SERVICE OF WORSHIP FOR JAN. 19, 2025

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE Precious Lord, Take My Hand arr. Mark Hayes

INTROIT 339 Lift Every Voice and Sing (vrs 1) LIFT EVERY VOICE

Gathering Around The Word

*CALL TO WORSHIP from: Ps. 36:7, 9

One: How precious is the steadfast love of God.

All: All people may take refuge in the shadow of God's embrace.

One: Christ is the fountain of life.

All: In Christ we behold the Light of God.

*HYMN 475 Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing NETTLETON

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

You have blessed us with a variety of gifts, Holy God,
but we are reluctant to share.

We hoard what is most valuable
and make excuses for ourselves when called to share.

The Spirit has blessed each of us uniquely,
but we hide our light under a bushel
and fail to rise to our potential.

God, forgive us and embolden us.

Help us to claim our gifts
and put them to good use. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*PASSING THE PEACE

We invite you to share the peace of Christ with others.

*RESPONSE 582

NEW GLORIA PATRI

Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me, and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me, and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free.

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen. World without end, without end. Amen.

World without end, without end. Amen World without end, without end. Amen.

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. 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

from: John 2:11

FIRST READING ISAIAH 62:1-5

(The scripture readings can be found on the back of the bulletin)

ANTHEM 769 For Everyone Born (vrs. 1) FOR EVERYONE BORN

SECOND READING 1 CORINTHIANS 12:1-11

SERMON "I Will Not Keep Silent" Rev. David Holden

Responding to the Word

*Hymn 300

We Are One in the Spirit

THEY'LL KNOW WE

*Affirmation of Faith

ARE CHRISTIANS FROM THE CONFESSION OF BELHAR

We believe in the triune God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, who gathers, protects and cares for the church through Word and Spirit.

This, God has done since the beginning of the world and will do to the end.

We believe that God has entrusted the church with the message of reconciliation in and through Jesus Christ;

that the church is called to be the salt of the earth and the light of the world,

that the church is called blessed because it is a peacemaker,

that the church is witness both by word and by deed to the new heaven and the new earth in which righteousness dwells.

We believe that God's lifegiving Word and Spirit has conquered the powers of sin and death, and therefore also of irreconciliation and hatred, bitterness and enmity,

that God's lifegiving Word and Spirit
will enable the church to live in a new obedience
which can open new possibilities of life
for society and the world.

SHARING OUR PRAYERS

See prayer concerns list, back page

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER ("debts"/"debtors")

page 35 in hymnal

GIVING BACK TO GOD'S KINGDOM

(Give online @ bit.ly/FPCSomersetGive or scan the code on the yellow pew card)

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: John 2:1-11; 1 Cor. 12:7

God Sends Us Forth

*Hymn 379

We Shall Overcome

WE SHALL OVERCOME

*CHARGE & BENEDICTION

*BLESSING

HYMN 769

For Everyone Born (refrain only) FOR EVERYONE BORN

POSTLUDE

Visiting today? Welcome!

Please tell us about yourself! You can scan this QR code with your smartphone to fill out our online form, or fill out a pew card and drop it in the offering plate.



This Week

Mon., Jan. 20 - Martin Luther King, Jr. Day; Office Closed Tue., Jan. 21 @ 5:30pm - PW Bible Study Wed., Jan. 22 @ 6:30pm - Choir Practice

Worship Assistants Next Week

Liturgist	Paula Burlew
Ushers	Troy Jamieson & Kim King
Audio	Terry Randall
Video	Richard Wright
Coffee Plus	Jo Salmon

First Reading—Isaiah 62:1-5

- For Zion's sake I will not keep silent,
 and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest,
 until her vindication shines out like the dawn
 and her salvation like a burning torch.
- The nations shall see your vindication and all the kings your glory, and you shall be called by a new name that the mouth of the Lord will give.
- You shall be a beautiful crown in the hand of the Lord and a royal diadem in the hand of your God.
- You shall no more be termed Forsaken,
 and your land shall no more be termed Desolate,
 but you shall be called My Delight Is in Her
 and your land Married,
 for the Lord delights in you,
 and your land shall be married.
- For as a young man marries a young woman, so shall your builder marry you, and as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride, so shall your God rejoice over you.

Second Reading—1 Corinthians 12:1-11

¹Now concerning spiritual gifts, brothers and sisters, I do not want you to be ignorant. ²You know that when you were gentiles you were enticed and led astray to idols that could not speak. ³Therefore I want you to understand that no one speaking by the Spirit of God ever says "Let Jesus be cursed!" and no one can say "Jesus is Lord" except by the Holy Spirit.

⁴Now there are varieties of gifts but the same Spirit, ⁵and there are varieties of services but the same Lord, ⁶and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. ⁷To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. ⁸To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, ⁹to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, ¹⁰to another the working of powerful deeds, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. ¹¹All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

Scripture verses taken from the New Revised Standard Version Updated Edition



Prayers for Comfort, Concern, and Healing

Alice & Lee Harrison; David & Brenda Bryant; David & Jo Bosh's neighbor, Harrison; Jeff & Kathy Bishop's daughter, Ashley Kerr; The family of Carolyn Wyatt; Angie Butler; Becky Butler's brother, David Seiler; Shane Thurman; Baby S; Ed & Joyce Mick; Autumn Brock's mom, Marie; Jennifer Williams; Bill House; Leslie Phillips

Current Giving

	Rec'd month of Dec	Needed Monthly	Received YTD	Needed YTD
Pledged Offering	\$9,881	\$11,985	\$154,193	\$143,824
Non- Pledged	\$19,784	\$3,289	\$77,107	\$39,462

Blessing Box Attendant

This Week
Next Week

Assisting In Worship Today

Ministers	Every Member
Liturgist	•
Ushers	_
Audio	Terry Randall
Video	Richard Wright
Coffee Plus	Sue Guffey
Director of Music	Theresa Jean Kibby
Piano & Organ	Debby McDonald
Pastor	•

Deacons:

Linda Cook Rebecca Davis Sue Guffey

Don Haney Nancy Holland Marshall Judy Marci Randall

<u>Elders:</u>

Class of 2025

Charles Leveridge Sharon Mandt Jo Salmon Mark Dikeman

Perry Waller Laura Wright

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First Presbyterian Church

January 19th, 2025

The Second 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.