

The First Presbyterian Church

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All members of the congregation



The Celebration of Worship Second Sunday after Epiphany

January 14, 2018

10:30 AM

Worship is broadcast at 11 AM on WCHS-580AM

A warm welcome is extended to all who worship here today.
Large print hymnals, Bibles, hearing devices,
and information about child care are available from any usher.

If your hearing aid has a button for telephone use, turn it on now
to receive sound directly to your hearing aid.



All children are welcome and encouraged to participate in worship.
Clipboards, children's Bibles and books to borrow during worship are located at the entrances.

The asterisks (*) invite you to stand in body or in spirit.

We Gather

TIME FOR PREPARATION

O Lord, you have searched me and known me. You know when I sit down and when I rise up; you discern my thoughts from far away. You search out my path and my lying down, and are acquainted with all my ways. Even before a word is on my tongue, O Lord, you know it completely. You hem me in, behind and before, and lay your hand upon me. Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; it is so high that I cannot attain it.

Psalm 139:1-6

PRELUDE

My Comfort by Day, My Song in the Night
Fred Gaul, organist

Gilbert M. Martin

CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

We Praise God

CALL TO WORSHIP

Bill McCoy

*HYMN OF PRAISE 468

In My Life

LORD, BE GLORIFIED

*PRAYER OF ADORATION

Bill McCoy

*RESPONSE 743

O God, You Are My God

STEP BY STEP

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Ginna Taylor

Leader: God, You created us with mouths to speak.

For the times this past week when we used angry, hurting words rather than kind ones,

All: Forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.

Leader: When we forgot to tell about the good that others do,
but were quick to point out their shortcomings,

All: Forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.

Leader: When we heard ourselves laugh *at* people instead of *with* them,

All: Forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.

Please continue to pray silently.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

WELCOME AND CELEBRATION OF FRIENDSHIP

Bill McCoy

Please sign the friendship pad placed at pew's end, so we may greet each other by name.

ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

Bill McCoy and Aaron Alexander

Ordination and Installation of Elders

Mike Abernethy

Sara Joseph*

Taylor Raab

David Campbell

Debbe Moredock*

Karen Reed

Sallie Daugherty

Bill Mullett

Tim Spears

Art Doumaux†

Dave Pitchford

Monty Warner†

Ordination and Installation of Deacons

Joyce Baker

Ritchie Heath

Joan Steven†

Bill Bone

Jeanne Javins*

Susan Watkins

Mark Brand

Pam Kuyk†

Betsy Willis

Laura Ceperley*

Jim Scherr

Patty Wolfe*

Linda Elliott†

Bill Snider

Phil Wright*†

Recognition of Commissioned Trustees: Marty Becker and Charlie Capito

*Being ordained and installed

†Filling an unexpired term

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

Sallie Daugherty

*PASSING THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

We Declare our Faith

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Apostles' Creed

GINNA TAYLOR

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.

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

HYMN 581

*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.*

We Give Thanks to God

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Bill McCoy

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 and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

OFFERINGS OF THE PEOPLE

Offertory Anthem

If Thou But Suffer God to Guide Thee

Neumark, arr. Lindh

*If thou but suffer God to guide thee and hope in Him through all thy ways.
He'll give thee strength, whate'er betide thee, and bear thee through the evil days.
Who trusts in God's unchanging love builds on the Rock that naught can move.*

*Only be still and wait His leisure in cheerful hope with heart content
To take whate'er thy Father's pleasure and all-discerning love hath sent.
Nor doubt our inmost wants are known to Him Who chose us for His own.*

*Sing, pray, and keep His ways unswerving. In all thy labor faithful be.
And trust His Word, though undeserving, thou yet shalt find it true for thee.
God never yet forsook in need the soul that trusts in Him indeed.*

The Geneva Choir

*Doxology

*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

GINNA TAYLOR

We can never match Your generosity, O God, but we bring our offerings to You in faith this day, praying that You will receive them and multiply their effectiveness for the sake of Your kingdom, in Christ's name. Amen.

The Word is Proclaimed

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON	Job 9:1-10; Pew Bible, OT, p. 459	Bill McCoy
EPISTLE LESSON	1 Corinthians 6:12-20; Pew Bible, NT, p. 169	
GOSPEL LESSON	John 1:43-51; Pew Bible, NT, p. 92	Bill McCoy
SERMON	Signs and Wonders	Bill McCoy
*CONCLUDING HYMN 32	I Sing the Mighty Power of God	ELLECOMBE
*INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP AND BENEDICTION		Bill McCoy
*HYMN OF PARTING		HYMN 541

*God be with you till we meet again. Loving counsels guide, uphold you,
with a shepherd's care enfold you. God be with you till we meet again.*

POSTLUDE	Lead On, O King Eternal Fred Gaul, organist	Lani Smith
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We gather to worship,
We scatter to serve,
In the relentless love of Christ.

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• *In worship leadership last Sunday:* We thank Sam Keller for chiming the Trinity and Kiera Daugherty
• and Ruth Odin for serving as acolytes during worship January 7.
• *Restrooms and water fountains* are found through the double doors to the left of the chancel; please
• accompany children.
• *Childcare:* Nursery and Rooms 112 and 114
• *Elder visitation:* David Campbell, Andy Ceperley, Joann Daley
• *The flowers in the Sanctuary* today remind us that Phil and Susan Hereford have given a contribution to
• the Hunger Fund for the Glory of God and in loving memory of Joe and Nancy Hereford.
• *Greeters today:* Bonnie Brothers, Naomi Krieg, Brian and Pam Healy
• *We are thankful* for the generous gifts given to our Recreational Gift and Memorial Fund.
• PLEASE FEEL FREE TO KEEP THIS BULLETIN OR DROP IT IN THE RECYCLING BOX AS YOU EXIT. THANK YOU!
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