

SERVICE OF WORSHIP FOR JANUARY 21, 2024

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

INTROIT 170 You Walk along Our Shoreline (vrs.1) LIEBLICH IST DER MAIEN

Gathering Around The Word

*CALL TO WORSHIP from Ps. 62:5-8
One: For God alone my soul waits in silence, my hope is from God.
All: God alone is our rock and our salvation, our fortress; We shall not be shaken.
One: On God rests my deliverance and my honor; my mighty rock, my refuge is in God.
All: Trust in him at all times, O people; pour out your heart before him; God is a refuge for us.

*HYMN 442 Just As I Am, without One Plea WOODWORTH

CALL TO CONFESSION from Ps. 62:8

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)
Almighty God, in Jesus Christ
you called us to be a servant people,
but we do not do what you command.
We are often silent when we should speak,
and useless when we could be useful.
We have not loved others as ourselves.
We have not shared our resources
or ourselves with those who have needed us;
we have neglected the poor, the hungry, the abused.
Have mercy on us, O God. Forgive us and free us from sin;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON
One: This is the word of the Lord: in Jesus Christ, you are forgiven by God and given new life.
All: In Jesus Christ, you are forgiven! Thanks be to God!

*PASSING THE PEACE
We invite you to share the peace of Christ with others.

*RESPONSE 581 GLORIA PATRI
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen, amen.
*for portions marked with an asterisk, you're invited to rise in body or spirit

Listening To the Word

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION OF GOD’S WORD

FIRST READING JONAH 3:1-5, 10
(The scripture readings can be found on the side panel of the bulletin)

ANTHEM 721 Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore (vrs.1,3,4)
PESCADOR DE HOMBRES

SECOND READING MARK 1:14-20

SERMON “Fishing” Rev. Burt McGlawn

Responding to the Word

*HYMN 649 Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound AMAZING GRACE

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH APOSTLES’ CREED

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;
on 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 life everlasting. Amen.

SHARING OUR PRAYERS See prayer concerns list, back page

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD’S PRAYER page 35 in hymnal

GIVING BACK TO GOD’S KINGDOM
God is our rock and our fortress.
Let us celebrate our salvation
by fearlessly giving a portion
of what has already been given to us.

OFFERTORY

*THE DOXOLOGY 606
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Christ, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, you heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION from Mark 1:17

God Sends Us Forth

*HYMN 269 Lead On, O King Eternal! LANCASHIRE

*CHARGE & BENEDICTION

*BLESSING
HYMN 543 God, Be the Love to Search and Keep Me (vrs.5) GREEN TYLER

POSTLUDE

Visiting today? Welcome!
Please tell us a little about yourself!
You can scan this QR code with your smartphone to fill out our online form.
We would love to get to know you better!

This Week
TODAY! @ 4:00pm - Interracial Dialogue
Wed., Jan. 24 @ 5:30pm - Fellowship Meal
Thur., Jan. 25 @ 4:00pm - Deacons Meeting
Thur., Jan. 25 @ 5:00pm - Session Meeting *Note Time*
Thur., Jan. 25 @ 5:30pm - PW to Expressions Tea & Gifts
Thur., Jan. 25 @ 5:45pm - Centering Prayer

Worship Assistants Next Week
Liturgist.....Brenda Wesley
Ushers.....George Joplin & Erin Stephens
Audio.....Paul Guffey
Video.....Sue Guffey
Coffee Plus.....Suzanne Kidd

First Reading—Jonah 3:1-5, 10

¹The word of the Lord came to Jonah a second time, saying, ²“Get up, go to Nineveh, that great city, and proclaim to it the message that I tell you.” ³So Jonah set out and went to Nineveh, according to the word of the Lord. Now Nineveh was an exceedingly large city, a three days’ walk across. ⁴Jonah began to go into the city, going a day’s walk. And he cried out, “Forty days more, and Nineveh shall be overthrown!” ⁵And the people of Nineveh believed God; they proclaimed a fast, and everyone, great and small, put on sackcloth. ¹⁰When God saw what they did, how they turned from their evil ways, God changed his mind about the calamity that he had said he would bring upon them, and he did not do it.

Second Reading—Mark 1:14-20

¹⁴Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee proclaiming the good news of God ¹⁵and saying, “The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news.” ¹⁶As Jesus passed along the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net into the sea, for they were fishers. ¹⁷And Jesus said to them, “Follow me, and I will make you fishers of people.” ¹⁸And immediately they left their nets and followed him. ¹⁹As he went a little farther, he saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John, who were in their boat mending the nets. ²⁰Immediately he called them, and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired men and followed him.

