

First Presbyterian Church

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Sunday, January 22, 2023

Third Sunday after the Epiphany

PASTOR: Rev. Robert K. Bronkema
ORGANIST / CHOIRMASTER: Dr. Bruce Gerlach
DIRECTOR OF CONTEMPORARY MUSIC: Jon Knauss
DIRECTOR OF CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES: Beth Feiler
DIRECTOR OF YOUTH: Kristin Kondratowski
WORSHIP LEADER/READER: 8:30 Ali Elias / 11:00 Linda Younger

WORSHIP: 8:30 am and 11:00 am

*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 "Adagio" – from Sonata No. 1 F. Mendelssohn

GREETING & ANNOUNCEMENTS / RINGING OF THE BELL

MINUTE FOR MISSION Kristin Kondratowski – Youth Retreat

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Spirit of the living God

People: Fall afresh on us

Leader: Spirit of the living God

People: Fall afresh on me

Leader: Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me

People: Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on us

*HYMN "Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart" No. 326

*PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION

Glorious Lord God, you are the one in whom we live and move and have our being. You are ever-abiding, ever-loving, ever-faithful. Yet at times we mistake your constant presence for a lack of something special. In a world of constant blessing, we long for the extraordinary. At times we take the abundance of your love for granted. In a world scarred by need and hate, we love only those who love us. At times we mis-label your graciousness as our privilege and we forget to give thanks to you. Lord have mercy. Create in us a clean heart, O Lord, and renew a right spirit within us. 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

Tina Dansereau

ANTHEM

"Prayer of St. Francis"
~ Amanda DeKok, Soloist ~

A. Pote

FIRST SCRIPTURE Luke 5:27-32

SECOND SCRIPTURE Luke 18:18-25

SERMON "Not a Fan" Rev. Doug Friant

*HYMN "Lord, I Want to Be a Christian" No. 372

WE BRING OUR GIFTS TO GOD
OFFERTORY "I Need Thee Every Hour" arr. J. Ness Beck

*DOXOLOGY

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

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

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*HYMN "Let There Be Peace on Earth" Insert

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE "Prelude in A Minor" J.S. Bach

**You are invited to stand if you are able during those places in the worship service marked with an asterisk.*

Please keep the following in your prayers

- Blaine & Shirley Danner - Recovering at home
- Vesta Herr - Recovering at home
- Lynn Rohrer - Lancaster Rehab Hospital
- Jane Ott - Recovering at home
- Don Emig - The Gardens at Stevens
- Louise Witmer - Under Hospice Care at The Glen at Willow Valley



In Need of the Prayer Chain?

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

Deacons for the Month of January - Tina Dansereau & Heidi Zook-Payne

Greeting and Announcements

Minute for Mission Kristin Kondratowski – Youth Retreat

*Praise & Worship *Getting Ready*
I Believe
Hungry

Prayer & Peace

Children’s Message Tina Dansereau

First Scripture Luke 5:27-32

Second Scripture Luke 18:18-25

Sermon “Not a Fan” Rev. Doug Friant

*Offering / Closing Song: *Goodness of God*

*Benediction

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NEXT WEEK • January 29, 2023

First Scripture: Hosea 11:1

Second Scripture: Matthew 2:13-15

SERMON SERIES: THE GOSPEL OF RIGHTEOUSNESS

Sermon Title: *From Out of Strasburg, I Called You*
Rev. Robert Bronkema

Sermon Notes

WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sunday, January 22, 2023

8:30 am **Worship** (Traditional)

9:30 am **Coffee Hour**

10 am **Sunday School Class** for all ages – In person only

Children's Sunday School (Grades K - 5) – Rm 12

Youth (Grades 6-12) – Student Ministry Rm Young Adults – Choir Rm

Wired Word – Rm 6 Young at Heart – Rm 3/4

11 am **Worship** (Contemporary)

4:30 pm **Confirmation Class**

5:30 pm **Ignited Student Ministry** dinner • 6 pm gathering in Fellowship Hall

Recurring Daily – Nursery Time • Monday – Friday • 9 am – 1 pm

Tuesday, January 24

2 pm Food Bank

7 pm Smolder group

Wednesday, January 25

1 pm Knifty Knitters – Rm 6

3 pm Stitchin' Sisters – Rm 3/4

Thursday, January 26

6:30 am Men's Prayer Breakfast – The Well Bring your own coffee/breakfast items

9:30 am Creative Landmarks: Visual Art Journaling Through Scripture – Rm 5

6 pm Bible Study <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCzoMo4VUuahmT0CFUtwZzqg/streams>

7 pm Choir Practice

Friday, January 27

9 am Toddler Gym – FH

2 pm Food Bank

6 pm "Our Table" Dinner and Prayer Gathering – Fellowship Hall

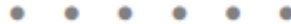
Saturday, January 28

9 am Officer/Staff Retreat

ANNOUNCEMENTS



WELCOME! We are glad to see you here! Check out our website: www.straspres.org under the "Happenings" tab for current church events and please be sure to like us on Facebook. Children's Church is available for kids K-5th grades. Children will go to room 11 after the children's sermon.



COFFEE HOUR - Join us today in Fellowship Hall & each Sunday at 9:30 am for coffee and fellowship with old and new friends. Hosts for today: Ignited Youth. Hosts for next week: Tina Dansereau. Friendly reminder: No peanuts in any treats please. Volunteers are needed. If you would like to help with Coffee Hour, please call Theresa Rineer at 717-682-9954 or email rineertheresa@yahoo.com. There is a sign-up sheet in Fellowship Hall. Please choose the date(s) that work best for you.

