First Presbyterian Church Organized May 25, 1822

With Christ as our Savior and Guide, We seek to know God's love and share it With each other, our community, and the world. We invite you to join us in this journey of discipleship!

Rev. Dr. Gregory L. Glover, Pastor

Third Sunday after Epiphany January 22, 2017 GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

PRELUDE

A New Day Dawns arr. Ron Sprunger

GATHERING OF THE PEOPLE AND GREETING

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

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Jesus said: Repent, for the realm of heaven has come near. The Lord is my light and salvation; whom shall I fear? Jesus said: Follow me, and I will make you fish for people. My heart says: Go, and seek the face of God. Let us worship God.

*HYMN #401

"Gather Us In"

THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of glory, we confess that we have not sought your face. You call us to follow Jesus, but we are afraid to walk in faith. You call us to be one in Christ, but we continue to quarrel and fight. Forgive us; give us grace. As you have sent a Savior to us, send us out as witnesses: to show the wonder of your love in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Now hear our silent, personal prayers of confession...

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*GLORIA PATRI, HYMN #581

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

1 Peter 3:13-22 (p. 985)

ANTHEM

This Little Light of Mine

arr. Mark Patterson

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

**Children ages 4-5th grade leave for Children's Worship

ORGAN INTERLUDE

O, Gladsome Light

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING Matthew 5:13-16 (p. 786)

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

"Leading: Being Salt and Light"

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

*HYMN #767

"Together We Serve"

*Affirmation of Faith

The Apostles' Creed (Hymnal p.35)

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

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

The Offertory

Sun of My Soul arr. Gail Smith

*The Doxology, Hymn #606

*HYMN #192

"Shine, Jesus, Shine"

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*Postlude

Bourree from Firework Music

Handel

WORSHIP NOTES

Carolyn Riggins is today's liturgist.

Tabitha Lee is today's audio visual specialist.

*Please stand if you are able.

**Children's Worship is located in the Chapel outside of the church office.

THIS WEEK AT FPC

Sunday, January 22

9:00am Young Children's Music

4-6:00pm **Youth Groups**

5:00pm City Church

Monday, January 23

12:30pm **PW Lunch**

5:00pm **Theology of Tap** @ Shoney's

Tuesday, January 24

5:30pm **Yoga**

Wednesday, January 25

10:00am Bible Study group meets in the library

5:00pm Room at the Inn (AOC)

6:00pm **Handbells**

6:30pm Senior Highs @ Chick Fil A

7:00pm **Adult Choir**

Thursday, January 26 9:00am Yoga

10-12noon **Disciple 2 class** (library)

10:30am **Staff Meeting**

1-3:00pm **Disciple 3 class** (library)

Saturday, January 28

9:00am **Planning Day** (see announcement)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PLANNING DAY On Saturday, January 28, all of the committees and teams of the church will gather 9:00amnoon (with lunch at 11:30am) to plan the church's activities for 2017. This is a wonderful opportunity to check out an area of church life. Please consider joining one of the committees on this day to "observe" as members evaluate the year just past and begin to plan the ministries and events that will take place at FPC during the coming year. Our church is very blessed to have such strong volunteer leadership in every facet of our life together. Please consider making us even stronger through your contribution to one of our committees this year.

WEDDING GUILD will be meeting during Planning Day starting at 9:00am.

IN THE EVENT OF BAD WEATHER we encourage members to evaluate road conditions and decide whether or not to drive to worship. If it is necessary to cancel any Sunday events, we will request local news media make the info available to the public after 6 pm on Saturday. You can look on the Leaf Chronicle web site or listen to WJZM AM 1400, or check FirstPresbyterianChurch, Clarksville, TN on Facebook, and an announcement will be on Realm. When the public school system closes for dangerous conditions, the church will be closed for evening activities.

EMPTY BOWLS FPC has been asked to provide homemade cookies for dessert at Empty Bowls on February 28. We need volunteers to each provide 12 ziplock bags of homemade cookies (2-3 cookies per bag). The cookies need to be at the church on Sunday (Feb. 26) or Monday (Feb. 27). Contact Marcia Williams at 624-3493 with any questions.

LOOKING AHEAD:

February 14 Valentine's Day
February 20 Presidents' Day OFFICE CLOSED
February 28 Empty Bowls (see announcement)
March 3-5 NaCoMe Winter Retreat
March 12 Daylight Savings time begins
March 17-19 Women's Retreat
March 27-31 CMCSS Spring Break

1. Pray 2. Plan 3. Prepare 4. Pray

MEMBER/VISITOR INFORMATION CARD

Please complete and place in offering plate

10:00am Service	
Name:	
Address:	
Email:	
Telephone:	
☐ Member(s) ☐ Visitor(s)	
☐ Members please indicate if this is a c	change.
Are You Interested In (circle as many as	you like):
Fellowship Sunday School Smal	l Group Study
Meet with Pastor Baptism Mem	bership Choir
Other:	
Prayer Requests:	
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SERMON NOTES:

- 1. What personal experience do you have with the "e" word?
- 2. On a scale of 1 10, with 1 being most inwardly focused and 10 being most outwardly focused, where are you located most of the time? OK, now answer the question honestly.
- 3. Name one person whom God used you to influence this past year.
- 4. What one relationship might you improve next year by pursuing a strategy of active listening?
- 5. How would you describe your "default life" when you are not paying attention to God?