Scripture verses taken from the New Revised Standard Updated Edition



Prayers for Comfort, Concern, and Healing

The family of Willie D. Osbourne; The family of Cornelia Butler; Autumn Brock; Pat Carpenter’s son, Josh White; Angie Butler; Barbie Cooper; Rogelio Castillo; Don Haney; Autumn Brock’s mom, Marie; Jennifer Williams; Glenda Wilson; Pat Carpenter; Bill House; Ed & Joyce Mick; Leslie Phillips

Blessing Box Attendant

This Week.....Steve & Susan Cornelius
Next Week.....Marci & Terry Randall

Assisting In Worship Today

Ministers.....Every Member
Liturgist.....Hannah Vaught
Ushers.....Zack Vaught & Marty Whitson
Audio.....Josh Jones
Video.....Jon Burlew
Coffee Plus.....Brenda Wesley
Director of Music.....Theresa Jean Kibby
Piano & Organ.....Debby McDonald
Preacher.....Rev. Burt McGlawn

Deacons:

Paula Burlew	Eileen Stockham	Carol Prater
Cindy Fountain	Mary Beth Waller	Sue Guffey
Marshall Judy	Marci Randall	

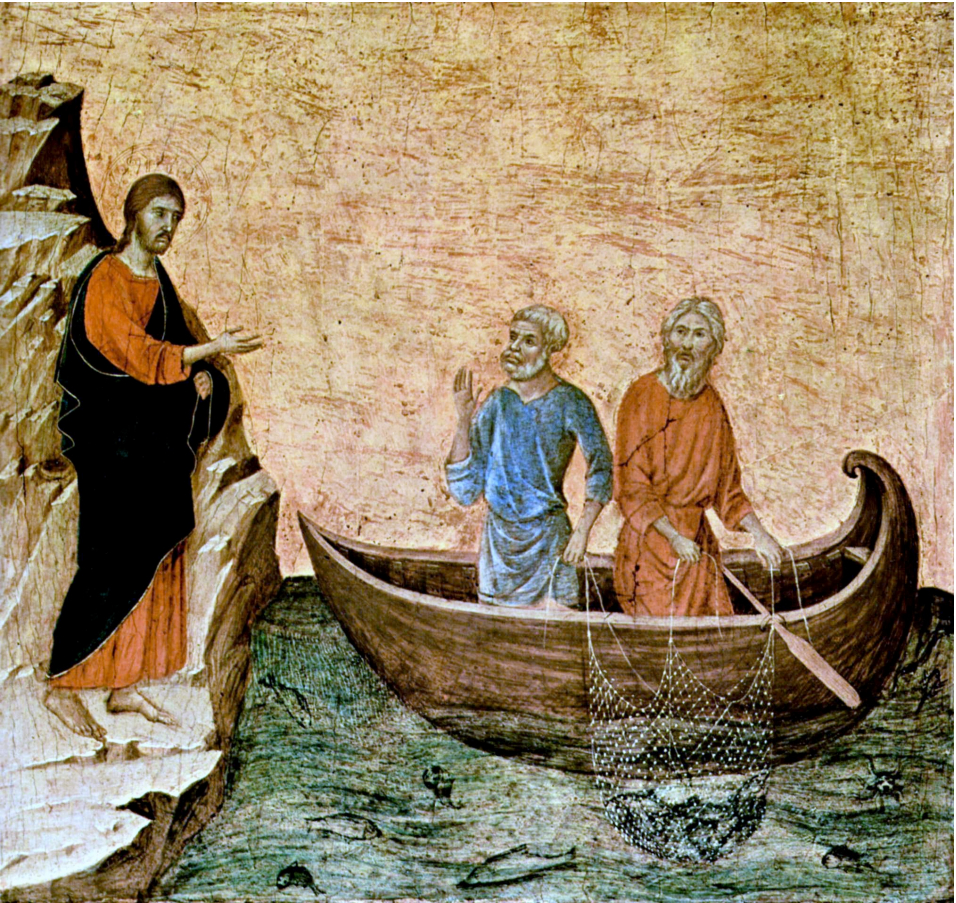
Elders:

<i>Class of 2024</i>	<i>Class of 2025</i>	<i>Class of 2026</i>
Charles Leveridge	Sharon Mandt	Jo Salmon
Zack Vaught	Perry Waller	Laura Wright
John Wright		

First Presbyterian Church

January 21st, 2024

The Third Sunday
after Epiphany



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People of God, Welcome Home!

May Christ’s peace and presence fill your heart as you worship this day, and may you go forth with the light and love of God shining within you.

We welcome you to worship, and ask that any electronic devices be placed on silent so that all may hear what God has to say.