

# First Presbyterian Church



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**Service for the Lord's Day**  
**January 22, 2017**  
**Third 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**

Gather Us In

Jeffrey Honoré

*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) Elizabeth Remfert  
(11:00) Mary Huie

*Sing to the Lord a new song;*

**sing to the Lord, all the earth.**

*We proclaim the message of the cross:*

**This is the wisdom and power of God.**

*Let us worship God.*

## ◆ Hymn 401

Here in This Place

GATHER US IN

## Call to Reconciliation (please be seated) (from Romans 3:23-24)

*All have sinned and fall short of the glory of God; yet we are justified by the gift of God's grace through the redemption that is ours in Christ Jesus. Trusting in God's grace, let us confess our sin.*

## Silent Confession

## Kyrie 551

Lord, Have Mercy

LAND OF REST

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

**Unison Prayer of Confession**

**God of our light and our salvation, we confess that sometimes we prefer to live in darkness, embracing the safety and anonymity of the shadows; sometimes we delight in our divisions, believing we know best; we often act with prejudice and partiality failing to share your love for all. Forgive us, God of grace. Pour out the power of your Spirit and renew us in our calling to show the wonder of your love through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**Words of Life (Matthew 3:17)**

*As a voice from heaven said to Jesus, so in Christ God speaks these words to us: You are my child, my beloved; with you I am well pleased. In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!*

◆ **Gloria Patri 581**                                  Glory Be to the Father                                  GREATOREX

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.

◆ **Passing of the Peace**

Due to health concerns in this cold and flu season, please refrain from shaking hands and greet each other with a word of peace or a wave of the hand.

*The peace of Christ be with you.*

**And also with you.**

*Let us share a sign of the peace of Christ with one another!*

**The Word**

**Prayer for Illumination 460 (st. 1) (seated) Break Thou the Bread of Life**                                  BREAD OF LIFE

Break thou the bread of life, dear Lord, to me, as thou didst break the loaves beside the sea.  
Beyond the sacred page I seek thee, Lord. My spirit pants for thee, O living Word!

**Reading from the Psalms**    Psalm 27:1, 4-9

**Anthem**                                  (8:30)                                  Lord, I Hear You Callin'                                  James E. Clemens

Michael Cutrer, tenor; Chancel Choir  
Lord, I hear you callin'. I hear you callin' in the mornin'. Save my soul, O Lord, I pray;  
Take my sins and wash them away. I hear you callin' in the mornin'. Lord.  
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**Hymn 721 (11:00)**                                  Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore                                  PESCADOR DE HOMBRES

**Time for All Our Young Worshipers**

**Hymn 487 (stanza 2)**                                  These Treasured Children                                  PUER NOBIS NASCITUR

Our ancient story we shall tell,  
till these our children know it well within their souls and minds and hearts,  
for this is where their journey starts.

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**Sacrament of Baptism (11:00) (see page 4)**    Delaney Marie Carroll

Daughter of Brett and Jamie Carroll  
Sister of Shay and Alyssa Carroll  
Granddaughter of Jean Marvin

*Pass Prayer Cards to the aisle. An usher will collect them.*

Children through third grade may go to room E206 for Kids' Zone or are welcome to stay with their parents in worship. Children above third grade should stay in worship.

**Reading from the Epistles**    1 Corinthians 1:10-18

*This is the word of the Lord.*

**Thanks be to God.**

**Alleluia Response 587**                                  Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!                                  CELTIC ALLELUIA

**Message**    *Chaos or Community*                                  Rev. Jay P. Rowland

**\*\* A Moment for Reflection \*\***

## ***Our Response***

- ◆ **Hymn 672** O Gladsome Light LE CANTIQUE DE SIMEON
- ◆ **Affirmation of Faith** [Adapted from the Belhar Confession (PC(USA))]  
**We believe that the church must together come to know the height and breadth and the depth of the love of Jesus Christ.**  
**We believe that together we are built up to the stature of Christ, the new humanity.**  
**We believe that we must together know and bear one another's burdens, thereby fulfilling the law of Christ.**  
**We believe that we are called to admonish and comfort one another; to suffer with one another for the sake of righteousness; to pray together; and together serve God in this world. Amen.**

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

**Offertory** (8:30) The Lord Is My Light (Psalm 27) Jean Berger  
Chancel Choir

The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom should I fear?  
The Lord is the refuge of my life; of whom then should I go in dread?  
When evildoers close in on me, it is my enemies who stumble and fall.  
If an army should encamp against me, my heart would feel no fear.  
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(11:00) Fight the Good Fight (DUKE STREET) Wilbur Held

- ◆ **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**  
**God of glory, we bring our gifts to you. May these gifts and each of us here today be used to lift up those who are oppressed, to bring deliverance to those who are in need, to support those who are poor, and to help those who are in trouble. In Jesus' name. Amen.**

## ***Sending***

- ◆ **Hymn 720** Jesus Calls Us GALILEE
- ◆ **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** Fight the Good Fight (DUKE STREET) Raymond Haan

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.

