

Sunday Worship

November 24, 2013

*"In Your will is our peace;
In Your love is our rest;
In Your service is our joy."*

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

PRELUDE

GATHERING OF THE PEOPLE AND GREETING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Almighty God, you are infinite, eternal and unchangeable, glorious in holiness, full of love and compassion, abundant in grace and truth. Your works everywhere praise you, and your glory is revealed in Jesus Christ our Savior. Therefore we praise you, blessed and holy Trinity, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

* HYMN #551 "Come, Ye Thankful People, Come"

THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.

In your mercy forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name.

Now hear our silent, personal confessions...

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

* GLORIA PATRI Hymn #579

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Exodus 16:9-26 (page 55)

ANTHEM (11:00) "Festive Praise" by Allen Pote

Howard Scudder, trumpet

*"Sing to the Lord a song of praise, a wonderful, marvelous song.
Come, rejoice! As you sing, you will lift up your voices in
praise and thanksgiving to God."*

CHILDREN'S MOMENT I Thessalonians 5:16-18

STEWARDSHIP OFFERING Randy Kelley

ORGAN INTERLUDE

GOSPEL LESSON Mark 6:30-44 (page 818)

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON "The Multiplying Miracle of Thanksgiving"

"The disciples said, 'We have nothing here but five loaves and two fish.' Jesus said, 'Bring them here to me.'"

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

* HYMN #559 "We Gather Together"

* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *Apostles' Creed*, hymnal page #14

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

The Offertory

* The Doxology, Hymn #592

* Prayers of Dedication

* HYMN #555 "Now Thank We All Our God"

* CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

* CHORAL RESPONSE AND POSTLUDE

WORSHIP NOTES

Doug Hildreth is the Elder of the Day. **Sue Reynolds** is the liturgist.

Next Sunday, our newly called pastor, the Rev. Dr. Gregory Glover, will be our preacher. His message on this First Sunday of Advent will be, "A Christmas Promise from the Top of Tennessee", from Isaiah 2:1-5 and Matthew 24:36-44.

We welcome Andrea Handley to our worship today, as she and Carol Shippen will be offering piano and organ duets on Thanksgiving themes for Prelude and Postlude. Andrea

currently serves as Organist and Handbell Director at Trinity United Methodist Church in Wilmette, IL. We also thank **Howard Scudder** for the inspiration of his trumpet on this special day.

‡ **Please sign and pass the Friendship Pad** found at the end of your pew. Write prayer concerns and/or notes to the church office on the cards found in your pew rack and place them in the offering plate.

*** If you are able, please stand.**

THIS WEEK AT FIRST

Sunday, November 24

Angel Tree - We have the opportunity to share God's love and our good fortune with some children right here in Clarksville. We will once again participate in the Angel Tree project organized by the Salvation Army. The "tree" will be hanging in the hall outside the church. Please select an angel, return your unwrapped gift with the paper angel attached ASAP but no later than Sunday, December 8. Gifts will be collected in the history room.

9:45 am Pastor Dave's Reception in the fellowship hall.

4-6:00 pm Senior High & Middle School Youth Groups meet.

Monday, November 25

9:00 am PW Deborah Circle meets.

5:00 pm Theology on Tap at the Guadalajara Grill.

Tuesday, November 26

5:30 pm Yoga in the fellowship hall.

Wednesday, November 27

No Bible Study meeting.

12:00 noon Deadline to sign up for the PW luncheon.

No Senior High meeting.

Thursday, November 28 and Friday, November 29

Church Office closed.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

On December 1, we will have a brief reception in the fellowship hall following both services. This will be a great opportunity to meet our new pastor Greg Glover and his family! At the reception we would like to take your family photo as you go through the line. The photos will be given to Greg to help him begin to put faces with names in the weeks to come. Greg's first day in the office will be Monday, January 6.

Anyone wishing to host a small group gathering to meet Greg in January, February, or March, please contact any member of

the Pastor Nominating Committee (Rhonda Banasiak, Don Beck, Kelly Duncan, Steve Griffey, Susan Marks, Sam Mills, Diane Miner, Scott Sitter, Vicki Wallace).

