

Announcements

Church Response - We will be collecting toiletry items during the month of February for Church Response. Along with regular toiletry items such as soap, shampoo, and toothpaste, they also need toilet paper and diapers (sizes 2 & 3). Please place your donated items in the baskets in the Narthex (entryway) or bring them to the church office during the week. Thank you for your generosity.
- **Glenna Books, Church Response Board Member.**

Potluck Take-Over - The youth in the Cross Walkers will be taking over the potluck on Sunday, March 1. Come eat at the potluck without having to bring anything! The youth will provide all of the food for the potluck. They are asking for donations to support the Cross Walker Food Bags. Money or easily-opened, non-perishable food items (pop-top cans, individual chips, granola bars, etc.) are greatly appreciated. Our talented youth will also provide musical entertainment during the potluck.

Ash Wednesday - Our Ash Wednesday service will be at 6:00 p.m. on February 26. This will include a soup supper followed by worship.

Pen Pals - The Pen Pal Program will begin March 1. If you are interested in corresponding with a child in our congregation through the season of Lent, contact Paula Zavitz at paula@fpcrc.org.

2020 VBS - Save the date for VBS 2020! Westminster Presbyterian Church will be hosting our joint vacation bible school this year, June 7-11, 5:30 - 8:00 p.m. This year's theme is **FOCUS**. FOCUS VBS will help kids dive deeper into their faith by putting the FOCUS on God and God's amazing plan for us. If you would like to help with this fun event, please contact Paula Zavitz at paula@fpcrc.org.

This Week at First Presbyterian Church

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| Today: | Wired Word | 9:00 a.m. |
| | Worship | 10:00 a.m. |
| | Fellowship | 11:00 a.m. |
| | Forgiveness Small Group | 11:15 a.m. |
| | Youth Group | 5:00 - 7:00 p.m. |
| Monday: | Sew & Sews | 9:30 a.m. |
| Tuesday: | Session | 5:30 p.m. |
| Wednesday: | Sanctuary Bells | 5:45 p.m. |
| | Praise Team | 6:00 p.m. |
| | Chancel Choir | 7:00 p.m. |
| Thursday: | Third Thursday Service @ Westhills | 9:30 a.m. |
| Friday: | Church Office Closed | |
| Saturday: | Men's Fellowship | 7:00 a.m. |
| Sunday: | Wired Word | 9:00 a.m. |
| | Worship | 10:00 a.m. |
| | Fellowship | 11:00 a.m. |
| | Forgiveness Small Group | 11:15 a.m. |
| | PNC | 11:30 a.m. |
| | Youth Group | 5:00 - 7:00 p.m. |



Seeking Christ and serving others until all things are made new.

February 16, 2020

Sixth Sunday after Epiphany

Celebration of Worship

Welcome, Announcements,
and Connection Cards (Seated)

Paula Zavitz

Prelude (Seated)

"Tuya Es La Gloria"

Susan T. Sylvester

Sanctuary Bells; Linda Rose, director

Call to Worship (Standing)

Leader: Happy are those who find delight in the law of the Lord.

People: **Happy are those who set their hearts on finding God.**

Leader: Let us come together to praise God with an upright heart.

People: **That our ways may be steadfast in keeping God's statutes.**

Leader: Let us worship God, the giver of new life and author of salvation.

Hymn #625 (Standing)

"O Lord My God" (How Great Thou Art)

Stanza 1, All

Stanza 2, All

Stanza 3, Choir, All join on refrain

Stanza 4, All

Serving This Week

Lector - Chris Dancy
Godly Play - Paula Zavitz &
Ethan Young
AV - Lenny Young & Ivan Kundel
Coffee Servers - Carol Merbach &
Shari West-Twitero
Bus Driver - Rex Field

Serving Next Week

Lector - Youth
Godly Play - Katie Wiedrich &
Donita O'Meara
AV - Ron Bischoff & Chris Dancy
Coffee Servers - Tiffany Hunt
Bus Driver - Rex Field

Prayer Requests

Audrey Hamm
Al Johnson
Dianne Rodrigue
Peter Bissonette
The Longden Family

First Presbyterian Church Staff

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| Rev. Dr. Diane Janssen Hemmen | Head of Staff |
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Prayer of Confession (Seated) Chris Dancy

Leader: Singing of the greatness of the Lord brings joy to our lives.
Yet, to find peace and hope it is also necessary
to offer a confession of our sin.
Let us therefore turn to God with a prayer of confession:
People: **Lord, even though we know your Son died on the cross
to take away our sin,
we still find evil in our hearts leading us into sin.
Too often, even when we seek to do good,
we find that evil lies close at hand.
We know that in your eyes,
thoughts and words are as bad as the actions themselves.
We pray, O God, that you forgive our sinful ways
and inspire us to live in ways
which do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with you
in all that we do.
For this we pray in the name of our Lord and Savior,
Jesus Christ. Amen.**

Assurance of Pardon (Seated)

Leader: God says, “I will set my laws in their hearts and remember their
sins no more.” This is the good news:
In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.
People: **How great it is to trust in a loving God! Amen.**

Passing of the Peace (Standing)

Leader: The Lord be with you.
People: **And also with you.**
Leader: As God has greeted us with his peace,
so let us pass the peace of Christ to each other.
The congregation offers one another signs of welcome, peace and reconciliation.

Response of Praise #582 (Standing)

“Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me”
Stanza 1 only

Children’s Message (Seated)

The First Lesson (Seated)

Deuteronomy 30:15-20

Leader: The word of the Lord.
People: **Thanks be to God!**

The Second Lesson (Seated)

Matthew 5:17-26

Leader: The word of the Lord.
People: **Thanks be to God!**

Rev. Dr. John Pehrson

The Message (Seated)

“Dealing with Anger”

Affirmation of Faith (Standing)

The Apostles’ Creed

All: **I believe in God the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth,**

and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord;
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried;
he descended into hell;
the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and sitteth on the right hand
of God the Father Almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost;
the holy catholic church;
the communion of saints;
the forgiveness of sins;
the resurrection of the body;
and the life everlasting. Amen.

Hymn #169 (Standing)

“Dear Lord and Father of Mankind”

Minute for Mission (Seated)

Youth

Concerns and Celebrations (Seated)

Prayers of the People (Seated)

The Lord’s Prayer (Seated)

All: **Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come; thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors;
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power,
and the glory, forever. Amen.**

Gathering of Tithes, Offerings and Connection Cards (Seated)

Offertory (Seated)

Hymn #762, “When the Poor Ones”

Chancel Choir

Matthew Bumbach, guitar

Doxology #606 (Standing)

“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”

Prayer of Dedication (Standing)

Hymn #443 (Standing)

“There Is a Redeemer”

Charge and Benediction (Standing)

Postlude

“Trumpet Voluntary”

Dr. Charles Canaan, organist

John James
