

A Warm Welcome to our Guests and Visitors!

Our church has a wonderful array of ministries that seek to spread the gospel into the world. If you are interested in finding out more about the church community or are interested in becoming a member, please contact us at:

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Calendar for this week:

Sunday, January 10

10:30 am Worship

Preaching.....	Rev. Kenneth Bowman
Usher & Greeter.....	Jeri Melsa & Doris Davis
Organist.....	George French
Music Director.....	Sandy Perkins
Coffee Fellowship.....	n/a
Reader.....	Sandy Perkins

Wednesday, January 13

6 pm Bell Practice

Next Sunday, January 17

10:30 am Worship

Preaching.....	Trey Everett
Usher & Greeter.....	Jon & Merrie Nelson
Organist.....	George French
Music Director.....	Sandy Perkins
Coffee Fellowship.....	n/a
Reader.....	Jason Brantner

First Presbyterian Church

Baptism of the Lord

January 10, 2021

*Those who are able may stand

PRELUDE MUSIC
WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS
SONG OF CONTEMPLATION



***CALL TO WORSHIP (Responsive)**

In the beginning God created the world, and God blessed it:

"It is good"

In the beginning God created light, and God blessed it:

"It is good"

In the beginning God created life, and God blessed it:

"It is good"

Since the beginning, God has not stopped creating,

Calling us closer to all that is good.

***GATHERING HYMN #630** *"Fairest Lord Jesus"*
(vs. 1 & 4)

CONFESSION and FORGIVENESS: (unison)

God whose spirit moved over the waters, you have washed us in your mercy, claimed us as your own, bound us in community, and called us to lives of baptismal grace. Forgive us O God, for we have not lived as if we were baptized people. We stumble over opportunities for forgiveness. We prioritize our own selfish interests. We are slow to disrupt the status quo, even when it means ignoring our neighbors' suffering. Forgive us, O God, and by your forgiveness, lead us back to your waters of transformation.

SILENT CONFESSION

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS (Responsive)

How vast is God’s grace! Through the power and promise of Christ Jesus, our sins are washed away, and we are claimed as God’s own beloved. Indeed, we are forgiven. In the wake of God’s forgiveness, we are called to be the beloved community living out Christ’s justice and the Spirit’s reconciling peace.

Thanks be to God. Amen!

***RESPONSE HYMN #701 “Lord, Prepare Me”**

***PRAYER OF THE DAY (unison)**

Holy God, creator of light and giver of goodness, your voice moves over the waters. Immerse us in your grace, and transform us by your Spirit, that we may follow after your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

SCRIPTURE

FIRST READING..... Genesis 1:1-5

SECOND READING..... Acts 19:1-7

Leader: The Word of the Lord. People: Thanks be to God!

GOSPEL READING..... Mark 1:4-11

Leader: The Word of the Lord. People: Praise to you, O Christ!

SERMON

Kenneth Bowman

SILENCE FOR REFLECTION

***HYMN OF THE DAY #482 “Baptized in Water”**
(vs. 1 & 3)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Leader: Lord in your mercy **People: Hear Our Prayer.**

THE LORD’S PRAYER (*forgive us our “sins”*)

***BLESSING AND CHARGE (Responsive)**

The loving kindness of the Lord our God, the grace of Jesus Christ our Savior, and the renewing power of the Holy Spirit by with you all. **Alleluia!**

***CLOSING HYMN #192 “Shine, Jesus, Shine”**
(vs. 1 & 3)

***DISMISSAL (Responsive)**

Go in Peace to love and serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God! Amen.**

***POSTLUDE**



YEAR-END GIVING STATEMENTS

Due to COVID guidelines and just an extra step in safety for everyone, your Year-End Giving Statements have been mailed directly to you this year.

Please continue to be in prayer for:

- Stan & Betty Johnson
- Debby Novotny (Lynne's sister)
- Karen Mullins (Lynne’s sister-in-law)
- Nancy Amiot (the Finkenbinder’s niece)
- Brent Blake and the Blake families
- JoAnn Westburg



FAIREST LORD JESUS

Fairest Lord Jesus, Ruler of all nature,
O thou of God to earth come down,
Thee will I cherish, thee will I honor,
Thou, my soul's glory, joy, and crown

Beautiful Savior, Ruler of the nations,
Son of God and Son of Man!
Glory and honor, praise, adoration,
Now and forevermore be thine!

LORD, PREPARE ME

Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary,
Pure and holy, tried and true.
With thanksgiving, I'll be a living sanctuary for you.

BAPTIZED IN WATER

Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit,
cleansed by the blood of Christ our King;
heirs of salvation, trusting the promise,
faithfully now God's praises we sing.

Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit,
marked with the sign of Christ our King;
born of the Spirit, we are God's children;
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In the midst of the darkness, shining;
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Set us free by the truth you now bring us.
Shine on me; shine on me.

Shine, Jesus, shine;
fill this land with the Father's glory.
Blaze, Spirit, blaze; set our hearts on fire.
Flow, river, flow;
flood the nations with grace and mercy.
Send forth your word,
Lord, and let there be light.

As we gaze on your kingly brightness,
So our faces display your likeness;
Ever changing from glory to glory,
mirrored here may our lives tell your story.
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