

First Presbyterian Church

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Sunday, February 13, 2022

Sixth Sunday after the Epiphany

PASTOR: Rev. Robert K. Bronkema
ORGANIST/CHOIRMASTER: Christopher Henkel
DIRECTOR OF CONTEMPORARY MUSIC: Jon Knauss
DIRECTOR OF CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES: Beth Feiler
DIRECTOR OF YOUTH: Danny Miller
WORSHIP LEADER/READER: 8:30 am Debbie DiFranco

WORSHIP: 8:30 am and 11:00 am

Sunday, February 13, 2022

Welcome

8:30 AM Worship

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:

"Moonlight Sonata (Movement 1)"
"On Wings of Song"

Beethoven Mendelssohn

GREETING & ANNOUNCEMENTS / RINGING OF THE BELL

CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 105

Leader: O give thanks to the Lord, call on his name, make known his deeds among the peoples.

People: Sing to him, sing praises to him; tell of all his wonderful works.

Leader: Glory in his holy name; let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice.

People: Seek the Lord and his strength; seek his presence continually.



*HYMN "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"

No. 376

PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION

Even while we were yet sinners, Jesus, you loved us and died for us. We love you because you first loved us and showed us your love by dying for us. Forgive us for cheapening your sacrifice by not taking seriously your love and our responsibility to love others. We look to our own interests first before we even consider others. Forgive us for our selfishness in the face of your overwhelming grace. We pray this in Jesus' name. 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

SPECIAL MUSIC "Thy Perfect Love" Rutter

FIRST SCRIPTURE: Leviticus 19:18

SECOND SCRIPTURE: 1 John 4:7-12

SERMON SERIES: "READING THROUGH THE BIBLE"

SERMON "God is Love" Rev. Robert Bronkema

*HYMN "Because He Lives" Last Page

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

*HYMN "Though I May Speak" No. 335

*BENEDICTION

Please keep the following in your prayers:

Clayton Frackman - Recovering from surgery

In Need of the Prayer Chain?

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

February Deacons of the Month: Tina Dansereau & Heidi Zook-Payne



STEWARDSHIP • Please contribute your tithes and offerings using one of the following methods:

- . Scan the QR code to the right and follow the prompts
- Click the DONATE button on the church web site
- Mail your check to FPCS, 101 St. Decatur Street, Strasburg, PA 17579





Greeting and Announcements

*Praise & Worship

God So Loved

God of Our Mothers and Fathers

We Rise

Prayer & Peace

Children's Message Beth Feiler

First Scripture: Leviticus 19:18 Second Scripture: 1 John 4:7-12

SERMON SERIES: "READING THROUGH THE BIBLE"

Sermon: "God is Love" Rev. Robert Bronkema

*Closing Song Goodness of God

*Benediction



NEXT WEEK February 20, 2022

First Scripture: Numbers 6:23-27
Second Scripture: 1 Corinthians 11:23-26
Sermon: "The Blessing of the New Covenant"
Rev. Robert K. Bronkema, Preaching

IN NEED OF ASSISTANCE. . .

COFFEE HOUR HOSTS WANTED – We are in need of Coffee Hour hosts. Please sign up in Fellowship Hall for the month of April, if you are able to serve. Thank you!

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD - We are collecting children's items for *Operation Christmas Child* this year. In February, we will be collecting clothes items. This includes: hats, mittens, gloves, socks, baseball caps, sunglasses, bandanas and tee-shirts. A collection bin is at welcome desk area. Any questions, contact Beth Feiler.

DINNERS FOR THE FPC YOUTH GROUP - Anyone interested in preparing dinner for the youth group on Sunday nights, there is a sign-up sheet hanging on the church lobby wall. Print your name next to the date you can bring a meal. They must be brought to Fellowship Hall Kitchen by 5:15pm on Sunday ready to serve. Please do not cook with nuts (Serve 20) For questions, contact Danny Miller, Youth Director, 484-753-1092 or dmiller@straspres.org.

GREAT BEGINNINGS PRESCHOOL is always very appreciative of your donations which help keep the tuition costs down! There is a bin in the welcome area for your donations. Needed are: white paper plates, napkins, Kleenex, 5 oz. cups, wet wipes, crackers, pretzels, animal crackers, cookies, raisins, apples and carrots.

FOOD BANK NEW LISTING OF NEEDS: Coffee, jelly, powdered drinks (Tang, Kool Aid, etc.), canned chicken, paper towels, shampoo, Dinty Moore canned stew, Chef Boyardee canned food, spaghetti sauce in plastic jars (Prego, Classico, etc.) and 4-pack bathroom tissue. Thank you for your many donations!

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED for Sunday School and Children's Church. Please contact Beth Feiler for more information at bfeiler@straspres.org. Thank you!

