

**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2017 · 10:00 AM**

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

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE "Improvisations" Ryan Fish

CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 117, *The Message*

Leader... Praise God, everybody!

**People: . Applaud God, all people!**

Leader:... God's love has taken over our lives;

**People: . God's faithful ways are eternal.**

**All ..... Hallelujah!**

\*HYMN "I've Got Peace Like a River" # 368

\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Invitation

Unison Prayer

**God, there are many times in our days that we want to take revenge, to lash out at others.**

**Times when someone says something hurtful, when someone cuts us off in traffic or stops abruptly in front of us in the hall, when someone doesn't give us what we feel we deserve, when someone bumps us and doesn't apologize.**

**Forgive us for our anger and our desire for revenge.**

**Help us to love others and to pray for those who mistreat us, especially those who behave thoughtlessly, who break the law, who are rude and teasing.**

**Also help us love those dislike and those we haven't yet taken the time to reach out to meet. Help us to love all your people, God. Amen.**

Silent Confession

Declaration of Pardon

Sharing God's Peace

Response "I've Got Peace Like a River" # 368 (v1)

I've got peace like a river; I've got peace like a river

I've got peace like a river; In my soul

I've got peace like a river; I've got peace like a river

I've got peace like a river; In my soul

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT READING Leviticus 19: 1-2, 9-18

"The Word of the Lord / **Thanks be to God!**" OT Page 82

ANTHEM "Love One Another" Nix  
Youth Choir

GOSPEL READING Matthew 5: 38-48

"The Word of the Lord / **Thanks be to God!**" NT Page 4

SPECIAL MUSIC "Ode to Joy" Beethoven  
Noah Sexton, Piano

*4yr to Gr1 invited upstairs to Activity Period in 203. Children leave through front exits)*

SERMON Love Not Revenge

\*HYMN "O For a World" # 386

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

**We believe in the power of gratitude.**

**We commit ourselves to acknowledge every act of generosity,  
every gift, every sunrise and sunset,  
every smile, touch and kindness.**

**We believe that rejoicing and gentleness can warm cold hearts,  
bring people together, build peace and bring forgiveness.**

**We intend to be guided by what is excellent and admirable,  
just and holy, true and beautiful.**

**We have received many gifts.**

**They do not belong to us but are meant to be shared.**

**We can build a better world by living with thanks.**

OFFERING

Invitation

Offertory Music "Give Thanks" Henry Smith  
Maegan Fish and Emily Turner, Violin

Song of Praise "What Does the Lord Require of You"  
What does the Lord require of you, What does the Lord require of you.  
Justice, Kindness, Walk humbly with your God.  
To seek justice, and love kindness, and walk humbly with your God

\*Prayer of Dedication

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Sharing Joys & Concerns

Choral Prayer "Seek Ye First" #333

Silent Prayer

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

\*HYMN "Help Us Accept Each Other" # 358

\*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 "Sonata No. 6" Antonio Vivaldi  
Maddie Garcia, Flute

**Thank you to today's Youth Leaders:** Maegan Fish, Ryan Fish, Maddie Garcia, Brenden Hatzinger, Tyriana Jones, Maryrose Scaccia, Noah Sexton, Max Shaffer, Emily Turner and Isabelle Turner

**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

*Jan/Feb Mar/Apr Upper Rooms, Presbyterian Outlook & Presbyterians Today are placed throughout our Church*

**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

"Violence Divine" ..... Choir Room

**WORSHIP ASSISTANTS**

**Ushers/Greeters/Acolytes:** Joy Youth; Feb 26: George Vickers

**Layreader** is Joy Youth. Feb 26: Gail Tucker

**Worship Recorder** is Tom McGibbon. Feb 26: Shari Fish

**Deacon Ramp Duty** is Mary Davis. Feb 26: Roberta Bert

**Coffee Break** is immediately after worship in our Parlor. Enjoy a treat and & visit with friends before heading to class. Please help clean up if you are able ☺