

# **First Presbyterian Church**

**Welcomes you for Worship  
February 10, 2019**

**Rev. David Smith  
Minister**



## **Our Vision**

**By the grace of Jesus Christ,  
We will strive to share the  
Good News with the world,  
To nurture our faith, and to  
Go into the world sharing  
Christ's love and mercy.**

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**SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY**  
**Fifth Sunday after Epiphany**

February 10, 2019

10:15 am

**Assemble in God's Name**

**BIBLICAL AND INFORMAL GREETING**

*Following brief announcements, the congregation is invited to prepare in silence for worship.  
Please use this time to pray, to meditate, or to read the Scriptures for today.*



PRELUDE

"How Great Is Our God"  
Glorify!

C. Tomlin/J. Reeves

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

James Campbell

We have come from different backgrounds on various roads to get here.

***But we are all here seeking an experience of the holy.***

Listen for the promise of God's steadfast love and God's faithfulness.

***We are listening for God's call in our lives.***



**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

***Holy One, earth and heaven reverberate with your glory, and humans and angels alike sing your praises. Open our minds to your breathtaking work in the world, even as you call us to spread the good news of Jesus Christ, our mentor and savior, in whose name we pray. Amen.***



**\*HYMN 488 (Blue Hymnal)**

"The God of Abraham Praise"

LEONI

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION**



***O God, though we walk in the midst of trouble, you preserve and deliver us. Though our lips are not clean and our hearts are not pure, you call us. Forgive us, when we wander away from you. Forgive us when our lives do not reflect your glory and the purpose you intend. Help us understand your ways in the world. We long to feel your grace. In you, we can be healed and set free.***

**PERIOD OF SILENCE FOR PERSONAL CONFESSION**

**\*ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

In the temple, Isaiah heard these words:

"Your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out."

***God's grace toward us has not been in vain!***

***In Christ's death and resurrection, we have been saved. Thanks be to God!***



**\*PASSING OF THE PEACE**

May the peace of Christ be with you!

***And also with you!***



**\*RESPONSE**

"Gloria Patri"

No. 579 (Blue Hymnal)

**Proclaim God's Word**



**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**



FIRST SCRIPTURE

Isaiah 6:1-8  
The Word of the Lord.  
***Thanks be to God!***

OT 635



ANTHEM

“Amazing Grace”  
Chancel Choir

Arr. N. Luboff

Amazing grace, how sweet the sound, that saved a wretch like me.  
I once was lost, but now am found, was blind but now can see.  
  
’Twas grace that taught my heart to fear. And grace my fears relieved;  
How precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed.  
  
Through many dangers, toils and snares, I have already come;  
’Tis grace hath brought me safe this far, and grace will lead me home.  
  
When we’ve been there ten thousand years bright shining as the sun  
We’ve no less days to sing God’s praise than when we first begun.



SECOND SCRIPTURE

1 Corinthians 15:1-11  
The Word of the Lord.  
***Thanks be to God!***

NT 176

THE CHILDREN’S SERMON

Brad Thomas



PRAISE SONG

“Praise Him, Praise Him, God is Love”  
PresbyPraise



THE WORD PROCLAIMED

“Power to Pursue Justice”

The Rev. David Smith

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Apostles’ Creed

***I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.  
I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come again to judge the living and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.***

**Give Thanks To God**



HYMN 25 (White Hymnal)

“From the Sun’s Rising”



PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

The Lord be with you.

***And also with you.***

Let us pray.

THE LORD’S PRAYER (Traditional, page 16 of the hymnal. We use “debts” and “debtors.”)



OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS (Visitors, we invite you to share your contact info on a Welcome Card.)



OFFERTORY “Fantasy 3 (Little canonic variations on ‘Jesus bids us shine’)” K. Leighton

\*DOXOLOGY No. 592 (Blue Hymnal)

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION



Lift up your hearts.

