



**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*

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**Second Sunday after Epiphany  
Celebrating the Sacrament of Baptism  
January 20, 2019**

**GATHERING AROUND THE WORD**

PRELUDE "Adoration"  
Florence B. Price

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

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

God's steadfast love extends to the heavens; God's  
faithfulness to the clouds.

**Christ turns the water into wine, sorrow into joy.**

The Spirit is the fountain of water and life. In the Spirit's  
light, we see light.

**God is the author of all our gifts, bound together in  
the body of Christ.**

Let us worship God together.

\*HYMN #339 "Lift Every Voice and Sing"

THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**You are a God of grace and good gifts. Forgive us  
when we do not recognize your grace: when we do not  
hear your Spirit calling and challenging us. Forgive us**

**when we do not live as people of grace: when we are  
quick to judgment and slow to compassion. Forgive us  
when we do not believe in the depth of your grace:  
when we doubt whether we are good enough to be  
loved. Forgive us, God of grace. Wash us in your mercy  
and move us to new life.**

**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 62:1-5 (p. 604)

ANTHEM "Stop By, Lord"  
Doris Wesley Bettis

CHILDREN'S MOMENT  
*\*\*Children ages 4-4<sup>th</sup> grade leave for Children's Worship*

INTERLUDE

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING James 1:1-18 (p. 980)

Holy wisdom, holy word.

**Thanks be to God**

SERMON "Steady under Stress"

**RESPONDING TO THE WORD**

\*HYMN #477 "Thy Mercy and Thy Truth, O Lord"

\*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.**

BAPTISM Bowen Phillip Glenn  
Song "This Child In My Arms"  
Leo Adames

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

THE OFFERTORY "I Want Jesus to Walk With Me"  
African-American Spiritual

\*THE DOXOLOGY, HYMN #606

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

\*HYMN #318 "In Christ There Is No East or West"

\*CHARGE & BENEDICTION

\*POSTLUDE Postlude on "Wade In the Water"

**WORSHIP NOTES**

**Mark Banasiak** 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 36:** There are two ways or paths through this  
life: the path of the wicked (no respect for God, not aware of  
sin, no regard for truth, convinced that sinful schemes will  
succeed, admiring rather than avoiding evil) and the path of  
the righteous (living in covenant with God; living under God's  
righteous judgments; affirming that God is Creator and  
Sustainer, the Provider for all our needs; living in the light of

God's word and revelation). The Psalm recalls and commends God's astonishing care for all people--even all creatures. How we receive God's goodness and lordship reveals what is truly in our heart--and which path we are currently traveling through life. This week the heart of Psalm 36 shows up in parts of the Call to Worship and the Prayer of Confession, as well as the sermon hymn #477 "Thy Mercy and Thy Truth, O Lord." Both the imagery and the theme of this Psalm make it appropriate for a Sunday on which we celebrate the sacrament of baptism.

### THIS WEEK AT FPC

**Sunday, January 20 (MLK Sunday, see below)**  
9:00am **Children/Youth/Adult Sunday School Classes**  
9:00-9:15am **Children's Music**  
4:00pm **Youth Group Activity (see announcement)**  
**Monday, January 21 MLK DAY OFFICE CLOSED**  
6:00pm **Unity Service (see announcement)**  
**Tuesday, January 22**  
5:00pm **Yoga**  
**Wednesday, January 23**  
10:00am **Bible Study**  
6:00pm **Handbells**  
6:30pm **Youth @CFA**  
7:00pm **Adult Choir**  
**Thursday, January 24**  
8:30am **Yoga**

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

On this **MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.** weekend, we honor the rich and ongoing heritage of African-American musicians. Florence Beatrice Price was the first African-American woman to have her music performed by a major orchestra, the Chicago Symphony. Doris Wesley Bettis of Mobile, Alabama, has been an active composer and minister for over 30 years. "Lift Every Voice and Sing" is the unofficial anthem of the American civil rights movement.

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.**

#### PARENTS OF YOUTH!

As we start a New Year, **parents of young people in grades 6-12** are invited for a time of fellowship and food on **Sunday, January 20, from 4-6!** While the young people are together, what better time for parents to get together and discuss the coming year, as well as the joys and tribulations of having a **teenager!!** Kelly and Marshall Duncan will serve as hosts for the evening, meeting at the AOC at 4, and then (weather-permitting) walking over to Strawberry Alley for food and fellowship.

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.



**PRESCHOOL is seeking a music teacher for the morning preschool program.** Contact Mary Linn Sadler, Director, 931-645-0313 or [milsadler7@hotmail.com](mailto:milsadler7@hotmail.com).

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### MEMBER/VISITOR INFORMATION CARD

Please complete and place in offering plate  
10:00am Service

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Member(s)  1<sup>st</sup> 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: \_\_\_\_\_

#### LOOKING AHEAD:

**January 21**, MLK, Jr. Birthday/Office Closed  
**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)  
**March 6**, Ash Wednesday

#### 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).