

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

Fifth Sunday after Epiphany

February 10, 2019

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

PRELUDE "Andante Tranquillo"
Felix Mendelssohn

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

*CALL TO WORSHIP

In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple. Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. And one called to another and said:

**Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts;
the whole earth is full of God's glory!**

Let us worship God together.

*HYMN #714 "God of the Fertile Fields"

THE CALL TO CONFESSION (RESPONSIVE)

The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke. And I said:
Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a person of unclean lips,

**and I live among a people of unclean lips;
yet my eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts!**
We are people of unclean lips who serve a God of abundant grace.

Let us confess our sins together before God and one another.

THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Holy God, you call us to lives of service. Forgive us
when we do not respond in faith.
Forgive us of our action and inaction and lead us to
be your faithful disciples.**

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 Psalm 138:1-8 (p. 503)

ANTHEM "If With All Your Hearts"
Felix Mendelssohn

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

INTERLUDE

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING James 3:1-18 (p. 981)

Holy wisdom, holy word.

Thanks be to God

SERMON "Taming the Tongue"

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

*HYMN #694 "Great God of Every Blessing"

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Nicene Creed
(hymnal, p. 34)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

THE OFFERTORY "Psalm 138"

*THE DOXOLOGY, HYMN #606

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*HYMN #724 "O Jesus, I have Promised"

*CHARGE & BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE "Allegro Maestoso"
Felix Mendelssohn

WORSHIP NOTES

Dan Aiken is today's liturgist.

Rick Prall 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 138: The first of eight psalms in a row ascribed to David, forming a "Mini Davidic Psalter." It is a psalm of thanks and praise that resonates with the Lord's Prayer..."thy kingdom come on earth as in heaven." Calvin says, "The solemn assembly is, so to speak, a heavenly theater....Believers in drawing near to God are withdrawn from the world and rise to heaven in the enjoyment of fellowship with angels." It is not that we must look toward a physical temple or gather in a church building for worship to take place--we can worship anywhere in spirit and in truth--but because these places are dedicated and consecrated to God, they become especially meaningful for us as contexts for hearing God's Word and comprehending God's mercy, truth, faithfulness, and love. Even more remarkable is this: though God dwells in highest heaven, God draws near to the lowliest person on earth. Thinking of Jesus, the

Christian remembers that God came down to save us in the incarnation. The psalm concludes with the assurance that since God has begun a work of divine goodness in our lives, God will certainly bring it to a successful termination and conclusion. For this we can give thanks even before the end arrives.

Boy Scout Sunday

THIS WEEK AT FPC

Sunday, February 10 Second Sunday Lunch/Town Hall right after service

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

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

2:00-4:00pm Young Adults Valentine's Day Party (see announcement)

4:00pm Youth Group Activity

Monday, February 11

5:00pm Theology on Tap (see announcement)

Tuesday, February 12

12:30pm Martha Circle

2:00pm Congregational Care

5:00pm Yoga

7:00pm Night Circle

Wednesday, February 13

10:00am Bible Study

6:00pm Handbells

6:30pm Youth @CFA

7:00pm Adult Choir

Thursday, February 14 Valentine's Day

8:30am Yoga

Noon Staff Meeting

Saturday, February 16

5:00pm Room in the Inn

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please plan on attending the **PW LUNCHEON on February 25, 2019 at 12:30 pm**. Mickey Daughtery will be speaking about her life journey. Charene and Wendy will be providing the meal. Hope to see you there. Sign-ups are in

the bulletin (tear-off), on the PW bulletin board or through the church office. Please choose one and only one time.

Thank you.

TIME TO PURCHASE EMPTY BOWLS 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 (specify our church location). Presbyterian Women are involved with the Empty Bowls project! We are asking women to bring homemade cookies/bars, two to a bag, to church Sunday, February 24 or Monday, February 25.

THEOLOGY ON TAP is a group that meets each **Monday at 5pm** at Guadalajara Restaurant on Riverside Drive. Come join us for an informal gathering exchanging beliefs and ideas concerning spiritual issues in our modern world! For more information, contact Bill Moser at 358-9638.

YOUNG ADULTS are hosting a Valentine's Day Party at Arcadia tonight!

ANNUAL WOMEN'S RETREAT Ladies, it is time to mark your calendars for this year's retreat! We are excited to once again be staying at Montgomery Bell State Park. Our retreat will be **Friday, March 15 through Sunday, March 17**. We will be studying a Lenten curriculum this year, Adam Hamilton's Final Words From the Cross. Rhonda Banasiak and Karen Goggin will be leading us in this program, and Laura Black will be back for fun and games! The cost will run about \$103 for the full weekend in a regular room (not including food). If you have any questions, please contact Rhonda Banasiak at (931) 980-8184. The sign-up sheet is outside the church office on the table.

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 will attend **PW Lunch** I need child care

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

Other: _____

Prayer Requests: _____

LOOKING AHEAD:

February 18, Presidents' Day/Office Closed

February 25, PW Luncheon (see announcement)

February 26, Empty Bowls (see announcement)

February 27, Room in the Inn

March 3, Showers of Love

March 6, Ash Wednesday

March 10, Second Sunday Lunch

March 15, Women's Retreat (see announcement)

March 25-29, Spring Break!

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