

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 03, 2017 · 10:00 AM

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

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE Variations on arr Woodman
"O Come, O Come Emmanuel"

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE Charlie Sexton Family
Unison Prayer: **Risen Christ, Light of the world,
shine in our lives & shine in our world. Amen**

*HYMN "Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus" # 2

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION Leader: Heather Tucker

Invitation

Unison Prayer

Lord, have mercy on us.

We are not ready for your coming.

We live in sin, as though there were no justice.

We live in fear, as though there were no grace.

Forgive us, Lord.

Show us your mercy and steadfast love.

**Lead us in your truth, and teach us your paths,
for you are the God of our salvation.**

Silent Confession

Declaration of Pardon

Sharing God's Peace

Response "Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus" # 1 (v1)

**Come, Thou long expected Jesus, Born to set Thy people free;
From our fears and sins release us; Let us find our rest in Thee**

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT READING Isaiah 64:1-9
"The Word of the Lord / **Thanks be to God!**" OT Page 538

ANTHEM "A Choral Devotion" Butler

GOSPEL READING Mark 13:24-37
"The Word of the Lord / **Thanks be to God!**" NT Page 39

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

SERMON

*HYMN "My Soul Cries Out" See Insert

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

OFFERING

Invitation

Offertory Music "Savior of the Nations, Come" arr Manz

Song of Praise "On Jordan's Bank" # 10 (v4)
**All praise to You, eternal Son, Whose advent has our freedom won,
Whom with the Father we adore, And Holy Spirit, evermore**

*Prayer of Dedication

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Each communion tray has a dish of rice cake pieces for those who avoid wheat products

Invitation to the Table

Sharing Joys and Concerns

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession

The Lord be with you / **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts / **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

...Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with choirs of angels and with all the faithful of every time and place, who forever sing to the glory of your name

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest

*The prayer continues and concludes with The Lord's Prayer
...using debts and debtors*

Communion of the People

*HYMN "Now to Your Table Spread" # 515

*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 "Sleepers, Wake!" arr Powell

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

**Join Us in the Dining Hall after Worship
for our Advent Day Celebration!**

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Ushers/Greeters/Acolytes: George Vickers; Dec 10: Kevin Taylor

Layreader is Heather Tucker. Dec 10: Carrie Scaccia

Worship Recorder is John Nethaway. Dec 10: Tom McGibbon

Deacon Ramp Duty is Kiki Hinman. Dec 10: Volunteer needed am & pm

Coffee Break is in the Dining Hall immediately after worship. Join our Advent Day Celebration!

Weekly Congregation & Presbytery Prayer List: Tony Schuyler, Clay Mowry, Vera Noxon, Mark, Kiki & Drew Hinman, Ann Hapanowicz, Don Harter & 1st Pres Whitesboro

EVENTS THIS WEEK

Today....10:00 am Worship followed by Advent Day Celebration

Noon Youth Choir

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

7:00 pm Serenity Circle in parlor

Wed.....9:00 am Wed AM Club in Music Room

6:30 pm Bell Choir

7:30 pm Senior Choir

Thurs 3:00 pm Bible Study in Library

BIB Packing at Trinity UCC

Fri Poinsettia Delivery

Sat10:00 am Candlelight Rehearsal

NEXT SUNDAY....Isaiah 40:1-11; Mark 1:1-8

Hymn Sing, Candlelight at 4pm