

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 31

10:30 am Worship

Speaking..... Marsha Odom
Usher & Greeter..... Gordy & Monica Terpstra
Organist..... George French
Music Director..... Sandy Perkins
Coffee Fellowship..... n/a
Reader..... Lynne Mullins



Remember to bring your \$1's for the Souper Bowl of Caring Collection next week

Wednesday, February 3

6 pm Bell Practice

Next Sunday, February 7 – Souper Bowl of Caring Sunday

10:30 am Worship

Preaching..... Trey Everett
Usher & Greeter..... Wally Hoselton & Dale Charais
Organist..... George French
Music Director..... Sandy Perkins
Coffee Fellowship..... n/a
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First Presbyterian Church

4th Sunday after Epiphany

January 31, 2021

*Those who are able may stand

PRELUDE MUSIC

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

MINUTE FOR MISSIONS

Kerri B.



SONG OF CONTEMPLATION Hymn #769....."For Everyone Born"
(vs. 1)

***CALL TO WORSHIP (Responsive)**

Give thanks to the Lord with your whole heart

In the company of the congregation

The Lord is gracious and merciful, ever mindful of the covenant.

The works of God's hands are faithful and just, established forever and ever.

Holy and awesome is God's name!

God's praise endures forever.

***GATHERING HYMN #769** "For Everyone Born"
(vs. 2 & 3)

PRAYER OF CONFESSION: (Unison)

(from a Brief Statement of Faith)

In sovereign love God created the world good and makes everyone equally in God's image, male and female, of every race and people, to live as one community. But we rebel against God; we hide from our Creator, ignoring God's commandments, we violate the image of God in others and ourselves. Yet God acts with justice and mercy to redeem creation.

SILENT CONFESSION

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS (Responsive)

Love is with us, always, for God is love. That love has no boundaries or borders, no limits. God’s love is within you, now. You are forgiven, because you are beloved of God, so much so that Jesus came and showed us the way, the truth, and the life. Go into the world with the grace of God, and share God’s love. Amen.

Thanks be to God. Amen!

***RESPONSE HYMN #769 “For Everyone Born”**
(vs. 4 & 5)

***PRAYER OF THE DAY: (Responsive)**

Compassionate God, you gather the whole universe into your radiant presence and continually reveal your Son as our Savior. Bring wholeness to all that is broken and speak truth to us in our confusion, that all creation will see and know your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

***PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION: (Responsive)**

God of shining splendor, your voice makes the earth tremble in wonder. Overshadow us with your Spirit so that we may hear your Word and live as faithful disciples and covenant people; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

SCRIPTURE

FIRST READING..... Psalm 111

SECOND READING.....1 Corinthians 8:1-13

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

GOSPEL READING..... Mark 1:21-28

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

MEDITATION

Marsha Odom

SILENCE FOR REFLECTION

***HYMN OF THE DAY #749..... “Come! Live in the Light!”**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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

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

***BLESSING AND BENEDICTION (Responsive)**

As Jesus called the first disciples, so he calls to us this day: “Follow Me”. **Amen.**

***CLOSING HYMN #726 “Will You Come and Follow Me”**
(vs. 1 & 5)

***DISMISSAL (Responsive)**

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

***POSTLUDE**



SUPER BOWL SUNDAY IS RIGHT AROUND THE CORNER - SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 7th!

Don’t forget to bring your \$’s for the Souper Bowl of Caring collection on Sunday, February 7th!

Please continue to be in prayer for:

- Betty Johnson
- Hank Koza
- 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



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in 1991**

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Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit,
we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel,
whom alone we worship and serve.

Section One

We trust in Jesus Christ,
fully human, fully God.
Jesus proclaimed the reign of God:
Preaching good news to the poor
and release to the captives,
teaching by word and deed
and blessing the children,
healing the sick
and binding up the brokenhearted,
eating with outcasts,
forgiving sinners,
and calling all to repent and believe the gospel, ...

Conclusion

In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit,
we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks
and to live holy and joyful lives,
even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth,
praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!"

With believers in every time and place,
we rejoice that nothing in life or in death
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Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. Amen.

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FOR EVERYONE BORN

vs. 1 For everyone born, a place at the table,
For everyone born, clean water and bread,
A shelter, a space, a safe place for growing,
For everyone born, a star overhead,

(refrain)

And God will delight when we are creators
of justice and joy,
compassion and peace:
Yes, God will delight when we are creators of justice,
Justice and joy!

vs. 2 For woman and man, a place at the table,
Revising the roles, deciding the share,
With wisdom and grace, dividing the power,
For woman and man, a system that's fair,

(refrain)

vs. 3 For young and for old, a place at the table,
A voice to be heard, a part in the song,
The hands of a child in hands that are wrinkled,
For young and for old, the right to belong,

(refrain)

vs. 4 For just and unjust, a place at the table,
Abuser, abused, with need to forgive,
In anger, in hurt, a mindset of mercy,
For just and unjust, a new way to live,

(refrain)

vs. 5 For everyone born, a place at the table,
To live without fear, and simply to be,
To work, to speak out, to witness and worship,
For everyone born, the right to be free,

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COME! LIVE IN THE LIGHT!

Come! Live in the light!
Shine with the joy and the love of the Lord!
We are called to be light for the kingdom,
To live in the freedom of the city of God.

(refrain)

We are called to act with justice;
We are called to love tenderly;
We are called to serve one another,
To walk humbly with God.

Come! Open your heart!
Show your mercy to all those in fear!
We are called to be hope for the hopeless
So hatred and violence will be no more.

(refrain)

Sing! Sing a new song!
Sing of that great day when all will be one!
God will reign, and we'll walk with each other
as sisters and brothers united in love.

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WILL YOU COME AND FOLLOW ME

“Will you come and follow me if I but call your name?
Will you go where you don't know and never be the same?
Will you let my love be shown; will you let my name be known;
Will you let my life be grown in you and you in me?”

Lord, your summons echoes true when you but call my name.
Let me turn and follow you and never be the same.
In your company I'll go where your love and footsteps show.
Thus I'll move and live and grow in you and you in me.

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