## ***Sacrament of Baptism***

(11:00 a.m.)

### **Introduction**

### **Presentation**

### **Professions of Intent and Faith**

### **Blessing of the Water**

### **Baptism**

### **Welcome**

*Elder: Delaney Marie Carroll is now received into the one, holy, catholic and apostolic church. Through baptism God has made her a member of the household of God, to share with us in the priesthood of Christ. People of this congregation, I charge you to nurture and support Delaney, that she and all baptized children may become faithful disciples.*

**Congregation: With joy and thanksgiving we welcome Delaney Marie Carroll and all children into Christ's church. We promise to love, encourage, support and share the gospel with all children that they may know and follow Christ.**

*Elder: The peace of God be with you*

**Congregation: And also with you.**

### **Response 188**

Jesus Loves Me (stanza 1)

JESUS LOVES ME

Jesus loves me! This I know, for the Bible tells me so;  
Little ones to Him belong; they are weak but He is strong.  
Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me!  
Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.

*The baptismal candle and rose are gifts from the congregation to the family of Delaney Marie Carroll. The rose symbolizes our joy in the life of each child and the candle symbolizes our commitment as a congregation to support the parents in raising their children in the Christian faith. The baptismal banner celebrates the sacrament of baptism. The shell with drops of water is a symbol of Jesus' baptism. The water of Baptism links us to the goodness of God's creation, the grace of God's covenant with our ancestors and the living water offered by Jesus.*

### **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

Child Care staff: Kelly Bock, Woo-Jung Ra, Margie Schaaf

Security and custodial personnel: Steven Aug, Sally Evans, Sue Kruger, Tami Rinn

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.*

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## ***Calendar for the week of January 22 – January 29 (and beyond)***

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### **SUNDAY – January 22**

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

The **chancel flowers** are given for the Glory of God by Lyle and Zoe Abrahamson in memory of their parents.

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.

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

Sign up in the atrium today for the **Cabin Fever Soup potluck** January 29.

### **WEDNESDAY – January 25**

<b>Wednesday Activities</b>	
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 26**

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

**Chancel Choir** rehearses at 7:30 p.m.

### **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.

*Beat the winter blues* and join us for a **Cabin Fever Soup potluck** immediately following the second service. If you come to the 11 a.m. service, we will have places to plug in slow cookers. If you come to the 8:30 service and go home, please come back and join us for lunch. Sign up in the atrium January 22 or call the church office (282-1618) by Wednesday, January 25. You may bring soup, bread, or fruit. Call Jane Murl (529-1318) for more information.

### **MONDAY – January 30**

**Endowment Committee** will meet at 7 p.m.

### **WEDNESDAY – February 1**

Worship and communion at **Charter House** at 1 p.m.

### ***For Your Information***

**Offering envelopes** for 2017 are on a table in the foyer. 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.

**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.

**Climate Crisis.** Soil-ed: a rereading of Genesis 1-3 in the Age of Climate Change. Join our own Rick Morris at Assisi Heights on Tuesday, January 24 from 6:30-8 p.m. to explore the intersection of scripture and the climate crisis. Registration is \$10 pre-registration or \$15 at the door. For details and to register, visit [www.RochesterFranciscan.org/whats-happening](http://www.RochesterFranciscan.org/whats-happening).

Rev. Parlette will be offering a two-week **new members class** on February 5 and 12 at 9:45 a.m. Prospective new members will join the church February 12 at the 11 a.m. service. Please call the church office (282-1618) if you would like to attend.

#### **\*WEATHER and SAFETY ADVISORIES\***

If we need to cancel services due to extreme weather conditions, we will send that announcement to KTTC-TV, KTTC.com, put it on our WEB page FPCRochester.org, put it on the church's answering machine, and, if possible, send you an e-mail. Whenever canceling is a possibility, please check these sources for up-to-date information.

In the coming winter season when conditions can create slippery walkways, we ask all members to be responsible and wear appropriate footwear made for snow and ice and choose the safest path from your car into the building. The staff aims to keep the church walks as clear of snow/ice as possible, but each of us must also do our part for safety by exercising caution and discretion. Here's to a safe winter season!