



# First Presbyterian Church

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## Second Sunday After Christmas January 3, 2021

PASTOR: Rev. Robert K. Bronkema

ORGANIST/CHOIRMASTER: Christopher Henkel

DIRECTOR OF CONTEMPORARY MUSIC: Tess Feiler

DIRECTOR OF CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES: Beth Feiler

DIRECTOR OF YOUTH: -- Vacancy --

WORSHIP LEADER/READER: 8:30 am Karen Bachman

ACOLYTES: 8:30 am Gavin Elias-Lizardo • 11:00 am Isla Marsh

**WORSHIP: 8:30 am and 11:00 am**

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Sunday, January 3

**Covenant Renewal Sunday**

8:30 AM Service

Open your heart and give yourself up to Christ who is here to meet you today.

*"Be still and know that I am God."* Psalm 46:10

PRELUDE:

Wie Schon Leuchtet der MorgenStern

Pachelbel

GREETING & ANNOUNCEMENTS / RINGING OF THE BELL

CALL TO WORSHIP

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

**People: And also with you.**

Leader: The newborn Christ is with us

**People: Praise the Lord.**

\*HYMN

*"O God, Our Help in Ages Past"*

No. 210

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.]*

\*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:

Beth Feiler

ANTHEM

*"What Child Is This"*

M Hayes

FIRST SCRIPTURE:

Jeremiah 31:31-34

SECOND SCRIPTURE:

John 15:1-8

COVENANT RENEWAL

*"Why Renew Our Covenant?"*

Rev. Robert Bronkema

\*HYMN

*"If Thou But Trust in God to Guide Thee"*

No. 282

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Prayers of the People & The Lord's Prayer

Words of Institution

Welcome

Distribution

[Worshippers: Your blue bead reminds you of your baptism and your rededication to Jesus.]

\*ALLELUIA

\*BENEDICTION

\*POSTLUDE

*"Before Thy Throne I Will Appear"*

M Dupre

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Sunday, January 3

**Covenant Renewal Sunday**

11:00 AM Service

Greeting and Announcements

\*Praise & Worship

*Beginning and the End*

*Way Maker*

*Good to Me*

Prayer & Peace

Children's Message:

Beth Feiler

First Scripture Reading:

Jeremiah 31:31-34

Second Scripture Reading:

John 15:1-8

Sermon:

*"Why Renew Our Covenant?"*

Rev. Robert Bronkema

Communion

\*Offering/Closing Song:

*We Believe*

\*Benediction

*Please Keep in Your Prayers. . .*

**In our prayers today and your prayers this week, please remember the following people and their families:**

- Doyle and Frances Thomas

**In need of the prayer chain?**

Call Sandy Bernstorf 717-687-7276 or Janice Bowers 717-687-5676



**NEXT WEEK – January 10, 2021**  
**Baptism of the Lord**  
 First Scripture: Genesis 50:19-21  
 Second Scripture: Philippians 1:1-2  
*Sermon Series: “Surprised by Joy – Philippians”*  
 Sermon: “Grace to you”

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**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Annual Congregational Meeting**

The Annual Congregational Meeting will be held on Sunday, January 24, 2021 after the 11 am online service. Stay tuned for details.

**Food Bank:** Thank you to everyone who provided donations to the food bank! It is greatly appreciated!

**College Student of the Week:** Grace Hess, 125 Sides Mill Rd, Strasburg, PA 17579  
 E-mail: [gehess02@gmail.com](mailto:gehess02@gmail.com) Please brighten her day with a card, email or note.

**The Work of FPC Continues:** All of the staff are still working hard to keep us connected and are keeping the light of Christ shining within the community. While programmatically things may have shifted, we are still looking to provide a family for those who don't know Christ, for those who want to grow in Christ, and for those who want to go with Christ. This not only takes time and planning, it also takes resources. We fully realize that we are in a time of having to rely even more on the providence and provision of God. You can play an enormous role in helping us meet the needs for our staffing and our programs during this time when collecting tithes in person is limited. There are various ways that you can give your tithes and contribute to the FPC ministries. One way is to send your tithe and offering checks to First Presbyterian Church at 101 S. Decatur Street, Strasburg, Pa 17579. Make it out to First Presbyterian and our financial accountant will take care of it. Another way to give is online at the church website: <http://www.straspre/s.org> Click the donate button. On your home computer, at the top of the page, select “Computer Giving”. From there click on “Go to Engage e-giving” where you can either create an account to give more frequently or in a recurring way. To give a one-time gift, click “Create a Gift” and it will provide similar options. You can pay either by credit card or by ACH, your bank information. Please take the time to make an impact on your community with your offerings at this time. For questions about electronic giving please give me a call at 717-799-0777. I can walk you through it.



## 2021 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### Sunday, January 3

8:30 am Worship – Virtually Online

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<http://www.straspres.org/home-2>

<https://www.facebook.com/robert.bronkema>

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10 am Sunday School Class Beth Feiler

YouTube <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCYMTmNZtwbu4z-FyEEtLrHA>

Wired Word Meeting - Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86946473973?pwd=dUt4bVlOWDErcG4xYTluOTB0TXUrQT09>

ID:869 4647 3973 Passcode: 355650 or word

11 am Worship – Virtually Online

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6 pm No Ignited Youth Group Tonight

### Tuesday, January 5

2 pm Food Bank

6 pm CE Meeting

7 pm Worship Committee

7 pm LS Together

### Wednesday, January 6

7 pm Deacons Meeting

### Thursday, January 7

6 pm [Bible Study](#) (Select this link or copy and paste link below)

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### Friday, January 8

2 pm Food Bank