

**SUNDAY, JANUARY 28, 2018 · 10:00 AM**

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

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE Voluntary on "Leoni" arr Hopson

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader .... Come! Let us give thanks to the Lord with whole hearts.

**People.... Reverence for God is the beginning of wisdom.**

Leader .... Glory be to the One whose wonders are to be remembered.

**People.... Reverence for God is the beginning of wisdom.**

Leader .... The Lord is gracious and full of compassion.

**People.... Reverence for God is the beginning of wisdom.**

Leader .... The Lord feeds the righteous with truth.

**People.... Reverence for God is the beginning of wisdom.**

**All ..... Come! Let us give thanks to God.**

\*HYMN "The God of Abraham Praise" # 488

\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION Leader: Jay Fish

Invitation

Unison Prayer

**Holy God, who commands all spirits,  
comforts those in distress, and casts out destructive forces,  
we confess that we are unable to do your will.**

**We protect what is familiar and reject what is unknown.**

**We admire those with courage  
but excuse ourselves when we falter.**

**We forget that you are always with us,  
and that with you all things are possible.**

**Forgive us, lead us, make us new.**

**Remove our desire to follow the easy path,  
and show us your way,  
that we may have life in all its fullness.**

Silent Confession

Declaration of Pardon

Sharing God's Peace

Response "Glory Be to the Father" # 579

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;  
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, World without end. Amen. Amen

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

NEW TESTAMENT READING 1 Corinthians 8:1-13  
"The Word of the Lord / **Thanks be to God!**" NT Page 131

ANTHEM "Passacaglia of Praise" Craig Courtney  
Maddie Garcia, Flute

GOSPEL READING Mark 1:21-28  
"The Word of the Lord / **Thanks be to God!**" NT Page 27

CHILDREN'S TALK Carrie Scaccia  
(4yr to Gr1 invited upstairs to Activity Period in 203. Children leave through front exits)

SERMON

\*HYMN "Though I May Speak" # 335

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH Apostles' Creed  
(Ecumenical pg 14 in front of Hymnal)

OFFERING

Invitation

Offertory Music "Though I May Speak" arr Giamanco

Song of Praise "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" # 592  
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God all creatures here below;  
Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen

\*Prayer of Dedication

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Sharing Joys & Concerns

Choral Prayer "Bless the Lord" Berthier

Silent Prayer

Prayers of Intercession and The Lord's Prayer...using debts and debtors

\*HYMN "Not for Tongues of Heaven's Angels" # 531

\*BENEDICTION – concluding with

Pastor: ... 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 "Little Prelude and Fugue in F" attrib JS Bach

**2017 Annual Reports Available to Review. Ask an Usher! One copy per family please ☺ Save a tree**

**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 share a cup of coffee with us today during our fellowship time immediately after Worship

**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 am ..... Worship followed by Coffee Break

11:15 am ..... Church School

Noon ..... Youth Choir resumes today

JOY serves at Loaves & Fishes

Tues.....10:00 am ..... Prayer Shawl Ministry/Crafty Ladies

7:00 pm ..... Serenity Circle

Wed..... 6:30 pm ..... Bell Choir

7:30 pm ..... Senior Choir

Thurs ..... 3:00 pm ..... Afternoon Bible Study

BIB Packing

**NEXT SUNDAY**....1 Corinthians 9:16-23; Mark 1:29-39

Holy Communion & Fair Trade Product Sales

Annual Meeting & Potluck Lunch

SUNDAY CHURCH SCHOOL CLASS LOCATION

**Church School Youth: 11:15–Noon**

(Nursery Available on the First Floor – Room 107)

Multi-Age Group..... Room 206

Grades 7 - 12 ..... Room 201

"Living the Question" ..... Choir Room

**The JOY Youth Group** will serve lunch at Loaves and Fishes today. They'll walk over to arrive at noon (L&F changed the time they serve!) and be back at the church at about 2:30. As they adjust to the new schedule, this time might change, but we'll be able to text parental units in time to arrange rides.