

JANUARY 12, 2020 · 10:00 AM

() Those who are able, please stand. Large print hymnals, bulletins, Bibles & wireless hearing aids are available. Ask an usher. Members, please wear your name tag.*

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE "Holy Spirit, Truth Divine" arr Floyd

CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 29)

Leader Ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.

People.... Ascribe to the LORD the glory of his name; worship the LORD in holy splendor.

Leader The voice of the LORD is powerful; the voice of the LORD is full of majesty.

People.... The LORD sits enthroned as King forever.

Leader: ... May the LORD give strength to his people!

All May the LORD bless his people with peace!

*HYMN "Open My Eyes That I May See" # 324

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION Leader: Liz Clough

Invitation

Unison Prayer

Merciful God, you pardon all who truly repent and turn to you. We humbly confess our sins and ask your mercy.

We have not loved you with a pure heart, nor have we loved our neighbor as ourselves. We have not done justice, loved kindness, or walked humbly with you, our God. Have mercy on us, O God, in your loving-kindness.

In your great compassion, cleanse us from our sin. Create in us a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within us. Do not cast us from your presence or take your Holy Spirit from us.

Restore to us the joy of your salvation and sustain us with your bountiful Spirit.

Silent Confession

Declaration of Pardon

Sharing God's Peace

Response "Baptized in Water" # 492 (v2)

Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit, dead in the tomb with Christ our king; One with his rising, freed and forgiven thankfully now God's praise we sing.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

NEW TESTAMENT READING Acts 10:34-43

"The Word of the Lord / Thanks be to God!" NT Page 99 (LP 157)

ANTHEM "Lord, I Stretch My Hands to You" Jay Althouse

Lord, I stretch my hands to you; no other help I know.
If you should leave me all alone, where, then, shall I go?
Oh, Lord, I give my soul to you; I seek your care and love.
No other blessings do I need but those from you above.

Lord, I ask you: give me faith, and help me understand.
And, Lord, when I this life shall leave, just hold me in your hand.

Lord, I stretch my hands to you; no other help I know.
If you should leave me all alone, where, then, shall I go?
Oh, Lord, I stretch my hands to you. Amen.

GOSPEL READING Matthew 3:13-17

"The Word of the Lord / Thanks be to God!" NT Page 2 (LP 3)

CHILDREN'S TALK Mary Grow

SERMON Donna Schonewetter

*HYMN "Holy Spirit, Truth Divine" # 321

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH Apostles' Creed
(See Laminated Pew Cards)

OFFERING

Invitation

Offertory Music "Shall We Gather at the River" arr Wood

Song of Praise "Baptized in Water" # 492 (v3)

Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit,
marked with the sign of Christ our king;

Born of the spirit, we are God's children joyfully now God's praise we sing

*Prayer of Dedication

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Sharing Joys & Concerns

Choral Prayer

Silent Prayer

Prayers of Intercession and The Lord's Prayer

...See Laminated Pew Cards for the Lord's Prayer

*HYMN "Called As Partners in Christ's Service" # 343

*BENEDICTION See Laminated Pew Cards concluding with...

Leader: . Remember that God is good **People:All the time!**

*SUNG RESPONSE (Choir starts followed by Congregation)

Go with us, Lord, and guide the way Through this and every coming day,

That in Your Spirit strong and true Our lives may be our gift to You.

POSTLUDE "Toccata in F" Buxtehude

Special Thanks to Guest Preacher, Donna Schonewetter

Welcome Visitors. Please leave your contact info on the pink card that you find in the pew rack. Pick up a Visitor's brochure from the back or ask an Usher! Be sure to join us in the parlor after Worship for coffee break!

Mission Statement: First Presbyterian Church exists to improve our understanding of Christ; to spread His word and teachings; and to reach out to our church family, our community, and the world through acts of compassion, kindness, and love

A Staffed Nursery & Toddler Care Room is located on the 1st floor behind the sanctuary. We also offer an optional Quiet Room for parents with small children located in the sanctuary back

EVENTS THIS WEEK

Today....10:00 amWorship followed by Coffee Break in Parlor
Mon.....11:00 amPW Coordinating Team in parlor
Tues.....10:00 amCrafty Ladies & Prayer Shawl Group
Mission Closet open til noon & again at 1:30
7:00 pmWorship & Music Committee meets
Wed.....9:00 amRome Clergy meets in parlor
6:30 amBell Choir rehearses
7:30 pmSenior Choir rehearses
Thurs 1:30 pmMission Closet open til 3pm
3:00 pmBible Study in Library
BIB Packing at TUCC
5:30 pmCenter for Family Life & Recovery Dining Hall
Sat10:30 amUnity in Our Community "Asset Mapping"

NEXT SUNDAY ...Isaiah 49:1-7; John 1:29-42
3rd Sunday Pantry Collection

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Ushers are led by Carl Longley. Jan 19: Jay Fish

Layreader is Liz Clough. Jan 19: Brian Burke

Worship Recorder is Katrina Schell. Jan 19: John Nethaway

Deacon Ramp Duty is Carol Drumluk. Jan 19: Mary Grow

Weekly Congregation & Presbytery Prayer List: Nursery School Staff
Mary Lou Alguire, Kristen Stolo and their families; Theresa & Randy Vetter; Martha & David Burke; Sally Hinman and Moderator,
Presbytery -Stated Clerk, and Utica Presbytery Staff

UNITY IN OUR COMMUNITY THIS SATURDAY