*We lift them up to God.*

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*It is right to give you thanks and praise. Holy One, we give you thanks for your generosity to us. Bless these gifts and multiply them, for the sake of those in need around us; in Jesus’ name. Amen.*

**Go In God's Name**



\*HYMN 434 (Blue Hymnal) “Today We Are Called to Be Disciples” KINGSFOLD

\*DISMISSAL AND BLESSING



POSTLUDE “Trumpet Voluntary No. 5, Op. 7” J. Stanley

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*\*Indicates those who are able, please stand.*

**WELCOME TO FIRST PRESBYTERIAN!** If you are visiting, we would welcome the opportunity to tell you more about our church family. We invite you to use one of the Welcome Cards you will find in the pew racks to share your information with us.

**THE SANCTUARY FLOWERS TODAY** are given to the glory of God by Pack/Troop/Crew 207 (American Legion Post 64).

**THANK YOU TO GLORIFY!, PRESBYPRAISE, AND TO CHANCEL CHOIR FOR SHARING THEIR MUSICAL GIFTS THIS MORNING!**

**TODAY IS SCOUT SUNDAY!** Welcome to all our Scouts and their families worshipping with us today!

**DURING THE PEAK OF THE FLU SEASON WE HAVE ALTERED THE PASSING OF THE PEACE.** Following the verbal passing of the peace, we will sing the response. Greet one another following the service but please be respectful of any who may wish to avoid close contact.

**THANKS TO OUR VOLUNTEERS:**

WORSHIP LEADER: James Campbell, Life Scout, Troop 20 CHILDREN’S SERMON: Brad Thomas  
JUNIOR CHURCH: Brad Thomas SOUND SYSTEM: John Lee  
FLOWER DELIVERY: The Congregation LIVESTREAM: Isaac Warner  
SIP N CHAT: Scouts of Kootaga District (Buckskin) and River Trails District (Muskingum Valley)  
USHERS: Scouts

**WE INVITE YOU TO JOIN US DOWNSTAIRS IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL AFTER WORSHIP FOR SIP N CHAT.** We also invite you to take part in the life of this congregation by participating in any activity that can help you on your spiritual journey. Regular Sunday activities are:  
9:00 – Sunday School 10:15—Worship Service 11:30—Sip N Chat in Fellowship Hall

**THE CHRISTIAN GROWTH SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS IS BEGINNING A JAMES MOORE BOOK.** The class will be reading and discussing *The Best of James W. Moore - Thoughts in Faith and Grace from a Master Storyteller*. Please see Ann Stewart for a copy of the book. First time attendees are welcome!

**DID YOU MAKE A NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTION TO BLESS OTHERS?** Consider blessing others with your musical gifts by joining one of the church music groups.

**PresbyPraise (children):** Sundays from 9 to 9:15 in the Chapel

**Glorify! (youth):** Right after the service in the Chapel

**Westminster Bells (youth and adults):** Wednesdays from 5 to 6 in the Bell room

**Joyful Hearts (women's gospel chorus):** Wednesdays from 6:30 to 7 in the Chapel

**Chancel Choir (youth and adults):** Wednesdays from 7:15 to 8:15 in the Chapel

**MEMBERS, WE INVITE YOU TO HELP DEFRAY THE COST OF PER CAPITA.** Per Capita is a per member apportionment the church makes to the denomination to support expenses at the local, regional and national level. This year's per capita is \$30.56. Please consider a donation to help with this \$6700 line-item in the budget. Please mark your contribution "per capita".

