First Presbyterian Church
January 13, 2019 • 10:30 a.m.

Embodying Christ’s inclusive love through heart, mind, and service
Prelude  Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us/He Leadeth Me  arr. Shackly
Welcome
Introit
Standing round the font reminds us of the Hebrews’ climb ashore.
Life is hallowed by the knowledge God has been this way before.
There is water in the river bringing life to tree and plant.
Let creation praise its Giver: there is water in the font. (*hymn 484)

*Call to Worship
God says, “Do not fear, for I have redeemed you;
I have called you by name; you are mine.”
Ascribe to God majesty, strength, and the honor due God’s name.
Let us worship almighty God!

*Hymn 12  Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

*Invitation to Confession

*Prayer of Confession
(silent confession)
Creator of the universe, we stand amazed at your power and glory. We are eager to worship you and offer our praise, but we are often reluctant to answer when we hear you calling our name. You assure us with the promise, “I am with you,” but we are hesitant to trust your presence. Forgive us, O God. Renew us with the power of your ever-present love, and strengthen us to proclaim your justice throughout our days; in Jesus’ name. Amen.

*Assurance of Forgiveness

*The Peace of Christ
Since God has forgiven us in Christ, let us forgive one another.
The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.
And also with you.
Let us share the peace of Christ with one another.
**Sung Response** *(sing twice)*

We are forgiven. We are forgiven. Thanks be to God. Thanks be to God.

**Time with the Children**

Children are invited to remain for the rest of the service or go to First Steps.

**Anthem**

*When You Pass Through the Waters*

Fear not, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine.

When you pass through the waters, I will be with you;

Through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you;

When you walk through fire, you shall not be burned;

And the flame shall not consume you.

For I am the Lord your God, the Holy One, your Savior.

**Scripture Reading**

Isaiah 43:1-7

**Sermon**

“I” Statements

*Hymn 488*  
*I Was There to Hear Your Borning Cry*

**Reaffirmation of the Baptismal Covenant**

**Sentences of Scripture**

**Profession of Faith**

Trusting in the gracious mercy of God, do you turn from the ways of sin and renounce evil and its power in the world?

*I do.*

Who is your Lord and Savior?

**Jesus Christ is my Lord and Savior.**

Will you be Christ’s faithful disciple, obeying his Word and showing his love?

*I will, with God’s help.*

With the whole church, let us confess our faith:

*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; 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 the life everlasting. Amen.*
Remember Your Baptism
You are invited to come forward and place your piece of paper in the designated bowl. Then proceed to the Font and touch the water, trace a cross on your forehead, and/or take a pebble if you like. Remember your baptism and be thankful.

Prayers of the People - with The Lord’s Prayer (ecumenical)
*Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.*

The Gathering of Our Gifts

Offertory

A Memory
Van Denman Thompson

*Doxology (hymn 606) and Prayer of Dedication

*Hymn 691

Lord, When I Came into This Life

*Charge and Blessing

*Sung Response

Irish Blessing (see inside back cover of hymnal)

Postlude

Rejoicing
Scarmolin

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Today’s flowers are given by Arlene Crawford to the glory of God and in memory of her husband Oakley.
Welcome to First Presbyterian Church (FPC)!
No matter who you are or where you are on life’s journey, you are welcome here.
We hope you feel the love that is present and our joy in having you with us.

◊ **Nursery care** is available in the Education building. Ask any of the ushers to direct you, if needed.
◊ **Hearing assistance** units and **large print** bulletins are available from the ushers.
◊ Audio recordings of **sermons** and more information on FPC are at fpcor.org. Please call the church office (483-1318) for audio recordings of the entire service.

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**WORSHIP NOTES**

On January 6 we celebrated Epiphany, the day that God incarnate in Jesus Christ was manifested to the Magi—the first revelation to the Gentiles. Today we focus on the Baptism of Jesus, and reflect on our own baptism. A season of Ordinary Time follows, which lasts until the beginning of Lent on Ash Wednesday. This year, there are eight Sundays in Ordinary Time, and the liturgical color is green.

Our symbol during the season of Epiphany, which runs until Ash Wednesday on March 6, is the Moravian star hanging in the narthex.

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**TODAY’S WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS**

**Liturgist:** Eric Myers  
**Acolyte:** Rebecca Davenport  
**Time with Children:** Peggy Terpstra  
**First Steps:** Martina Ward, Matt Stone  
**Sound Guild:** Sydney Murray  
**Ushers:** Anne Backus, Bill Bostick, Pat Clark, Kate Fulcher, Joe Gray, Matt Lindsey, Lewis Phillips, Tammy Pietrzak, Susan Sharp  
**Counters:** Anne Backus, Bill Bostick  
**Flowers:** Arlene Crawford  
**Fellowship Hosts:** Candice & Dennis Strickler  
**Open/Close:** Mike Hilliard, Dave Mullins

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**HUMAN RIGHTS RALLY JAN. 19**

There will be a Human Rights Rally in Oak Ridge this Saturday, Jan. 19 from 2:00 to 5:00 p.m. The date corresponds both with Martin Luther King Day and the 2nd Annual Women's March in Washington D.C. This is a community event highlighting inclusiveness, justice, and equality.

The rally will start at the Unitarian Church in the Sanctuary at 2:00 p.m. for a musical program and messages from local leaders and pastors, including Sharon. Weather permitting, at 3:30 p.m. we will walk on the grass and sidewalks to First Presbyterian Church for the conclusion of the program and hot chocolate.

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**FPC youth**

The FPC youth group (grades 4-12) and parents will gather tonight from 5:30 to 7:00 p.m. in the fellowship hall for a planning dinner while the youth work on a craft project.

Next Sunday will be game night for the youth. Bring friends!

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**LASAGNA LUNCH AND ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING**

Plan now to attend our traditional lasagna lunch and annual congregational meeting after worship, Sunday, Feb. 3. We’ll eat first, followed by our meeting where we will discuss our work and witness as the body of Christ in 2018.
### CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK
**Jan. 13-20, 2019**

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| Sun. 1/13 | **Baptism of the Lord**  
9:00 a.m. Sunday school classes (see next page)  
9:55 a.m. Choir rehearsal  
10:00 a.m. Fellowship time (fellowship hall)  
10:30 a.m. Worship  
5:30 p.m. FPC youth group (fellowship hall) |
| Mon. 1/14 | 11:30 a.m. Men’s lunch (The Soup Kitchen)  
12:30 p.m. Women’s lunch (The Soup Kitchen)  
6:00 p.m. Boy Scouts (fellowship hall)  
6:00 p.m. Social concerns (room 6) |
| Tues. 1/15 | 12:15 p.m. Centering prayer (sanctuary)  
5:30 p.m. Alcoholics Anonymous (library)  
6:30 p.m. Guitar workshop (room 102) |
| Wed. 1/16 | 10:00 a.m. Staff meeting (Sharon’s office)  
11:30 a.m. Al Anon (library)  
5:45 p.m. Midweek Bible study (parlor)  
6:30 p.m. Session meeting (room 6)  
7:00 p.m. Choir rehearsal (choir room) |
| Thurs. 1/17 | 7:30 p.m. Chinese Bible study (room 6) |
| Fri. 1/18 | 2:00 p.m. Human rights rally (see front page) |
| Sat. 1/19 | 9:00 a.m. **Second Sunday after Epiphany**  
9:55 a.m. Choir rehearsal  
10:00 a.m. Fellowship time (fellowship hall)  
10:30 a.m. Worship  
5:30 p.m. FPC youth group (fellowship hall) |
| Sun. 1/20 | Celebrations this week  
Birthdays...  
1/16 Kate Porter  
1/16 Maddie Stone  
1/19 Sue Byrne  
Remember those who are …  
in healthcare and retirement communities:  
Bob Clausing, Boyd Coker, Lois Lacy, Anna & Marvin Randolph, Alex Stuart  
homebound:  
Sandra Edwards  
Looking ahead  
Sat., Jan. 19—Human rights rally  
Mon., Jan. 21-Thurs., Jan. 24—Sharon at CREDO meeting  
Fri., Jan. 25—Youth movie night, 6:00-8:30 p.m., room 102  
Sat., Jan. 26—“Uncensored,” 9:00 a.m., room 102 kitchen  
Sun., Jan. 27—Scout Troop 42 fundraiser (see next page)  
Mon., Jan. 28—Coffee chat, 9:30 a.m., room 6  
Sun., Feb. 3—Lasagna lunch and annual meeting of the congregation  
Thurs., Feb. 7—Welcome Table, 5:00 p.m., fellowship hall |
Midweek Bible study
The midweek Bible study, led by Sharon, meets weekly on Wednesdays, from 5:45 to 6:30 p.m., in the parlor. We are looking at women of the Bible, especially those that are lesser known. The class is designed so that anyone can join the class at anytime. Childcare will be available.

Sunday school classes for all ages
Snacks and beverages provided

Nursery (through age 3), first floor, Education building

Kidz Zone (age 4 thru grade 4, Education building) Music, Godly Play, and learning basic Bible stories. December lead teachers: Pete Johnson, Martina Ward

Youth (grades 5-12, Education building) Discussions on Scripture and faith and how to apply them to issues that confront youth. Lead teacher: Peggy Terpstra

The Jugglers (adults, room 100, Activities building) Everyone is juggling something. How do you deepen your faith in the middle of it all? Facilitator: Sharon Youngs

Early Birds (adults, room 6, Sanctuary building) Prayer, conversation, and Bible study. Teachers: Anne Backus and Rosalyn McKeown-Ice

Rise ‘n’ Shine (adults, parlor, Sanctuary building) Prayer, conversation, and Bible study. Teachers: Cheryl Barr, Sue Byrne, Hannah Tippett
Please sign up on the 2019 flower calendar on the bulletin board in the fellowship hall to donate flowers ($35) for worship in memory or honor of a person or occasion.

WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS—JANUARY 20
Liturgist: Janet Swift
Acolyte: Amelia Everitt
Time with Children: Nanette King
First Steps: Teresa Brittain, Martina Ward
Sound Guild: Carolyn Krause
Ushers: Teresa Brittain, Mary Childress, Gail King, Phillip King, Anna Robinson, Dennis Strickler
Counters: Teresa Brittain, Gene Ice
Flowers: Nanette King
Fellowship Hosts: Daisy Campen, Margaret Ann King
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FOOD 4 KIDS
FPC is helping pack food bags tomorrow, Jan. 14, for Food for Kids. We will start around 1:30 p.m. in the multipurpose room at First United Methodist Church. Delivery of the bins will take place Tuesday, Jan. 15, at 8:30 a.m. If you have any questions, please call Gretchen Drane at (865) 566-1474.

KARM DONATIONS
Are you cleaning out the old as the new year begins? When you donate household items and clothing to the KARM thrift store on the east end of town, be sure to give them First Presbyterian Church’s name. They send us gift cards for a percentage of the value of your donations, which go to the Anderson County Early Head Start (EHS) daycare to help the families they serve. The daycare is housed in our Education building.

We recently received 12 $10 gift cards to share with EHS. In this way your donations have had a double impact. Thank you.

First Presbyterian Church—A PC(USA) Congregation
Sharon Youngs  Pastor  Bob Cantrell  Parish Associate for Pastoral Care
Anna Thomas  Director of Music  Peggy Hinkle  Organist
Omer Breeden  Custodian  Adrienne Potter  Office Manager

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Church Office Hours: 8:30 - 11:30 a.m.—12:30 - 4:00 p.m.