The Christian Education Committee will be presenting our children with, "Our Family Christmas: An Advent Devotional" next Sunday, November 24. If you would like to purchase a copy of the book for your friends or family, please contact Maggie Brown in the church office. The cost for one of these lovely books is \$7.00.

Decorating for Advent - Everyone is invited to join the Worship Committee in decorating and hanging greenery beginning at 9 am on Saturday, November 30.

Young Women's Book Study of "One Thousand Gifts" by Ann Voskamp will begin meeting this fall. The time and location will be determined after reviewing the schedules of those who want to participate. If you are interested, please email: margaretwallace87@gmail.com.

Presbyterian Women will help Loaves & Fishes with their Jingle Bells Food Drive in December. Please bring canned goods and/or monetary gifts to the PW Christmas luncheon on Dec. 2 or drop off donations to the church office during the first week of December.

The PW Luncheon will be Monday, Dec. 2, 12:30 pm. All women are invited to join us for a devotional, good food, fellowship, and a program of Christmas music with Leo Adames. We will also have the story of Mizpah. Please make reservations for lunch and child care by signing up on the bulletin board no later than Wed. Nov. 27. Menu: baked ham with mashed potatoes, green bean bundles, dinner rolls, pecan pie, coffee, tea, and lemonade.

To listen to recorded worship services, go to fpccarkville.org. **We need family members' birthdays!** The year of birth is optional for adults. Leave a note in the offering plate or email Neesa Trotter at fpccarkville@gmail.com.

Presbyterian Prayer Chain - If you want to share a concern or celebration with members of our FPC prayer group, contact Ann Waddle at waddleiread@gmail.com.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

Classes meet each Sunday from 9:45 am to 10:45 am. Nursery is provided for infants on the 2nd floor.

Children & Youth Classes Location Curriculum

2's - Kindergarteners	2nd floor	<i>We Believe</i>
1st - 12th Graders	4th floor	<i>We Believe</i> and Confirmation

Adult Classes Location Curriculum

Brotherhood (men)	3rd floor	<i>The Present Word</i>
Explorers (men/women)	2nd floor	<i>Disciple</i> series
Friendship (women)	3rd floor	<i>The Present Word</i>
Gospel (men/women)	3rd floor library	<i>Feasting on the Word</i> and other sources

ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE

- Nov. 30** 9:00 am Hanging of greenery and decorating of the church for Christmas and Advent (volunteers are needed)
- Dec. 1** Greg Glover, our new Pastor leads worship
- Dec. 2** 7:00 am Men's Breakfast at Shoney's on Kraft Street.
- Dec. 2** 12:30 pm PW Luncheon
- Dec. 8** 4:30 pm Christmas Cantata
5:30 pm Christmas Potluck Dinner (the church provides ham, turkey, dressing, gravy, creamed potatoes, corn casseroles, rolls, drinks. The rest of the meal will be covered dish. Each dish should be 10-12 servings. If your last name begins with:
A-L, please bring an extra large vegetable dish
M-Q, please bring an extra large dessert
R-Z, please bring an extra large salad dish
- Dec. 15** 10:30 am Children's Christmas Musical in the sanctuary
12:10 pm Advent Craft Fair in the fellowship hall. There is no cost for the crafts and a light lunch will be available.
- Dec. 21** 9:00 am Christmas Food Baskets will be packed in the fellowship hall with delivery to follow. A list of what you can donate will be in the December Newsletter.
- Dec. 22** 10:30 am Children's Nativity Pageant in the sanctuary.
- Dec. 24** Christmas Eve Candlelighting Services at 4:30 and 6:00 pm

WINTER SUNDAY SCHOOL APPETIZER

Heaven or Hell: What is your final destination?
- all taught by Rhonda Banasiak, based on Erasing Hell by F. Chan and Love Wins by R. Bell

Week 1 - January 12
Week 2 - January 19
Week 3 - January 26



First Presbyterian Church

*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!*

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