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This week at First Presbyterian....

Sunday, December 31

9:30 a.m. Wise Men's Breakfast - Kirk
10:30 a.m. Worship - Sanctuary

Monday, January 1 - Happy New Year!

Daycare / School Closed
Church Office Closed

Tuesday, January 2

9:00 a.m. Dayschool Chapel
10:00 a.m. Rhodes Respite Care - McDougald Rm
1:00 p.m. PW Council Meeting - Parlor
3:00 p.m. WOW Bible Study - Rm 212

Wednesday, January 3

9:15 a.m. Chair Yoga - Rm 216
10:00 a.m. Staff Meeting - Rm 212
12:00 p.m. Men's Bible Study - McDougald Rm
7:00 p.m. Rejoicers Bible Study - Mc Dougald Rm

Thursday, January 4

10:00 a.m. Rhodes Respite Care - FLC

Friday, January 5

12:00 p.m. Administration Meeting - Rm 212

Saturday, January 6

No scheduled events

Sunday, January 7

8:30 a.m. Worship - Sanctuary
9:30 a.m. Sunday School
10:30 a.m. Worship - Sanctuary
5:00 p.m. Youth Open Gym
5:30 p.m. Youth Dinner
6:00 p.m. Youth Fellowship

Monday, January 8

7:00 a.m. Pink Ladies @ Chick-fil-a
12:00 p.m. Circle 5 & 6 - McDougald Room
1:30 p.m. Susan Buckner Bible Study—FLC
5:55 p.m. Yoga - FLC
6:00 p.m. Session Meeting - McDougald Rm
6:30 p.m. Boy Scouts - Kirk

Tuesday, January 9

9:00 a.m. Dayschool Chapel
10:00 a.m. Rhodes Respite Care - McDougald Rm
3:00 p.m. WOW Bible Study - Rm 212
6:00 p.m. Circle 3 - Area Restaurant
7:00 p.m. Circle 2 - Member's Home

FLOWER CALENDAR

Our 2018 Flower Calendar is posted on the bulletin board across from the church office. We have many Sundays available for you to put flowers in honor or memory of loved ones. You choose the florist of your choice to order flowers from. Check the calendar and mark the date you would like or contact us in the church office to schedule the date for you. The flowers on the altar under the cross are a meaningful tribute for your loved ones.

**DARKNESS TO LIGHT:
Keeping Our Children Safe**

**Leadership Training:
Sunday, January 21st
3-5pm in the Kirk**

Here at FPC, we are committed to providing a safe place for all children, youth and vulnerable adults. One of the ways we do that is by educating our leaders/volunteers on how to prevent, recognize, and react responsibly to signs of abuse. This program is nationally recognized and VERY IMPORTANT! We are asking all of our volunteers who work with children and youth to plan on attending. The church will cover the cost. **Please contact Jennifer Stewart to register so we will have plenty of training booklets.**

*This training is for: Sunday School Teachers, Wednesday Night Live Teachers, Youth Advisors, VBS Directors, Elders, and Deacons.

First Sunday after Christmas

December 31, 2017

10:30am



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302 West Whitner Street
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FIRST SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS

DECEMBER 31, 2017

10:30 A.M.

WE PREPARE TO WORSHIP GOD

PRELUDE *The First Noel* Hammer

Bette Ann Braeutigam, piano

ANNOUNCEMENTS Neal Glenn, Elder

WE PRAISE GOD

CALL TO WORSHIP Isaiah 40:3, 5

A voice cries out: "In the wilderness prepare the way of the Lord,
Make straight in the desert a highway for our God.
The glory of the Lord shall be revealed,
And all people shall see it together.

◆ HYMN 134 *Joy to the World* ANTIOCH

◆ LITANY FOR THE CHURCH
Receive our prayers, O Lord our God.
Hear us, good Lord.

Govern and direct Your holy church; fill us with love and truth;
Grant us that unity which is Your will for us.

Encourage and equip Your servants to share the Gospel
And send out laborers into the harvest.

Give us hearts to love and reverence You,
That we may faithfully live according to Your Way.

Strengthen those who stand firm in the faith,
Renew the fainthearted,

Raise up those who fall,
And finally give us true victory in Jesus Christ. Amen.

◆ GLORIA PATRI 581 GREATOREX

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES
(Our young disciples, ages 5k and under, are dismissed for extended worship.)

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

NEW TESTAMENT READING *John 1:19-28* Pew Bible, p. 79

SERMON *"Knowing Who You Are Not"* Dr. Dennis Tedder

◆ HYMN 829 *My Faith Looks Up to Thee* OLIVET
(Verse 1)

◆ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *The Apostles' Creed* Hymnal p. 35

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY *Do You Hear What I Hear?* Hammer
Bette Ann Braeutigam, piano

◆ DOXOLOGY OLD HUNDREDTH, Hymnal, pg. 606

◆ PRAYER OF DEDICATION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

◆ HYMN 159 *O Sing A Song of Bethlehem* KINGSFOLD

◆ BENEDICTION

◆ POSTLUDE *Hark, the Herald Angels Sing* arr. Innes

As a courtesy to those worshipping with you today, please silence cell phones during our service. Please let our ushers know if you need directions to the nursery or to pick your child up from Extended Worship. A video broadcast of the service is available downstairs for those who may need to leave the sanctuary. The ushers can direct you to this room.

*Please check with an usher if you would like large print hymns. After worship, please keep your bulletin or place in the recycle baskets at each entrance.
THANK YOU!*

The sanctuary flowers are given to the Glory of God and for a Happy New Year from the Padgett family.

Welcome!

First Presbyterian Church welcomes all in the name of Jesus Christ today. We are delighted you have chosen to join us. Whether you are a longtime FPC disciple or a new friend, please sign the fellowship pad in the pew.
Please visit our website or call the church office for additional information about our faith family.

◆ When this symbol precedes an element of the service, please rise in body or spirit if you are able. Join in reading or singing those parts of the service printed in bold.