First Presbyterian Church



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Service for the Lord's Day January 28, 2024 Ordinary Time

8:30 & 11:00 A.M.

Welcome to worship

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

Gathering

Prelude

Partita on Westminster Abbey

Robert Powell

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 a.m.) Savannah Boswell (11:00 a.m.) Judy Smithson

Praise the Lord!

I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart.

Great are the works of the Lord,

Full of honor and majesty is God's work,

God's righteousness endures forever.

The Lord is gracious and merciful,

The works of God's hands are faithful and just.

The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom.

Let us worship the Lord!

♦ **Hymn 394** Christ is Made the Sure Foundation Westminster Abbey

Call to Reconciliation

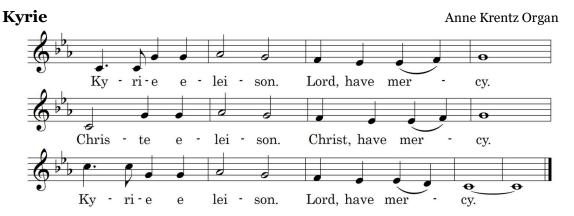
The One who pardons, heals, and strengthens all who repent calls us to name our failings and our hopes. Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and one another.

Please rise as you are able, in body or in spirit.

Unison Prayer of Confession

Holy and all-powerful God, who commands all spirits, comforts those in distress, and casts out destructive forces, we confess that we are unable to do your will on our own. We protect what is familiar and reject what is unknown. We admire those with courage but excuse ourselves when we falter from the truth. 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 heed false prophets, and show us your way; in Jesus' name, Amen.

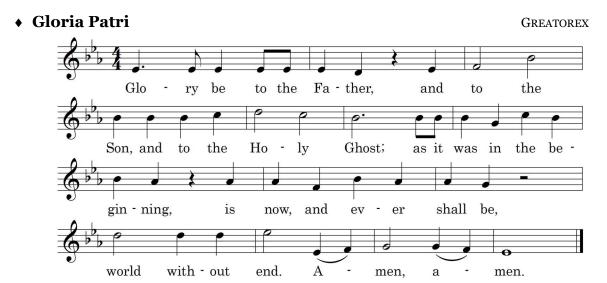
Silent Confession



Words of Life

Believe this good news and give thanks: in Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

Amen.



Time for Young Worshipers

Passing of the Peace

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

Holy Spirit, your people call out for understanding. Bring to our yearning hearts and minds, the truth of your Word; In Jesus' name. Amen.

Reading from the Psalms

Psalm 111

Anthem How Can I Keep from Singing?

arr. Cathy Moklebust

Jubilate Deo Handbell Ringers

Reading from the Gospels

Mark 1: 21-28

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Message A New Teaching – with Authority!

Rev. T.J. Parlette

Our Response

♦ **Hymn 766** The Church of Christ Cannot Be Bound

MC KEE

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

Hear us, O God ...
Your mercy is great.

The Lord's Prayer (using 'debts' and 'debtors')

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory

(8:30 a.m.) Trumpet Tune on WESTMINSTER ABBEY

Mark Sedio

(11:00 a.m.) The Lord is My Light and My Salvation

John Behnke

The Lord is my light and my salvation. Whom shall I fear? Whom shall I fear? When enemies o'ertake me, and evil surrounds me, my faith shall endure! To dwell in the house of the Lord all my life, to see the beauty, to learn and grow.

Know me and teach me and lead me through this life.

I wait for you, I wait for you, I wait and remain strong.

The Lord is my light and my salvation. Whom shall I fear? Whom shall I fear?

Text: Psalm 27, paraphrase by JB

Cherub, Calvin, Chancel Choirs and Jubilate Deo Ringers

♦ Offertory Response

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.
Praise God, all creatures high and low. Alleluia, alleluia!
Praise God, in Jesus fully known: Creator, Word, and Spirit one.
Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Unison Prayer of Dedication

O Gracious and Generous God, Let these gifts be used for good wherever there is need, in the name of all that you have first given us, especially Christ Jesus, your Son, our Savior. Amen.

Sending

♦ **Hymn 753** Make Me a Channel of Your Peace Prayer Of St. Francis

• Benediction

Postlude XV. Offertoire, from Messe pour les Couvents (1690)

François Couperin

The flowers are given for the glory of God in memory of loved ones by Paula Suffrins.

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Please see the *Stained Glass Window* for a full list of church activities.