**REDUCING EXPENSES & OUR CARBON FOOTPRINT!** We are printing fewer bulletins and inviting those worshipping to share.

**SMITTY'S PIZZA FUNDRAISER FOR PIONEER PRESCHOOL.** Please help support Pioneer Preschool by purchasing lunch or dinner (or both!) on February 14, 21 and 28 from 11am-11pm. By ordering subs and/or pizzas, \$.50 per item will be donated to Pioneer Preschool. If you are ordering before 4pm you must mention Pioneer Preschool for the donation to go to them. Pioneer Preschool is closing at the end of the year and these kinds of fundraisers are important to help them finalize all their financial responsibilities. **Thank you for your support.**

**THE 2019 FLOWER CALENDAR HAS BEEN POSTED.** You can sign up to purchase flowers for a Sunday. The cost is \$15. Please email or call the office with the message you would like to appear in the bulletin for that Sunday. **The next available Sundays are March 10 and 17.**

**THE SIP N CHAT HOSTING SIGN UP FOR THE FIRST SEVERAL MONTHS OF 2019 IS POSTED.** There are open dates in March. Simple snacks are fine.

**WELCOME AND PRAYER REQUESTS CARDS, AND DONATION ENVELOPES ARE IN THE PEW RACKS.**

**PARENTS, WE HAVE BAGS WITH COLORING AND DRAWING SUPPLIES FOR CHILDREN TO USE DURING WORSHIP.** These are in the narthex (the entryway to the sanctuary) on one of the pews. Ushers can help you locate these. Included are a children's bulletin and a coloring page.

**HAVE INPUT FOR OUR CHURCH LEADERS?** *Open Line to Session* cards can be found on the table at the top of the main stairwell. Cards must be signed when providing input.

**INTERESTED IN LUNCH AND A SHOW ON MARCH 3?** After worship on Sunday a group of adults will be going out to eat lunch and, for those interested, attend a performance of the "Little Mermaid" at the high school. *There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board at the foot of the stairs.* The restaurant will be chosen based on number interested, and we will make reservations. After the meal, those interested will go see the 2:00 pm performance. Several youth connected to the church are in the production. Each person is responsible for cost of the meal and tickets. You may sign up for lunch, the play, or both. Show tickets are available in advance at the high school or you can get them that afternoon.

**YOUTH GROUP MEETING DATES:**  
**FEBRUARY 10TH, 24TH (1-3PM) FOR 6<sup>TH</sup> THROUGH 12<sup>TH</sup> GRADE**  
**FEBRUARY 10TH, 24TH (7-8:30PM) FOR HIGH SCHOOL & COLLEGE**

**SPECIAL EVENTS!!!**

**February 15th-16th - Youth Lock-In - 8PM - 8AM**

You may be right, we may be crazy, but we are hosting our annual Lock In. We will have games, worship, food, and plenty of activities. This event is for all students from 6th-12th grade. We will certainly need volunteers to help us run the event and to bring snacks. A sign-up sheet will be on the bulletin board.

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**YOUTH GROUP SCHEDULE AND OFFERINGS**

**Youth Group for 6<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> grade** – Sundays 1 to 3pm

Fellowship, music, lessons and group games

**High School & College Group** – Normally biweekly, Sundays 7 to 8:30pm at FPC

Off weeks we will look at some off-campus locations

*Signups for volunteers are located on the bulletin board by the Wooster Street entrance*

**ACTIVITIES FOR FEBRUARY 10-17**

**Sunday**

9:00 – Adult SunSch  
9:00 – Presby Praise  
9:15 – Children/ Youth  
Sunday School  
10:15 – Worship  
11:30 – Sip N Chat  
1:00 – Confirmation  
7:00 – High School &  
College Group

**Monday**

**Tuesday**

5:00 – Glorify! Combo  
7:00 – Session

**Wednesday**

3:20 – Scholars on Fourth  
5:00 – Westminster Bells  
6:30 – Joyful Hearts  
7:15 – Chancel Choir

**Thursday**

5:30 – Girl Scouts  
5:30 – Stampin Up  
7:00 – AA

**Friday**

8:00 – Youth Lock-In

**Saturday**

8:00 – Youth Lock-In ends  
8:00 – Men's Fellowship  
9:00 – AA  
10:00 – SDA Church School  
& Worship

**Next Sunday –**

Scriptures  
Jeremiah 17:5-10  
1 Corinthians 15:20-28  
Sermon – “Trust in God  
and Justice”