WEEK AT A GLANCE

11 am **Worship** (Contemporary) - In-person and virtually online at:

https://www.voutube.com/channel/UCzoMo4VUuahmT0CFUtwZzgg

Young Adults - Choir Rm Wired Word - Rm 6 Young at Heart - Rm 3/4

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

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

5:30 pm **FPC youth group --** Student Ministry room

Monday, February 14

7 pm Mission & Finance Meeting – Room 5

Tuesday, February 15

9 am & 7 pm Ladies Bible Study - Room 3/4

2 pm Food Bank & Computer Lab

Wednesday, February 16

1 pm Knifty Knitters – Room 6 3 pm Stitchin' Sisters – Room 3/4

6:30 pm Annual Church Officer Gathering – Fellowship Hall

7 pm Session Meeting – Room 3/4

Thursday, February 17

6:30 am Men's Prayer Breakfast – The Well Bring your own coffee/breakfast items 9:30 am Creating Landmarks; Visual Journaling Through Scripture – Rm 5

6 pm Bible Study - https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCzoMo4VUuahmT0CFUtwZzgg

7 pm Choir Rehearsal – Choir Room

Friday, February 18

9 am Toddler Gym - Fellowship Hall2 pm Food Bank & Computer Lab

Saturday, February 19

5:30 pm Mission 2022 Auction – Fellowship Hall



Sermon Notes						

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WELCOME!

We are glad to see you here today! If you are visiting or new to the area, please fill out a visitors' card located in the pew pockets. Check out our website: www.straspres.org under the "Happenings" tab for current church events and be sure to like us on Facebook.

COFFEE HOUR

Join us today in Fellowship Hall & each Sunday at 9:30 am for coffee and fellowship with old and new friends. Hostess for today: Justine & Dan Colvin. Hosts for next week: Donna Burkholder & David Witmer. There are sign-up sheets in Fellowship Hall for anyone wishing to help with *Coffee Hour*. Please choose the date(s) that work best for you.

HAPPENING TODAY...

BLANKET SUNDAY • The proceeds of this offering go to Church World Service who provide blankets, health kits, school kits, cleaning supplies and baby items to people here at home and all over the world who have been devastated by earthquakes, fire, floods, hurricanes, etc. .

SUPER BOWL OF CARING CAMPAIGN • Our church is collecting canned goods and cash donations today after both worship services 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. All donations will be used here to support our food bank.

HAPPENING NEXT WEEKEND

MISSION TO ITALY 2022 AUCTION • February 19 - We are thrilled to be able to once again invite you to participate in an auction to help benefit the Mission to Italy 2022 by the Senior High Youth of First Presbyterian. On February 19 the doors will open at 5:30 pm and the auction begins at 6:15 pm. This year you can also participate virtually by zooming at this address: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/9703411314

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING – A special congregational meeting has been called by Session for **Sunday, February 20, 2022 at 12:15 p.m.** The purpose of the meeting is:

- 1. To approve the sale of 121 South Decatur Street
- 2. To nominate and elect one Congregation-At-Large Member for the 2022 Church Officer Nominating Comm.

LENTEN SERVICES & LUNCHEONS - Lent is almost upon us: It is hard to believe that we are a month away from Ash Wednesday. Join us for weekly services here at First Presbyterian offered by the Strasburg Ministerium. On Ash Wednesday, March 2, we will have services at 6am, 12noon, and 6pm. The noon service will be led by the Strasburg Mennonite Church. The schedule for the following weeks are as following: March 9, Wesley United Methodist Church, March 16 High View Church of God, March 23 St. Michael's Lutheran Church, March 30 Acts Covenant Fellowship and April 6 First Presbyterian. All services will be held in the sanctuary here at First Presbyterian and the noon services will be followed by a luncheon. Join us!

PRESCHOOL REGISTRATION FOR SEPTEMBER NOW OPEN

Preschool registration for the 2022/23 Preschool Year is **NOW** open! **Classes available are:**

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

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

COLLEGE STUDENT OF THE WEEK - Ivy McComsey, 1122 Washington St, Apt. 2, Indiana PA 15701

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READ THROUGH THE BIBLE - We are currently reading through the Bible together. **Read Through the Bible** pamphlets can be picked up on the information table opposite Pastor Bob's office. Follow along in the daily blog at: http://www.straspres.org/read-through-the-bible





MISSION 2022 BENEFIT AUCTION

Proceeds will support the High School Mission trip to Portici, Italy to teach Vacation Bible School

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2022
DOORS OPEN AT 5:30PM
AUCTION BEGINS AT 6:15PM
FELLOWSHIP HALL
101 S. DECATUR STREET, STRASBURG

TO DONATE TO THE AUCTION, PLEASE CONTACT...



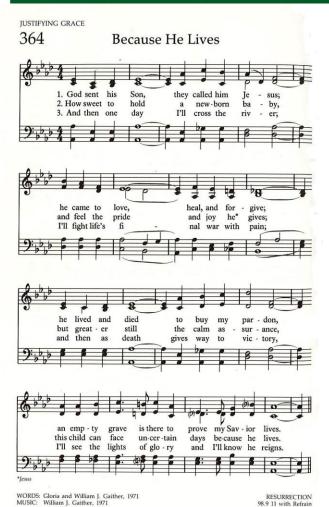
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