

First Presbyterian Church



512 Third Street SW

Rochester, Minnesota 55902

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Service for the Lord's Day
January 15, 2017
Second Sunday after Epiphany

8:30 and 11:00 a.m.

Welcome to worship!

- First Presbyterian Church welcomes families with young children. Staffed nursery care is available during worship and Sunday school. Audio from the worship service can be heard in the library (adjacent to the sanctuary) and social hall.
- If you are visiting because of medical treatment at Mayo Clinic we offer our prayers for healing.
- Our activities and programs are open to all, member and friend alike.
- We invite you to join us for coffee and fellowship in the atrium and social hall after the first service and in the atrium after the second service.

** As a courtesy to others, please silence cell phones. **

Gathering

Prelude

In Thee Is Gladness

J. S. Bach

Our worship begins with the prelude. Let the power of the music speak to you of God's glory; let its quietness tell you of God's peace; let its beauty lift your hearts in prayer.

Greeting and Welcome

Please sign the Opportunity for Friendship Register and pass it to the person next to you.

Opening Prayer

Call to Worship

(8:30) Jane Murl
(11:00) Phyllis Schmid

Happy are those who trust in God.

Proclaim God's steadfast love and faithfulness to all the world.

Wait patiently for the presence of God.

Sing of God's love and wondrous deeds.

◆ Hymn 285

Like the Murmur of the Dove's Song

BRIDEGROOM

Call to Reconciliation (please be seated)

Let us confess our sins to God, for the Holy One is steadfast in love and always ready to forgive.

Silent Confession

Kyrie 551

Lord, Have Mercy

LAND OF REST

Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy upon us.
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Our Response

- ◆ **Hymn 308** O God in Whom All Life Begins NOEL
- ◆ **Affirmation of Faith** The Apostles' Creed (Traditional)
**I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth,
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy
Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified,
dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the
dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the
Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the
forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer (using 'debts' and 'debtors')

Offertory The Call Ralph Vaughan Williams

- ◆ **Offertory Response 708** (stanza 1) We Give Thee but Thine Own SCHUMANN
We give Thee but thine own, whate'er the gift may be;
All that we have is thine alone, a trust, O Lord, from Thee.

- ◆ **Unison Prayer of Dedication**
**We give you thanks, O loving God, that you have placed in the hearts of your
faithful people the gift of generosity and the desire to do your will. Use these
gifts to proclaim good news to every nation and restore all people to Christ.
Amen.**

Sending

- ◆ **Hymn 307** God of Grace and God of Glory CWM RHONDDA
 - ◆ **Benediction**
 - ◆ **Response 541** (stanza one) God Be with You Till We Meet Again RANDOLPH
God be with you till we meet again; loving counsels guide, uphold you,
with a shepherd's care enfold you: God be with you till we meet again.
- Postlude** Arise, Your Light Is Come! (FESTAL SONG) Seth Bingham

Those who wish may be seated for the postlude. Our music is offered to the glory of God; if you want to express your appreciation, a spoken "Amen" or "Praise God" is appropriate.

About Our Church

Rev. Thomas J. (T.J.) Parlette, Pastor
Rev. Jay P. Rowland, Associate Pastor
Lee J. Afdahl, Director of Music/Organist
Rick L. Morris, Coordinator of Youth and Christian Education
Kathleen M. Kruger, Music Assistant
Susan K. Kruger, Office Administrator
Harry E. Coleman, Facility Manager
Vera B. Herr, Custodian
Child Care staff: Kelly Bock, Woo-Jung Ra, Margie Schaaf
Security and custodial personnel: Steven Aug, Sally Evans, Sue Kruger, Tami Rinn, Eric Schwartzbauer
Office hours: Monday-Thursday (7:30 a.m.-4 p.m.); Friday (7:30 a.m.-3 p.m.); Saturday (9:30 a.m.-noon)

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*The mission of First Presbyterian Church of Rochester
is to reflect God's love for all people by proclaiming the Gospel of Jesus Christ.*

Member: Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)

Calendar for the week of January 15 – January 22 (and beyond)

SUNDAY – January 15

We thank all who are sharing their ministries in worship today.

