

First Presbyterian Church

Ninth at Washington, Michigan City, Indiana

January 09, 2022

10:00 A.M. (Sanctuary)



THE WORSHIP OF OUR LORD

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** Indicates those who are able, please stand*

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WE GATHER BEFORE GOD

† WELCOME – WORSHIP – CELEBRATE – SERVE †

PRELUDE “How Brightly Shines the Morningstar

Pethel/Markull

WELCOME

*CALL TO WORSHIP: **(Please quietly join in unison)**

One: Remembering God’s abundant welcome for us in creation

All: *Friend or stranger, enter and welcome.*

One: Let us worship God together

*HYMN #401 “Here in this Place” **(Please sing quietly)**

WE ARE RENEWED IN GOD’S GRACE

CALL TO CONFESSION **(Spoken by liturgist)**

The Spirit of Jesus comes into our midst with authority — with the vision and power to expose the sin in our lives and in our world. The Spirit of Jesus also assures us that forgiveness and restoration to new life is real and present to us. So, let us make our confession before God and one another.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION **Please quietly join in unison)**

Loving God, you created us to live in relationship with you, to love and serve one another, and to care for all your creatures. Yet, in the hardness of our hearts, we dismiss your commandments and seek to go our separate ways. Lord, have mercy on us. Redeem us, restore us, and re-create us, for the sake of Christ our Savior. Amen.

SILENT PRAYER OF CONFESSION

WORDS OF ASSURANCE: **(Please quietly join in unison)**

We have received, not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit that is from God. May we understand the grace and forgiveness bestowed upon us by God, that others may find the Kingdom within us and among us.

*SINGING GOD’S GLORY: Gloria Patri “Glory to the Father” #567 **(Please quietly join in unison)**

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen Amen Amen

*SHARING THE PEACE OF GOD **(Please quietly join in unison)**

Leader: Since God has forgiven us in Christ,

let us all forgive one another,

and pass the peace of Christ to each other.

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

People: And also with you!

CHILDREN’S SERMON

WE LISTEN FOR GOD’S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION **(Please quietly join in unison)**

Guide us, O God, by your Word, and Holy Spirit, that in your light we may see light, in your truth find freedom, and in your will discover peace; through Christ our Lord, Amen.

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON

Genesis 1-2:4a

SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON

Genesis 2:4b-25

SERMON: "Welcomed by God"

Rev. Ericka Kilbourne

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: **(Please quietly join in unison)**

The same Spirit who inspired the prophets and apostles rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture, engages us through the Word proclaimed, claims us in the waters of baptism, feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation, and calls women and men to all ministries of the church. In a broken and fearful world the Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing, to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior, to unmask idolatries in Church and culture, to hear the voices of peoples long silenced, and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace.

EXPRESSING OUR GRATITUDE IN OUR OFFERING

OFFERTORY: "Variations on 'Good King Wenceslas'"

S. Saxton

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First time visitors-we would love to connect with you.

Please text "welcome" to 219-300-9867 and share your contact information with us.

*Doxology Song #592

"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

OLD HUNDREDTH

CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer (debts and debtors)

*Prayer of Thanksgiving and Dedication

WE GO OUT IN GRATITUDE TO SERVE IN GOD'S NAME

* HYMN: #769 "For Everyone Born" **(Please sing quietly)**

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE: "How Great Our Joy"

R. Koury

SHARE OUR PRAYERS WITH:

- Robert Calligari, Rev. Doreen Sterba Dezur, Dave Dougherty, Louise Durlinger, Pat Graham, Sally Hooper, Thelma Stoakes, and Chris Weninger for health needs
- Darold Gieser, family and friends as they grieve the loss of Ruth Gieser.
- Pastor Ericka Kilbourne and her medical team as preparations are being made for her upcoming surgery.
- First Presbyterian Church, Michigan City.
- Pray for our Military and their families.
- The world as we continue to navigate the COVID-19 pandemic

GUESTS AND VISITORS

We are delighted to welcome you and worship with you today! **First time visitors**-we would love to connect with you. Please text "welcome" to 219-300-9867 and share your contact information with us.