NEW MEMBERS CLASS - Beginning today, **Sunday, Jan. 22nd at 3 PM**, anyone who might be interested in learning more about First Presbyterian Church or joining the church family is welcome to attend.

FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT CLASS began on Sunday, January 8, 2023 and continues through March 5th - This culture is *designed* to take you down. Credit cards, car loans, student loans . . . they'll keep you paying way too much money for way too long. But there's one way out of the mess of debt, and it starts right here with *you*. You can change your future today by joining my Financial Peace University class at **First Presbyterian Church**. You'll learn to pay off debt fast, save more money, and build lasting wealth. Sign up today at: www.ramseysolutions.com/ramseyplus/classes/1154920

CHOIR REHEARSAL - NOW would be a good time to **join choir**. Our new rehearsal semester has begun & meets Thursdays at 7 pm. We are always finished by 8:15 or before! Make a joyful noise. Sing to the LORD a NEW song. Please come. You will be glad you did!



We
feed
hungry
people.

"OUR TABLE" NEW WORSHIPPING COMMUNITY

Friday, January 27 - Dinner begins at 6 pm. Got friends? Bring 'em along! Everyone is welcome at Our Table! The meal is followed by an interactive Bible study, worship songs, and prayer. Eat and run or stay for the fun; we're just happy you showed up.

There's always room at Our Table!

ANNOUNCEMENTS (Cont'd)

OFFICERS / STAFF RETREAT DAY • January 27-28 • Begins at 9 AM

THE ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING • Sunday, January 29

The Annual Congregational Meeting is scheduled for Sunday, January 29, 2023 at 12:15 p.m. The purpose of the meeting is to nominate and elect two Congregation-At-Large Members for the 2023 Church Officer Nominating Committee, and to review and receive the 2022 Annual Report.'

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY • February 7 • Calling "all" women. Please mark your calendars that we will be starting a new Bible Study on Tuesday, February 7th. Classes will be held in the morning @ 9:00 or in the evening @ 7:00. All are welcome! We will share information on the new study material in the near future. For any questions please contact Lorraine Oliver, Stacy Bronkema, or Sandy Wenger.

SOUPER BOWL OF CARING • Sunday, February 12 • Once again, our church will be participating in **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 participates in this program. The children will collect money and canned goods at the doors to the sanctuary after both services on February 12th. All donations will be used to support our food bank.

FROM THE LIBRARY – All of your generous book donations to the church library have been appreciated. But, with all of the renovations taking place in the next few months, we have a request. Please hold off on any further book donations for now. The library area is being moved and, with all the changes, it would be difficult to manage further inventory. Again, thanks for your support!

PRAYER - Would you like to pray for IGNITED students in 2023? We'd love to give you a short list and some details about each student so you can pray daily for God to move in their lives! We'll provide you with addresses if you'd like to send cards or small gifts, and at the end of 2023, we'll host a meal so we can celebrate together what God has done through prayer. Contact Kristin@straspres.org to sign up.

MINISTERIUM COMMUNITY IMPACT FUND: The Community Impact Committee is accepting applications for financial relief for help in either rent, utilities or emergency needs. If you are interested in applying for this assistance please contact Alicia Eltman at aeltman@straspres.org.

ANNOUNCEMENTS (Cont'd)

GIVING ENVELOPES – Giving envelopes for 2023 have been distributed to members' mailboxes. If you did not receive envelopes but would like to receive them or if you are receiving envelopes but do not want them, please contact Angie McVey at amcvey@straspres.org.

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



TODDLER GYM • Fridays • 9am – 10am (Sept. – May) • Weekly playtime for ages 1 – kindergarten with their caregivers. This program is free and open to the public. For more information, contact Amy Stauffer at 717-224-3036 or astauffer@straspres.org

ASSISTANCE CORNER

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD – Our church family will continue to collect items for the Samaritans Purse Operation Christmas Child program. In January & February we will collect kids clothing: Knit hats, mittens, gloves, socks, tee-shirts, ball caps, beach hats, bandanas, small tote bags. These items can be put in the OCC box in the Welcome area.

CURRENT FOOD PANTRY NEEDS FOR JANUARY: Single rolls of paper towels, single roll or 4-pack of toilet tissue, box of tissues

THE NURSERY is in need of volunteers for the first and second Sunday services. If able to lend a helping hand, please contact Amy Stauffer at: astauffer@straspres.org and 717-224-3036

PRESCHOOL NEEDS DONATIONS OF: Paper towels, white paper plates (small & large), napkins, tissues, sanitizing wipes, 5 oz. wax cups, Graham Crackers, pretzels, Animal Crackers, Goldfish Crackers, popcorn. Thank you for your contributions! Donations help to keep the tuition costs down.

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS NEEDED – Teachers are needed for the children's classes, kindergarten – 2nd grade and 3rd – 5th grades who can give their time **one Sunday a month** to lead a class. Lesson plans can be prepared for you. Contact Beth Feiler: bfeiler@straspres.org
Thank you!

431 Let There Be Peace on Earth

Let there be peace on earth, and let it be - gin with

me; let there be peace on earth, the peace that was

meant to be. *With God our cre - a - tor,

chil - dren all are we. Let us

walk with each oth - er in per - fect har - mo - ny.

**Original words: With God as our Father, brothers all are we. Let me walk with my brother in perfect harmony.*

WORDS: Sy Miller and Jill Jackson

MUSIC: Sy Miller and Jill Jackson; harm. by Charles H. Webb, 1987

WORLD PEACE
1st.

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Let peace be - gin with me; let this be the mo - ment

now. With ev - ery step I take, let

this be my sol - emn vow: to take each mo - ment and

live each mo - ment in peace e - ter - nal - ly.

Let there be peace on earth, and let it be - gin with me.