

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

Baptism of the Lord

January 7, 2018

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

PRELUDE "Be Thou With Me"
J.S. Bach

GATHERING OF THE PEOPLE AND GREETING

The LORD be with you.
And also with you.

*CALL TO WORSHIP

The Word became flesh and dwelt among us,
full of grace and truth.

We have beheld His glory. Alleluia!

This is the day that the Lord has made;

let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Let us worship God.

*HYMN #1 "Holy, Holy, Holy"

THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God, your true light has come into the world, blessing all upon whom it shines. Hope, peace, joy, and love are ours through the Incarnate Word. And yet we languish, O God. There is no peace in our hearts. We do not see the promises of the prophets fulfilled. Open us to the blessings that surround us, that we may again be moved to praise you, God of blinding light and gentle power.

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 Exodus 3:1-12; 4:10-17
(p.44)

ANTHEM "Thy Perfect Love"
John Ritter

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

***Children ages 4-3rd grade leave for Children's Worship*

INTERLUDE "Be Thou My Vision"

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING John 4:1-30, 39-42
(p.864)

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON "Just as I Am"
Rhonda Banasiak

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

*HYMN #442 "Just as I Am, Without One Plea"

*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 ""

*THE DOXOLOGY, HYMN #592

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*HYMN #65 "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"

*CHARGE & BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE "Fanfare"
Jacques Lemmen

WORSHIP NOTES

Maggie Brown is today's liturgist.

Tabitha Lee is today's audio-visual specialist.

Mark Ring is Music Director.

*Please stand if you are able.

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

Wifi

To connect and use Wifi while you are in the building:

Network: FPCGuest
Password: Welcome2fpc

THIS WEEK AT FPC

Sunday, January 7

9:00am Youth and Adult Sunday School Classes

Young Children's Music (until 9:15)

4:00pm Middle/High School groups at AOC

Monday, January 8

8:00am Men's Quarterly Breakfast (see announcement)

5:00pm Theology on Tap at Shoney's

Tuesday, January 9

12:30 Martha Circle

5:00pm Yoga

7:00pm Night Circle

Wednesday, January 10

5:00pm Room in the Inn

5:00pm Property Committee

6:30pm Senior Highs @ Chick Fil A

Thursday, January 11

9:00am Yoga

The Pastor's Bible classes, Disciple classes and evening classes will resume in February.

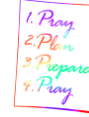
Come to **Second Sunday Lunch** immediately following worship **January 14** and meet **Dr. Mark Ring and his wife Beth**. Don't miss this opportunity to fellowship, eat a good meal and extend a warm welcome to our newest staff member.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

MEN'S QUARTERLY BREAKFAST All men, all ages, are invited to participate in our Quarterly Men's Breakfast on **Monday, January 8, 2018 at 8:00am** at Shoney's on the corner of Kraft and Second Streets to talk about life and faith! A brief devotional follows the meal.

UNITY SERVICE is January 15, 2018 at 6:00pm at the First Baptist Church, 435 Madison St., Clarksville, 2018 Theme: Together we win with love for humanity.

PLANNING DAY on Saturday, January 20, all the committees and teams of the church will gather 9:00am-noon (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.



DAVE RAMSEY FINANCIAL CLASS FPC will be hosting another Dave Ramsey class starting January 23, 2018 at 6 pm in the church library. The Christian Ed Committee is paying for the class materials so there is no cost to attendees. Contact Steve Gallaher to register at 302-985-1707.

HOSPITALITY COMMITTEE is looking for people to serve as greeters on Sunday mornings. You do not have to "join" this committee to be a greeter. Please contact Kristi Kimmell if you can help with this ministry.

SERVICE COMMITTEE is inviting all to consider working as an interviewer or clerk. The rewards are more than can be expressed!

YOGA's Tuesday evening class will begin at 5:00pm.

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 any changes if info.

Are You Interested In (circle as many as you like):

Fellowship Sunday School Small Group Study

Meet with Pastor Baptism Membership Choir

Other: _____

Prayer Requests: _____

LOOKING AHEAD:

January 14 Second Sunday Lunch

January 15 MLK Day, Office Closed

January 20 Planning Day

January 21 Ordination of Elders

January 23 Dave Ramsey Financial Peace Class begins