

First Presbyterian Church

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January 24, 2021

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DIRECTOR OF CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES: Beth Feiler

DIRECTOR OF YOUTH: -- Vacancy --

WORSHIP LEADER/READER: 8:30 am Carolyn Groff

WORSHIP: 8:30 am and 11:00 am

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCzoMo4VUuahmT0CFUtwZzgg/videos>

Sunday, January 24

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: *"Prelude and Fugue in F"* Bach

GREETING & ANNOUNCEMENTS / RINGING OF THE BELL

CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 62

Leader: For God alone my soul waits in silence; from him comes my salvation.

People: He alone is my rock and my salvation, my fortress; I shall never be shaken.

*HYMN *"Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun"* No. 423

PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION

Holy and living God, Abba, we come together before You full of thankfulness and praise for Your boundless grace.

We confess that we think our way of proclaiming Christ is the only way. Forgive us for being surprised when we discover Your gospel may be spread in many ways. Humble us, and help us to rejoice that Your gospel has no limits. Together we pray in the name of the way to salvation, Jesus Christ. Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*SHARING SIGNS OF PEACE *[Please share Christ's peace with one another.]*

Sunday, January 24

8:30 AM Service

*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:

Tess Feiler

SPECIAL MUSIC

"God of the Sparrow"

Schalk

FIRST SCRIPTURE:

Joshua 2:1-7

SECOND SCRIPTURE:

Philippians 1:12-19

SERMON SERIES: SURPRISED BY JOY – PHILIPPIANS"

SERMON

"If They Aren't Against You, They Are For You"

Rev. Robert Bronkema

*HYMN

"God of Our Life"

No. 275

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER

*HYMN

"I Sing the Mighty Power of God"

No. 288

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

"Plein Jeu"

G. Young

Sunday, January 24

11:00 AM Service

Greeting and Announcements

*Praise & Worship

*Build My Life
Called Me Higher
Graves Into Gardens*

Prayer & Peace

Children's Message: Tess Feiler

First Scripture Reading: Joshua 2:1-7

Second Scripture Reading: Philippians 1:12-19

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*Offering/Closing Song: *Good, Good Father*

*Benediction

<p><i>In need of the prayer chain?</i></p> <p>Call Sandy Bernstorf 717-687-7276 or Janice Bowers 717-687-5676</p>
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NEXT WEEK – January 31, 2021

First Scripture: Genesis 28:10-17
Second Scripture: Philippians 1:20-26

Sermon Series: "Surprised by Joy – Philippians"

Sermon: "Eternity is Now in Session"
Rev. Robert Bronkema, Preacher

Annual Congregational Meeting • TODAY • Sunday, January 24 • 12:15 PM

This meeting will be held virtually on Zoom only. Purpose: To nominate and elect two Session Ruling Elders, to nominate and elect one Deacon, to nominate and elect two Congregation-At-Large Members for the 2021 Church Officer Nominating Committee, and to review and receive the 2020 Annual Report.

Zoom Web Site Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/9703411314>

Phone in: 1 646 558 8656 then key in 9703411314#

2021 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday, January 24

8:30 am Worship – Virtually Online

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

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10 am Wired Word Sunday School Class [Beth Feiler - YouTube](#)

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCYMTmNZtwbu4z-FyEEtLrHAM> Meeting ID: 869 4647 3973

Passcode: 355650 or **word**

11 am Worship – Virtually Online

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12:15 pm Annual Congregational Meeting - Online at Zoom

6 pm Ignited Youth Group Tonight

Tuesday, January 26

2 pm Food Bank

Thursday, January 28 Bible Study

6 pm [Bible Study](#)

Friday, January 29

2 pm Food Bank

Saturday, January 30

9 am Church Leadership Retreat - Zoom

1 pm Session & Session Elect Meeting - Zoom

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Preschool Registration for September -- Church members are welcome to register their children early for the 2021/22 Preschool Year NOW before it opens to the community.

Classes available are:

- Afternoon Pre-K class - Monday, Wednesday & Friday 12:30 to 3:00
- 3 Year class - Tuesday & Thursday 9 to 11:30
- 2 year class - Monday and/or Wednesday 9 to 11:30

Registration forms are available on the [preschool webpage](#). The registration fee is \$45. (nonrefundable). For more information e-mail Lynn Underhill at hlunderhill@comcast.net

College Student of the Week: Morgan Murphy, 14 Broad St, Ephrata, PA 17522

E-mail: morganmorgs001@yahoo.com Please brighten her day with a card, email or note.

The Work of FPC Continues: All staff continue to work diligently to keep us connected and are keeping the light of Christ shining within the community. While programmatically things have shifted, we still seek to provide a family for those who don't know Christ, for those who want to grow in Christ, and who want to go with Christ. This takes time, planning & resources. 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 to meet staffing and program needs 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: 1) 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. 2) Give online at the church website: <http://www.straspres.org/> Click the "Donate" button. At top of next page, select "Computer Giving". From there, select "Go to Engage E-Giving" where you can create an account & choose a preferred method of giving. For one-time gifts, click "Create a Gift" and it will provide similar options. Donations are accepted via credit cards or ACH (bank information). Please take the time to positively impact your community with your offerings. For questions about electronic giving please give me a call at 717-799-0777. I can walk you through it.



The Souper Bowl of Caring - Once again, our church will be collecting canned goods and cash donations to support The Souper Bowl of Caring campaign. This campaign utilizes Super Bowl weekend to mobilize young people to fight hunger and poverty in our communities. Our children's ministry usually participates in this program. This year, due to Covid, we will not be in our church building. However, you can still participate. Starting this week and lasting until February 7th, Super Bowl Sunday, we will have big soup pots placed by the mailboxes in the church. You can place your donations there. All donations will be used here to support our food bank.

Presbyterian Women "Tools of Hope and Blanket Sunday" will be held **February 14**. Please fill your hearts with love and contribute as you can. Pastor Bob has often informed us how the church is continuing the work at home during this pandemic. *Church World Service* is also doing that. Won't you help them to be able to continue that work for the unfortunate in our world? Stay tuned for an upcoming letter explaining more about this wonderful cause!



Rahab Hiding the Spies -- *Joshua 2:1-7*

