

First Presbyterian Church

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Sunday, February 5, 2023

Fifth 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 Lynda Cornelia / 11:00 Jeffrey Marsh

WORSHIP: 8:30 am and 11:00 am

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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

*"Prayer"
"I Am His and He is Mine"*

Beethoven
arr. Colvin

GREETING & ANNOUNCEMENTS / RINGING OF THE BELL

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 139

Leader: For it was you who formed my inward parts;
you knit me together in my mother's womb.

**People: I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made.
Wonderful are your works; that I know very well.**

*HYMN

"Holy God, We Praise Thy Name"

No. 460

*PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION

Forgiving God, you provide us with opportunities to live our lives focused upon the goals you establish for us. But we get distracted and fall into sin and pursue the temptations that lead us away from you. We know that you don't lead us into temptation, and yet we seem to find sin lurking at our door. Strengthen our resolve to obey you even in the midst of a world that ignores you. 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

Ali Elias

ANTHEM

*"Lead Me, Lord"
~ Laura Aines, Soloist ~*

S. Wesley

FIRST SCRIPTURE

Genesis 2:15-17, 3:1-7

SECOND SCRIPTURE

Matthew 4:1-11

SERMON SERIES: MATTHEW: THE GOSPEL OF RIGHTEOUSNESS

SERMON "When We Are Led into Temptation" Rev. Bob Bronkema

*HYMN "O Jesus, I Have Promised" No. 388

WE BRING OUR GIFTS TO GOD
OFFERTORY "Bist du Bei Mir" Bach

*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 "He Leadeth Me" Insert

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

Let there be peace on earth and let it begin with me;
Let there be peace on earth, the peace that was meant to be.
With God our Creator, children all are we.
Let us walk with each other in perfect harmony.
Let peace begin with me; let this be the moment now.
With every step I take let this be my solemn vow:
To take each moment and live each moment in peace eternally.
Let there be peace on earth, and let it begin with me.

*POSTLUDE "Jubilate Deo" Handel

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

Sermon Notes

WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sunday, February 5

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

Tuesday, February 7

- 9 am New Ladies Bible Study – Rm 3/4
2 pm Food Bank
6 pm Christian Education Committee – Fellowship Hal
7 pm Smolder group
7 pm New Ladies Bible Study – Rm 3/4
7 pm Worship Committee – The Well

Wednesday, February 8

- 1 pm Knifty Knitters – Rm 6
3 pm Stitchin' Sisters – Rm 3/4
6:30 pm Trustees – Rm 3/4
7 pm Deacons Meeting – Rm 3/4

Thursday, February 9

- 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/UCzoMo4VUuahmT0CFUtwZzgg/streams>
7 pm Choir Practice

Friday, February 10

- 9 am Toddler Gym – FH
2 pm Food Bank
6 pm "Our Table" Dinner and Prayer Gathering – Fellowship Hall

Saturday, February 11

- 9:30 am Martha Circle – Rm 3/4

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: Carol & Ray Reinmiller. Hosts for next week: The Colvin Family 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.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY • February 7 • We will be starting a new Bible Study this Tuesday, February 7th. Classes will be held in the morning @ 9:00 or in the evening @ 7:00. All are welcome! We will be using a new study called "The Surpassing Value of Knowing CHRIST" by Beth Moore & Melissa Moore – A study of Philippians. For any questions please contact Lorraine Oliver, Stacy Bronkema, or Sandy Wenger.



We
feed
hungry
people.

"OUR TABLE" NEW WORSHIPPING COMMUNITY

Every Friday Night - 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!

SOUPER BOWL OF CARING • Sunday, February 12 • Once again, our church will be participating in **The Souper Bowl of Caring** campaign which 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 support our food bank.

BLANKET SUNDAY • February 19 - The proceeds of this offering go to Church World Service. They 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.



ANNOUNCEMENTS (Con't)

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!

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.

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 interested in applying for this assistance, please contact Alicia Eltman at aeltman@straspres.org.

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

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





Super Bowl Party

Come one, come all! Nothing beats watching the big game with friends. That's why you're invited to watch the Eagles trounce the Chiefs in Arizona ...or vice versa, it really doesn't matter to us. Bring a dish to share if you are able, and we'll see you on Sunday, Feb 12, at 6 pm in FPCS' Fellowship Hall!

ASSISTANCE CORNER

HELP WANTED – The preschool is growing and we need your help! We are looking to compile a list of church members willing to help out as a preschool aide in an emergency situation. If you are able to be added to our list, please contact Heather at hreynolds@straspres.org or 717-617-9501. Thank you!

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.

JANUARY FOOD PANTRY NEEDS: Single rolls of paper towels, single roll or 4-pack of toilet tissue, box of tissues, pudding and pancake mix

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 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!

IF:2023

A GLOBAL LIVESTREAM WOMEN'S EVENT

MARCH

3-4

6:30-10:30P FRI
10A-5P SAT

FIRST PRES. STRASBURG 101 S DECATUR ST.
\$10 REGISTRATION DUE 2/19
EMAIL KRISTIN@STRASPRES.ORG

I can attend the entire event

I can attend Friday only

I can attend Saturday only

Full Name _____

Phone Number _____

Email _____

(Place this card in Kristin Kondratowski's mailbox or email her for the link to register online)

PROVISION AND LEADING

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In Your unfailing love You will lead the people You have redeemed. Ex. 15:13

- 1. He lead-eth me! O bless-ed thought! O words with heav'n-ly com-fort fraught!
2. Lord, I would clas-p Thy hand in mine, Nor ev-er mur-mur nor re-pine,
3. And when my task on earth is done, When, by Thy grace, the vic-t'ry's won,

What-e'er I do, wher-e'er I be, Still 'tis God's hand that lead-eth me!
Con-tent, what-ev-er lot I see, Since 'tis Thy hand that lead-eth me!
E'en death's cold wave I will not flee, Since God thru Jor-dan lead-eth me!

Refrain

He lead-eth me, He lead-eth me, By His own hand He lead-eth me:

His faith-ful fol-l'wer I would be, For by His hand He lead-eth me.

TEXT: Joseph Gilmore
MUSIC: William B. Bradbury

HE LEADETH ME
L.M. with Refrain

Optional transition to
"Gloria, Like a Shepherd Lead Us"