What is happening around FPC .. Week of January 28, 2024

This Week's Calendar

† Sunday, January 28, 2024

Worship—8:30am in-person Message: A New Teaching with Authority! Rev. T.J. Parlette

Christian Formation & Fellowship-9:30am Kerygma Class—South Fireside Room

Annual Meeting-9:45am

Worship-11am in-person & livestreamed A Festival of Music - 4pm Dean Sorenson Sextet

† Wednesday, January 31, 2024

FPC @ Friendship Place-4pm & 7pm Calvin Choir-4:45pm Wednesday Programming Dinner-5:30pm Main Menu: Chili Dogs Youth Group-6pm Adult Bible Study-6:30pm

† Thursday, February 1, 2024

Knitting Group—2pm Jubilate Deo—6pm Chancel Choir—7pm

Sunday, February 4, 2024 Worship & Communion–8:30am

in-person
Message: Rev. T.J. Parlette
Christian Formation & Fellowship–9:30
Kerygma Class—South Fireside Room
Book Discussion—Sheldon Jackson Lounge
Worship & Communion–11am
in-person & livestreamed
A Festival of Music–4pm
The OK Factor

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE CONGREGATION AND CORPORATION OF FPC



The Session has called the Annual Meeting of the Congregation and Corporation of First Presbyterian Church for **Sunday**, **January 28** at **9:45am** for the purpose of hearing the reports of the staff, committees and other boards of the congregation and to consider changes to the pastor's terms of call. The meeting will be held in the sanctuary.

DEAN SORENSON SEXTET



WHEN Sunday, January 28, 2024 4:00 pm

The HYMN OF THE MONTH Project GTG 394 Christ is Made the Sure Foundation WESTMINSTER ABBEY

Consider the global influence of a U.K. Royal Wedding or other occasions. In under 6 years, we've recently had opportunity to take in a Coronation, the Queen's funeral, and Harry and Meghan's wedding. If not for commentary akin to sporting events and broadcasting choices geared more toward circumstance than pomp, we would hear more of the music and liturgy of these events where civic and sacred collide.

You may sometimes wonder where tune names come from for the hymns we sing. Often hymn tunes refer to people or places related to the composition of the work or its inspiration. Other times, tune names refer to moments in time or directly to an associated text (past or present). In our case, Sydney Nicholson (notable organist and choirmaster, and composer of much sacred music including the tune for "Lift High the Cross") took a musical fragment of Henry Purcell's and married it with the current text. The refrain was added later. Both men were former organists at Westminster Abbey, and they each reside there, "permanently" beside our many favorite greats.

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Church





Birthdays...

28 January

♦ Becky Britton

29 January

♦ Sally Brooks

30 January

♦ Myles Jones, Casey Lenn & Jane Murl

3 February

Mary Bayrd, Beverly Eppolite & Wendy Shannon



29 January

♥ Joe & Julie Doppler



WINTER HAZARD REMINDER

If we need to cancel service due to extreme weather, we will send the announcement to KAAL and KTTC, put an announcement on our webpage, and send you and e-mail and/or text message. Whenever canceling is a possibility, please check these sources for information.

Please also be aware of the slick spots in our parking lot and on the sidewalks around our property. Our custodial team is working very hard to keep ahead of the snow and ice, but conditions can change quickly. Wear appropriate footwear and choose the safest path to your destination.



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HYMN OF THE MONTH (cont.)

Ubiquitous in the Anglican church abroad, *Hymns Ancient & Modern*, was first published in 1861 – a product of the influential Oxford Movement. This hymnal was revised many times over the past century and more, even as recently as 2013. Nicholson edited the truncated 1939 and later complete 1950 edition our hymn of the month first appeared. However, this text and tune pair gained its lasting popularity after being sung in the 1960 wedding of Princess Margaret and also in the 1981 wedding of Charles and Diana. Therefore, cheers, cheerio, and God save the King!

John Stender, with help from *Glory to God: A Companion*. by Carl P. Daw, Jr.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Rev. Thomas J. (T.J.) Parlette, Senior Pastor John E. Stender, Director of Music and Organist Lee J. Afdahl, Director of Music Emeritus Harry E. Coleman, Facility Manager Emmanuel Bogani, Custodian HostMargie Schaaf, Sunday Host Cindy Kunzman, Office Manager Sarah A. Stender, Assistant Director of Music Janine M. Yanisch, First Players bands Paul Herr, Security Than Boutelle, Custodian/Sunday

Sunday worship in-person at 8:30am; and in-person and livestreamed on YouTube at 11am; Office Hours: Monday through Thursday, 9am – 4pm

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