5:45 p.m. Prayer Meeting | 6:15 p.m. Worship

Pastor: Ryan Biese, email: rfbiese@gmail.com

Ruling Elders: David Bosshardt, Herman McConathy, and Wil Davis

Diaconate: Wade Brumley, Bob Keller (chairman), and Lance Wood (clerk)



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Praise the LORD!

I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart,
in the company of the upright, in the congregation.
Great are the works of the LORD,
studied by all who delight in them.

(Psalm 111:1-2)