The **CHANCEL FLOWERS** are given to the glory of God and in honor of her children, Marc & Regan from Penny Russell

SERVING TODAY

Ministers	All Members of the Congregation
Preacher	Reverend Dr. Ericka Parkinson Kilbourne
Organist	Carol Garrett
Liturgist	Brian Spiece
Youth Liturgist	Dylan Pace
Usher	Penny Russell
Video & Sound Crew	Rylie Thornton and Stan Holdcraft
Child Care during Worship	Linda Moore and Elisabeth Bohacek



ANNUAL Committee REPORTS



Attention Committee Chairs

It is that time of the year and your reports are needed for the annual report. Your report needs to be turned into Diane Yettaw **today, January 9th, 2022**, to allow time for the report to be updated, printed, and distributed to the members for review before the annual meeting on January 30th.

Thank You

MASKS

The Session, by recommendation of the COVID response team of the First Presbyterian Church of Michigan City has made the decision that **MASKS ARE REQUIRED AT ALL TIMES WHILE YOU ARE IN THE BUILDING, EVEN IF YOU ARE FULLY VACCINATED.**
FOR THE HEALTH AND SAFETY OF ALL PLEASE WEAR A MASK
AND CONTINUE TO OBSERVE DISTANCING

We would like for all to feel safe and comfortable when they worship with us. Thank You

HERE WE GO AGAIN.....

Just as many of us were becoming comfortable with hosting family get-togethers, returning to work or rejoining the gym, a new variant of the coronavirus is creating fresh uncertainty.

Not knowing what's in store with Omicron can take us back to other turbulent times during the pandemic, when confusion was a regular part of life.

Wear your mask, get your vaccine, and stay home if you're not feeling well. Let science not Facebook dictate your decisions.

Dina Gasaway, RN
Clinical Supervisor
Beacon Health System
Beacon Medical Group-LaPorte



January 01 Patty Mershon Schaefer
January 03 Mira McDaniel
January 04 Roberta Snyder
January 05 Norma Sipress
January 08 Mike Kilbourne
January 10 Katherine Brennan
January 16 Brett Parker
January 16 Rev Kevin Patterson
January 18 Emily Seibert

January 10 Bart Tyrrell
January 24 Kathy Angelo
January 26 David Hack
January 27 Barbara Reichert
January 27 Mary Ann Pals
January 29 Theodore Molden
January 31 Natalie Hellenga
January 31 Michael Smith
January 31 Michelle Smith

CHURCH CHAT

2022 PER CAPITA

Per Capita for 2022 is \$42.03 per person. Remember this should NOT be included in your check for regular offering because it goes into a dedicated fund. Thank you

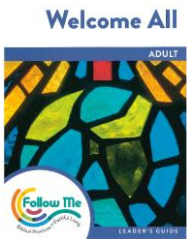
GIVING STATEMENT

Giving statement for 2021 will be sent out in January 2022.

Any questions, please contact the Diane Yettaw, Administrative Assistant in the church office

150 Year Celebration Trivia

You may have noticed that the white paraments which were put up on Christmas Eve have remained through Epiphany (sometime known as Twelfth Night) on January 6. This is when the Magi came and Christ was first made known to the Gentiles. And the white paraments are still up today (Jan.9) because the Baptism of the Lord by John the Baptist in the Jordan River officially marks the end of Christmas. Next Sunday the paraments will be green representing Ordinary Time.



We will start our third unit on January 9th --Welcome All. This unit will go through the end of January. Guides are in, Amy McDaniel has them. If you haven't already paid, you will need to do so to pick up your guide. You will be notified when it is time to order the next guide and you can use this link <https://forms.gle/HnAUDV7gcygxYEhU6> to place your order if you care to have one.

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(This can also be found on Facebook) or scan this bar code:



MEMORIALS/DONATIONS



The **GENERAL FUND** received a donation to the 150 Birthday Celebration campaign from Kathy Davis, on behalf of her parents, Mona & Milo Schultz.
Thank you for your kindness!

PLEASE READ



The Pastor will be having surgery on Friday, January 21. Kevin Patterson will be preaching on January 16 and 30, and Alice Yacullo will be preaching on January 23. During the week prior, she will be working from home (in order to quarantine after a Covid test) and will be available on the phone and regular electronic communications. She will be attending the zoom Deacon meeting in the 19th, and will be moderating the zoom session meeting that evening as well. Following the surgery, for 7-10 days, she will be less available. Contact information for Pastoral care will be communicated in next week's bulletin.

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Prayer Chain



For prayer requests
Contact Brian Spiece at
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Link to schedule appointment with Pastor Ericka:

<https://calendly.com/pastorericka/60min?month=2020-09>

YouTube - First Presbyterian Church Michigan City

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WiFi password: 1holyGod!

