

## GATHERING FELLOWSHIP

**Welcome! Greet one another in the joy of the Lord! Children's worship bags are in the narthex. Audio amplifiers and large print bulletins are available from the ushers upon request.**

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### PRELUDE

### WELCOME AND INVITATION TO WORSHIP

#### CALL TO WORSHIP – from *Psalms* 96

Sing a new song to the Lord!

**Everyone on this earth, sing praises to the Lord,  
sing and praise his name.**

Day after day announce,

**the Lord has saved us!**

Tell every nation on earth,

**the Lord is wonderful and does marvelous things!**

The Lord is great and deserves our greatest praise!

**He is the only God worthy of our worship.**

Give honor and praise to the Lord,

whose power and beauty fill his holy temple.

Tell everyone of every nation,

**Praise the glorious power of the Lord.**

Announce to the nations,

**The Lord is King!**

**The world stands firm, never to be shaken.**

### LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE – RESOLVE

#### † HYMN 132 – *Good Christian Friends, Rejoice*

### PRAYER OF ADORATION

#### † HYMN 119 – *Hark! The Herald Angels Sing*

#### † SHARING THE JOY AND PEACE OF CHRIST

### OFFERING OF OUR LIVES, TITHES AND TALENTS

*Stories of Christ at Work in our Lives*

#### SCRIPTURE – *Isaiah 52:7-8, 10*

Pew Bible page 613

### 11:00 TIME WITH THE YOUNG CHURCH

*(After the message, children under five may go to the nursery.)*

### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

#### † HYMN 113 – *Angels We Have Heard on High*

#### SCRIPTURE – *John 1:9-14, 16*

Pew Bible page 886

#### SERMON – *The Voice of Christmas Calling: Resolve*

Tim Havlicek

#### † A RESOLUTION OF FAITH – *Ephesians 1:3-14* (NLT)

All praise to God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,

**who has blessed us with every spiritual blessing in the  
heavenly realms because we are united with Christ.**

Even before he made the world, God loved us and chose us in Christ to be holy and without fault in his eyes.

**God decided in advance to adopt us into his own family by  
bringing us to himself through Jesus Christ.**

This is what he wanted to do, and it gave him great pleasure.

**So we praise God for the glorious grace he has poured out  
on us who belong to his dear Son.**

He is so rich in kindness and grace that he purchased our freedom with the blood of his Son and forgave our sins.

**He has showered his kindness on us, along with all wisdom  
and understanding.**

#### † HYMN 104 – *O Lord, How Shall I Meet You*

### † BENEDICTION

### † POSTLUDE

† *Those who are able are invited to stand.*

**WORSHIP LEADER:** 11:00 Sharyon Troutman

***Guests and members, please stay after the service  
to enjoy coffee and fellowship in the Parlor.***



***If you ordered a poinsettia in honor or memory  
of someone before Christmas, please remember to take  
it with you following the worship service today.***

### **SESSION**

Steve Anthony, Clerk of Session

#### **CLASS OF 2018**

Steve Anthony  
Alyce Kelly  
Jerri Oehler  
Tommy Simpson  
Drew Taylor

#### **CLASS OF 2019**

Brian Boyette  
Bill Gilbert  
Linda Langheld  
Candi Stewart  
Jim Storholt

#### **CLASS OF 2020**

MaryLena Anderegg  
Heather Boston  
Beth Fickling  
Schuyler Giles  
Sally Walczak

### **DIACONATE**

Sue Havlicek, Moderator

#### **CLASS OF 2018**

Patrick Faulkner  
Susan Hamrick  
Stephanie McIntyre

#### **CLASS OF 2019**

Sue Havlicek  
Idonna Stang  
Kathe Storholt

#### **CLASS OF 2020**

Pam Anthony  
Matt Lara  
Sharon Pietrzak

### **WORSHIP STAFF**

#### **Members of Congregation**

Tim Havlicek  
Matt Henderson  
Sunnie Gail Ballou  
Susan G. Bailey  
Rochelle Campbell

#### **Ministers**

Senior Pastor  
Associate Pastor  
Music Director  
Choral Director  
*The Bridge* Worship Leader

#### **Susie Boartfield**

Tara Copeland  
Brooke Capps  
Paula Stewart

#### **Administrative Manager**

Dir. Children's Ministry  
Sexton  
Program Coordinator

### **PROGRAM STAFF**

### **TIME & TALENTS**

OPENING THE CHURCH	Jim Storholt
USHERS – 11AM	Boyette family, Richard Evans, Candi Stewart
SOUND & LIGHT - 11AM	Phil Miller
HOSPITAL VISITATION	Patrick Faulkner
NURSERY WORKERS	Susan Hopkins & Rosemary Markham
PARLOR	Faye Bennett
FEED THE FLOCK	Leigh Crown

# **First Presbyterian Church**

## ***The Voice of Christmas Calling: Resolve***



## ***1st Sunday after Christmas***

### **December 31, 2017**

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