

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

Third Sunday after Epiphany

January 26, 2020

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

PRELUDE "Allegro Maestoso"
Felix Mendelssohn

GATHERING OF THE PEOPLE AND GREETING

The LORD be with you.
And also with you.

*CALL TO WORSHIP

The Lord is my light and my salvation;
whom shall I fear?

The Lord is the stronghold of my life;
of whom shall I be afraid?

From our daily labors, the Lord summons us.

Freed from fear, we are bold to follow.

"Come! I will make you fishers of people."

We respond with gratitude and praise!

Let us worship God together!

*HYMN # 1 "Holy, Holy, Holy"

THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

On the bustling shores of Galilee, Jesus called Peter and Andrew, James and John. Immediately, they dropped their nets. Immediately, they abandoned their boats. Immediately, these fishermen-turned-followers set

out to fish for people. Christ, you also call to us. But we are slow to set aside the mundane tasks that shape our lives, slow to abandon the weak excuses that we recite to drown out your voice, slow to drop the daily demands that compete for our attention. Call to us again, we pray, and summon us to lives of gracious service. Fashion us into faithful followers who hear Christ's commands and respond with courage and compassion, so that we might proclaim the reign of God.

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 I Corinthians 1:10-18 (p. 926)

ANTHEM "The Lord Bless You and Keep You"
John Rutter

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

** Children PreK-Elementary leave for Children's Worship

INTERLUDE

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING Matthew 4:12-23 (p. 785)

Holy wisdom, holy word.
Thanks be to God

SERMON "Fishy"

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

*HYMN #720 "Jesus Calls Us"

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *Confession of 1967*
(9.15, Adapted)

God's sovereign love is a mystery beyond the reach of the human mind. Human thought ascribes to God superlatives of power, wisdom, and goodness. But God reveals divine love in Jesus Christ by showing power in the form of a servant, wisdom in the folly of the cross, and goodness in receiving sinful men and women. The power of God's love in Christ to transform the world discloses that the Redeemer is the Lord and Creator who made all things to serve the purpose of God's love.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

THE OFFERTORY "Be Thou My Vision"

*THE DOXOLOGY, HYMN #606

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*HYMN# 15 "All Creatures of Our God and King"

*CHARGE & BENEDECTION

*POSTLUDE "Symphony V: Toccata"
Charles-Marie Widor

WORSHIP NOTES

Sarah Hedstrom is today's liturgist.

Ethan McCrary is today's audio-visual specialist.

Douglas Ferguson is today's IT Web specialist.

Dr. Mark Ring is Director of Music/Organist.

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

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

THIS WEEK AT FPC

Sunday, January 26

9:00am **Adult & Children's Sunday School Classes**

10am **Worship**

11am **Meet and Greet for Everyone**

4-6pm **Youth Groups**

Monday, January 27

5:00pm **Theology on Tap/Don Pablo's**

Tuesday, January 28

5pm **Yoga**

Wednesday, January 29

10am **Bible Study with Pastor**

5pm **Family Activity Night (see announcement)**

6pm **Handbells**

7pm **Senior Highs at CFA on Madison**

7pm **Adult Choir**

Thursday, January 30

8:30am **Yoga**

9:30am **Pickleball**

12pm **Staff Meeting**

MEET & GREET IN THE CHAPEL. Join us for a special time of fellowship in the Chapel right after worship. Light refreshments will be served. This is a great opportunity to touch base with each other and meet new members & visitors.

YOUNG ADULT BRUNCH Join us every third Sunday of each month! We meet after the service, in the chapel and head out together to a nearby restaurant! Childcare is provided in our Nursery.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

FAMILY ACTIVITY NIGHT, January 29 @ 5pm. Join us for dinner and then stay for a class in Finances conducted by Ross Peay. Pastor Greg will continue his discussion on John Knox and the Scottish Reformation. There will be fun activities for the children as well!

MID DAY BIBLE STUDY AND INFORMATION SHARING, February 4 and continuing each Tuesday @ **12 Noon at Greenhill Church/311 Walker Street in Clarksville.** Coffee and snacks will be served! This is a Mid Week Bible Study and a chance for seniors to fellowship, grow spiritually, and also become educated on various 'hot topics for seniors'. The Bible Study will be held in the community room so enter the church through the side entrance. We will be using "Bible Studies for Life", Senior Adults. The book can be purchased from LifeWay online for about \$13.

12th ANNUAL EMPTY BOWLS CLARKSVILLE, February 25. There will be three lunch sites and 5 dinner sites this year. First Presbyterian will be hosting a dinner site beginning at **4:30-7pm.** The dinner will include soup, bread, dessert, and a hand painted bowl. Tickets can be purchased through the church office or online at BIDPAL.NET/EB20. Proceeds will be benefitting Urban Ministries, Loaves & Fishes, and Food Initiative. Contact Kris Foust if you would like to volunteer.



WE are on the lookout for volunteers for our Children's Sunday School classes.

Please contact Dianne York @ pdslyork@gmail.com if you are interested in volunteering!

MEMBER/VISITOR INFORMATION CARD

Please complete and place in offering plate

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: _____

I am interested in the Children/Youth Programs. Please list name(s) & age(s) of children.

Prayer Requests: _____

LOOKING AHEAD:

February 2 Showers of Love

February 9 Second Sunday Lunch

February 11 Martha Circle

Congregational Care Meeting

Historic Preservation Meeting

Night Circle

February 16 Young Adult "Gathering" Brunch

Music @ Grace/Les Kerr & the Bayou Band

February 25 Empty Bowls Dinner (see announcement)

March 13-15 Women's Retreat @ NaCoMe (see below)

SAVE THE DATE!! Our annual Women's Retreat will be the weekend of March 13-15. We will have a weekend full of devotions, fun, and fellowship! This year's retreat is at NaCoMe. Sign-ups will be limited to 15 overnight guests. Saturday only guests are also welcomed! Cost TBA. Look for the sign-up sheet in February.