

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 13, 2019

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

PRELUDE "Arioso"
J. S. Bach

GATHERING OF THE PEOPLE AND GREETING
The LORD be with you.
And also with you.

*CALL TO WORSHIP

The voice of the Lord is over the waters.

The voice of the Lord is powerful.

The voice of the Lord is majestic.

The voice of the Lord breaks the mighty cedar trees.

The voice of the Lord thunders as the lightning flashes.

The voice of the Lord shakes the desert.

The voice of the Lord twists the giant oak trees.

And all God's people shout: Glory!

Let us worship God together.

*HYMN # 10 "Sing Glory to the Name of God"

THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, in baptism you promise forgiveness and new life, making us part of the body of Christ. We

confess that we remain preoccupied with ourselves and separated from one another. We cling to destructive habits, hold grudges, and are reluctant to welcome one another. We allow the past to hold us captive. In your loving-kindness, have mercy on us, and free us from sin. Fulfill the promises of our baptism so that we may rise to new life and live together in grace.

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 Isaiah 43:1-7 (p. 585)

ANTHEM "At The River"
-Aaron Copland

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

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

INTERLUDE

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING Luke 3:15-22 (p. 834)

Holy wisdom, holy word.

Thanks be to God

SERMON "The Voice of the Lord"

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

*HYMN #688 "Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart"

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *Apostles' Creed, pg. 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.

ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

THE OFFERTORY -Allister Banasiak, piano

*THE DOXOLOGY, HYMN #606

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*HYMN # 12 "Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"

*CHARGE & BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE "Coro, from Water Music"
-G. F. Handel

WORSHIP NOTES

Maggie Glenn is today's liturgist.

Tabitha Lee is today's audio-visual specialist.

Mark Ring is Director of Music/Organist.

Matt McNeill, Accompanist.

***Please stand if you are able.**

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

Note on Psalm 29: Seven is the biblical number that symbolizes perfection, so it is little wonder that Psalm 29 refers seven times to "The Voice of the Lord." Everywhere the Psalmist turns in creation, there is a concrete, powerful witness to the creative and redemptive grandeur of the Word of God. Though the Psalmist calls our attention to the terrible power of nature's storms and frightful wonders, he composes

the Psalm for us to sing together in the relative calm of worship in the sanctuary. (Where the loudest sounds may be those of the organ or the preacher's voice!) The Psalm's images naturally point Christians to the Savior who walked on water, the one whose voice stilled the angry sea, called Lazarus from the tomb, and cast out demons. God's mighty voice became incarnate in Jesus; in him, God's voice is given perfect expression. Psalm 29 is featured in two of our hymns, #10 "Sing Glory to the Name of God" and #259 "The God of Heaven." Today we incorporate the Psalm's seven-fold reference to "The Voice of the Lord" in our responsive Call to Worship.

THIS WEEK AT FPC

Sunday, January 13

9:00am Children/Youth/Adult Sunday School Classes

9:00-9:15am Children's Music

Second Sunday Lunch/Ordination of Officers

Monday, January 14

5:00pm Theology on Tap @ Guadalajara on Riverside

Tuesday, January 15

5:00pm Yoga

Wednesday, January 16

10:00am Bible Study

6:00pm Handbells

6:30pm Senior Highs @ Chick Fil A

7:00pm Adult Choir

Thursday, January 17

8:30am Yoga

Noon Staff Meeting

Saturday, January 19

5:00pm Room in the Inn

LOOKING AHEAD:

January 20, Youth Group Activity

January 21, MLK. Jr. Birthday/Office Closed

Unity Service (see announcement)

January 26, Planning Day! (see announcement)

February 10, Second Sunday Lunch/Town Hall Meeting

February 18, Presidents' Day/Office Closed

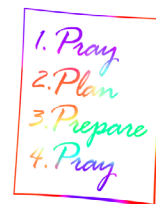
February 26, Empty Bowls (see announcement)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The annual **UNITY WORSHIP SERVICE** honoring the late Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. will be on **Monday, January 21 at 6:00 pm** at **Immaculate Conception Church at 716 Franklin Street**. The Unity Service is hosted by CAMA, the Clarksville Area Ministerial Association. Anyone interested in participating in the Unity Choir is invited to contact June Esquelin at juniebunie@gmail.com for information and rehearsals. Area Non-Profits are invited to bring material for tables which will be available on the side walls of the church before and after the service. A freewill offering will be collected for scholarships for graduating high school seniors accepted to a college or trade school. For additional information on the Unity Service or CAMA, please visit www.camaonline.org or contact Rev. Steve Wolf, CAMA President at 931-645-6275, ext.102 or etc@idjc.org

Come to **PLANNING DAY 2019, Saturday, January 26 @ 9:00 am** in the Fellowship Hall to receive a brief report about initiatives under way and to help us plan every aspect of our life together this year! All committees and teams of the church will gather 9:00am-noon (with lunch at 11:30am) to plan the church's activities for 2019. This is a wonderful opportunity to check out an area of church life about which you have been curious, but into which you haven't yet dipped your toe in the water to try. 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 First Presbyterian Church during the coming year. Our church is very blessed to have such strong volunteer leadership in every facet of our life together.

FPC Social Media Links:
Instagram: [fpcclarksvilletn](https://www.instagram.com/fpcclarksvilletn)
Facebook: [@FPCClarksville](https://www.facebook.com/FPCClarksville)
Twitter: [clarksvillefpc](https://twitter.com/clarksvillefpc)



MEMBER/VISITOR INFORMATION CARD

Please complete and place in offering plate

10:00am Service

Name: _____

Member(s) 1st Time Visitor(s) Visitor(s)

Address: _____

Email: _____

Telephone: _____

Members indicate if this is a change in information.

I am interested in membership, baptism, or a meeting with the pastor (please circle which one(s)).

Other: _____

Prayer Requests: _____

TIME TO PURCHASE TICKETS!

Empty Bowls is a nationwide grassroots event to fight hunger and raise awareness for those around us who don't know where their next meal will come from. The proceeds benefit Loaves & Fishes and Urban Ministries. **First Presbyterian Church will again host a dinner location for Empty Bowls on Tuesday Feb. 26 from 4:30-7:00pm.** We will offer several different soups, bread, a dessert and drink and upon exit you will be able to pick a beautiful hand painted bowl to take home. Tickets are \$15 and available in the church office, from Kris Foust or you can purchase through [Eventbrite.com](https://www.eventbrite.com) (specify our church location).

PRESCHOOL is seeking a music teacher for the morning preschool program. Contact Mary Linn Sadler, Director, 931-645-0313 or mlsadler7@hotmail.com.