The **chancel flowers** are given for the Glory of God by Heide and Helmut Buettner in honor of their children and grandchildren.

A **nursery** for infants through 3-year-olds is staffed throughout the morning. We also offer a space for nursing mothers. An usher will be happy to direct you if you don't know where the nursery is located.

Education hour:

9:40-10:45: Nursery - preschool (3-years-old)

9:40-10:45: Sunday school/education hour for grade 6 – adult education

9:40-10:20: Calvin Choir for grades 2-5

9:40-10:20: Sunday school for age 3-grade 1

10:20-10:50: Cherub Choir for age 4-grade 1

10:20-11:00: Sunday school for grades 2-5

Adults:

9:40 a.m.: *Kerygma Bible Study of Matthew* in south fireside room (A-104)

9:40 a.m.: *Current Issues: Current Events: the Pros and Cons* in the lounge.

Chancel Choir rehearses at 9:45 a.m.

MONDAY – January 16

Items for the **February Good News** are due to Carol Evans either at fpc_carol@hotmail.com or in the office.

ALL **Annual Reports** are due either in the office or e-mailed to fpc_carol@hotmail.com.

Esther Circle will meet at 1 p.m. in the lounge.

Church Office will be closed in observance of Martin Luther King Day.

TUESDAY – January 17

Session and Board of Deacons will meet for a Souper Start supper at 5:30 p.m. in the social hall. Following the meal Session and Board of Deacons will convene for their monthly meeting.

WEDNESDAY – January 18

Priscilla Circle will meet at 9:15 a.m. in the lounge.

Crafters Group will meet at 3 p.m. in the social hall. Bring that almost finished project or help us make cards for C.A.R.E. members of FPC.

Wednesday Activities	
4:15	Alleluia Ringers (grades 2-5)
5:00	Youth Choir (grades 6-12)
5:45	Middle School youth group (grades 6-8)
5:45	Senior High youth group (grades 9-12)
6:30	Adult Bible study—Book study of Timothy Keller's <i>"The Reason for God"</i>
7:00	Joyous Praise handbells (intergenerational)

THURSDAY – January 19

Jubilate Deo Bells rehearses at 6:15 p.m.

Chancel Choir rehearses at 7:30 p.m.

SATURDAY – January 21

Presbytery of the Twin Cities will meet at 9 a.m. at Kwanzaa Church in Minneapolis. Let the church office know if you'd like to go.

Ruth Circle will meet at 10 a.m. in the lounge.

SUNDAY – January 22

Worship at 8:30 and 11 a.m.

Pick up your copy of the **Annual Reports for the Congregational Meeting**.

SUNDAY – January 29

Worship at 8:30 and 11 a.m.

The **Annual Meeting of the Congregation** will be held at 9:40 a.m. in the sanctuary. Business to be conducted includes approving changes in the pastors' terms of call. We will present the general budget for 2017 and review reports of committees for 2016.

Join us for a **Cabin Fever Soup potluck** immediately following the second service.

For Your Information

Offering envelopes for 2017 are in the social hall. If there isn't a box with your name and you want to use envelopes, check in the church office. We also have boxes of envelopes available for children and youth.

Each year our church activities are summarized in the "Annual Reports to the Congregation." If you are responsible for writing a report, we need it in the church office by January 16. The best reports are those sent to Carol via e-mail or a Word attachment to an e-mail (evans.carol@FPCRochester.org).

Special Offerings continue. We are currently receiving special offerings for the Christmas Joy Offering and the Deacons Fund. You may contribute to either fund during January by noting the designation on your contribution.

January is FPC's month to provide paper products and other needed items for **Hope Lodge**. A list of items and a box for your donations is in the foyer.

Among Our Church Family

Congratulations to Gordon and Sondra Danielson who will celebrate their 56th wedding anniversary January 21.

Congratulations to Pat Gastineau who will celebrate her 92nd birthday January 23.