First Presbyterian Church

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straspres@straspres.org / www.straspres.org TRADITIONAL WORSHIP: 8:30am / CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP: 11:00am COFFEE FELLOWSHIP: 9:30am in Fellowship Hall / SUNDAY SCHOOL: 10:00

Sunday, January 3, 2016 8:30am

Prelude on "Hanover" - Young

GREETING & ANNOUNCEMENTS / RINGING OF THE BELL (Please sign the Fellowship Pad and pass it to your neighbor)

CALL TO WORSHIP

PRELUDE

Leader: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you

And also with you. People:

Leader: The newborn Christ is with us

People: Praise the Lord.

*HYMN "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling" No. 376

*PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION

God, our Covenant Friend, You have given us life and reason. You have given us light, but we continue to long for darkness. You promise to be by our side but we flee from You. Your patience is never-ending but we get restless when things don't go our way. You are a rock of strength but we decide to build our lives on the sand. Forgive us and remind us that through Your birth You have given us life. Through Jesus Christ our Lord we pray, Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*SHARING SIGNS OF PEACE

[Please share Christ's peace with one another with handshakes, hugs, kisses—however you feel led.]

*HYMN "Spirit of the Living God"

> Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me; Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me. Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me. Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE Jean Pontz

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING Deuteronomy 31:9-13 (OT p186)

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING John 15:1-8 (NT p109)

COVENANT RENEWAL

*HYMN "Take My Life" No. 391

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

WE BRING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

OFFERTORY Meditation on "Evan" - Young

*DOXOLOGY

Praise God from whom all blessings flow, praise Him, all creatures here below. Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Prayers of the People & The Lord's Prayer (pg. 16 in the hymnal)

Words of Institution

Welcome Distribution

> [Worshipers: Take a blue bead from the fountain to remind you of your baptism and your rededication to Jesus.]

*ALLFLUIA

*BENEDICTION & RESPONSE "Let There Be Peace on Earth"

*POSTLUDE Postlude on "Hymn to Joy" - Young

NEXT WEEK

Isaiah 12:2-6 Luke 3:7-14, 18

"What Then Shall We Do?"

11:00am

Greeting & Announcements
*Praise & Worship Your Grace is Enough Cornerstone Blessed Be Your Name
Prayer & Peace
Children's Message: Jean Pontz
Scripture Readings Deuteronomy 31:9-13; John 15:1-8
Covenant Renewal "Abiding in the Covenant"
Communion
*Offering/Closing Song Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)
*Benediction
SERMON NOTES: