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WE ARE A NURTURING,
VIBRANT CONGREGATION,
REACHING OUT TO
THE COMMUNITY AND
STANDING AS A BEACON
OF CHRIST'S LOVE
AND PROMISE.



January 22, 2023
10:30 a.m.

Sharing the Life of the Church

AS WE GATHER BEFORE OUR LORD TODAY, WE EXTEND THE WARMEST OF WELCOMES TO ALL PRESENT. MAY YOU FIND ENCOURAGEMENT AND SPIRITUAL REFRESHMENT. MAY YOU LEAVE WITH YOUR BURDENS LIGHTENED OR REMOVED.

Coffee Hour - Join us at 10 a.m. in the Harris Room for light snacks and fellowship. Today's Coffee Hour is hosted by the **Mission Committee**.

***Coffee Hour Hosts Needed** - There is a signup chart in the hallway outside the Harris Room. If you can volunteer as a host, please add your name.*

The Gathering - Our Wednesday evening meals will be held in the **Harris Room** until further notice. Please use the front church entrance. The Bible/book study led by Amy Rogers is now in Room 204-A, in the lower level of the East wing.

Time for Year-end Reports - If you were a committee chair or board moderator in 2022, please prepare your year-end report, narrative and financial, so we may begin compiling an annual report packet for our **Congregational Meeting on March 19**. Please submit all reports to the church office in electronic format (Word, Publisher, Excel, or pdf) to: office@fpcburgwv.org no later than **February 13**. If you have questions, or need a copy of last year's report, please contact Judi in the office.

Congregational Meeting - Our annual meeting is scheduled for **Sunday, March 19**. On that day we will combine both worship services, meeting at **9:30 a.m.** in the Sanctuary, and our meeting will follow at 10:30. Please mark your calendars now for the change in schedule.

Per Capita Assessment for 2023 - The per capita amount for 2023 is \$30.30 per active member. If you can help us offset this expense, please mark your check "per capita" and place in one of the blue offering envelopes located outside the Sanctuary.

Choose-a-Hymn Sunday - Next **Sunday, January 29** (a 5th Sunday) we will sing hymns chosen by the congregation during both worship services. If you would like to suggest a favorite hymn, pick up a form at the table in the foyer and return it to the offering plate, or to the office **tomorrow**. Please include the hymn title, page number (if applicable) and your name.

Buffet Breakfast - The Deacons invite you to enjoy a special buffet breakfast, between worship services on **Sunday, February 12, at 9:00 a.m. in the Harris Room**. (There will be no Coffee Hour.)

Sympathy - Our sincere condolences are extended to the family and friends of Sarah Woods, a long-time member of First Presbyterian who once worked as church secretary. Sarah passed away on December 22, but there was no visitation with only a private graveside service.

STATS AT-A-GLANCE

	December	YTD
Income	\$20,562.02	\$220,431.54
Expenses	<u>\$23,955.85</u>	<u>\$265,260.91</u>
Diff. (+ /-)	(\$ 3,393.83)	(\$ 44,829.37)
Avg. Attendance:	Dec.	YTD
	8:30	11
	10:30	53
Facebook	5	Families

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 22, 2023

10:30 a.m.

GATHERING

Preparation for Worship

Sharing the Life of the Church

Minute for Ministry: Missions / MOV Fellowship Home

Brandy Blatt

Prelude

Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us

arr. Tom Fettke

*Call to Worship

The Lord is our light and our salvation!

Why should we be afraid?

The Lord is the stronghold of our life!

We will follow, unafraid, where God and Jesus lead us.

Let us worship our God of light and promise.

Let us sing and make music before our God.

*Prayer of the Day

Let us pray:

O God, our light and our salvation,

you meet us where we are

and call us to step forth in faith.

We come with song and music

to worship you and celebrate your love.

Open our eyes to your light,

that our souls may be flooded with mercy and joy.

Open our spirits to follow the path you put before us,

that we may lead lives committed to your Way;

through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

*Hymn 408

There's a Sweet, Sweet Spirit

SWEET, SWEET SPIRIT

Children's Time

*Those who are able, please stand.

Confession and Pardon

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

*God of light, we live in the darkness of despair:
worried about our lives, concerned for our health,
fearful that we are lost from you.
We have followed paths of greed and envy.
We have turned away from our brothers and sisters in need
in order to satisfy our own desires.
Forgive us, Lord.
Shine the light of your love upon us
and transform us with your love,
that your promised realm may draw near. Amen.*

SILENCE for personal confession ...

Words of Assurance and Pardon

Listen to the sound of the waters and remember that
in baptism you have been marked as a beloved child of God.
Almighty God hears our prayers, has mercy on us and forgives our sins.
In the love of Jesus Christ, you are loved forever.
Friends, believe the good news of the Gospel:
In Jesus Christ we are forgiven! Thanks be to God. Amen.

*Response

Hymn 581

Glory Be to the Father

Glory to God
GLORIA PATRI

***Ritual of Friendship**

May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.
And also with you.
Exchange words of peace and greetings with those around you.

GROWING

Special Music

My Tribute

Andraé Crouch

Prayer for Illumination

Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit,
that as the Scriptures are read and your Word is proclaimed,
we may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen.

*Those who are able, please stand.

Ordination and Installation of Church Officers

The Presentation

There is a variety of gifts,
but it is the same Spirit who gives them.

***There are different ways of serving God,
but it is the same Lord who is served.***

God works through each person in a unique way,
but it is God's purpose that is accomplished.

***To each is given a gift of the Spirit
to be used for the common good.***

Together we are the body of Christ, and individually members of it.

Reaffirmation of the Baptismal Covenant

Constitutional Questions

Questions for the Congregation

Do we, the members of the church, accept these as deacons and elders,
chosen by God through the voice of this congregation
to lead us in the way of Jesus Christ?

We do.

Do we agree to encourage them, to respect their decisions,
and to follow as they guide us, serving Jesus Christ
who alone is Head of the Church?

We do.

Prayer of Installation

The Lord's Prayer

***Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.***

Give us this day our daily bread;

and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors;

and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Declaration of Ordination and Installation

GOING

***Hymn 625**

How Great Thou Art

HOW GREAT THOU ART

***Benediction and Sending Forth**

The Postlude

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

Runyon/Berry

*Those who are able, please stand.

PARTICIPANTS IN WORSHIP

Beadles - *Connor Buchanan, Audrey Hickman*

Liturgist - *Melanie Thompson*

Sound Technician - *Matt Buchanan*

Guest Musician - *Kim Vineyard*

Scripture Readings for next week: January 29

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Micah 6:1-8

Psalm 15

1 Corinthians 1:18-31

Matthew 5:1-12

Prayer List – Please remember the following in your prayers:

Gary Norum

Joe Fragale

John B. White

Alex Morgado

Judy Stephens

Katy Stephens

Bernice Lemley

Ruth Ann Huddle

Marianne Mason

Doug Anderson

Fleming Family

Melanie Thompson

Wayne & Carol Sanders

Becky Holdren & family

Roy Clark & Family

Charlotte Johnson

Megan Dougherty

Homebound Members

Troops – World Peace

Dave Bell

Vince Eades

Jean Singer

Bill Cutlip

Brad Carter

Barb Easter

Mary Slater

Doris Dunn

Mysti Ruble

Bill Niday

THIS WEEK AT FPC

Today, January 22

- 8:30 a.m. Service of Morning Prayer - Chapel
- 10:00 a.m. Coffee Hour - Harris Room
10:15 a.m. - Coffee with the Pastor
- 10:30 a.m. Service for the Lord's Day - Sanctuary
Ordination/Installation of Officers

Monday, January 23

- 7:00 p.m. Parkersburg Pride meeting - Room 204

Wednesday, January 25

- 5:30 p.m. The Gathering - Harris Room
- 6:30 p.m. Seamless Bible/Book Study - Room 124

Thursday, January 26

- 7:15 p.m. Troop 3 Boy Scouts - Scout House

Saturday, January 28

- 9:00 a.m. Joint meeting of boards - Harris Room
- 12:00 p.m. HA Meeting - Room 123

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