

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

11:00 a.m. January 5th, 2020

SILENT PRAYER OF PREPARATION

Everlasting God, the radiance of faithful souls, who brought the nations to your light and kings to the brightness of your rising: Fill the world with your glory, and show yourself to all the nations; through him who is the true light and the bright morning star, Jesus Christ your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTROIT

LITANY FOR EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

LEADER: Arise, shine; for your light has come! The glory of the Lord has risen upon you. Nations will come to his light, and rulers will seek his radiance.

PEOPLE: Jesus Christ is the light of the world.

LEADER: He will judge the people with righteousness and defend the cause of the poor. The mystery of the ages is revealed; the eternal plan of God is known to all.

PEOPLE: Jesus Christ is the light of the world.

LEADER: Let us kneel down before him to give him honor, glory, and praise. Let us offer him all the treasures of our hearts and our lives.

PEOPLE: Jesus Christ is the light of the world.

LEADER: God of endless light, you sent a star—rising from darkness, guiding seekers and sages, overwhelming us with joy. Let the splendor of your dawning light grow in us and in all the world until the whole creation shines with your glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

*HYMN OF PRAISE “The First Noel” No. 136

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of glory, you sent Jesus among us as the light of the world, to reveal your love for all people. We confess that our sin and pride hide the brightness of your light. We turn away from the poor; we ignore cries for justice; we do not strive for peace. In your mercy, cleanse us of our sin, and pour out the gifts of your Spirit, that, forgiven and renewed, we may show forth your glory shining in the face of Jesus Christ.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*HYMN OF ASSURANCE “Joy to the World” No. 125 (vs. 3 & 4)

PASSING THE PEACE

May the Peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you.**

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD PROCLAIMED

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

ANTHEM

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING Psalm 72:1–7, 10–14 (pg. 464)

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING Matt. 2:1–12 (pg. 783)

SERMON The Rev. Natasha Sudderth

*HYMN “We Three Kings” No. 166

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND 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.

OFFERTORY

*DOXOLOGY AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION No. 626
Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below; praise God above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

CHALKING OF THE DOORS

*CLOSING HYMN

“O Holy Night!”

No. 148

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

Shalom to you now, shalom, my friends.
May God's full mercies bless you, my friends.
In all your living and through your loving.
Christ be your shalom. Christ be your shalom.

*POSTLUDE

***Those who are able, please stand.**

We warmly greet all who have come to worship God. Your presence will enhance our worship experience and our fellowship together. Sincere thanks to each of you for your participation in the service. Glory be to God!

Children's Church (CC): All children join their families in the 11:00 a.m. worship service. After Children's Time, children 1st grade and below will go out for children's bible activities. **Nursery** is provided for infants and toddlers. **Hearing Assistance Devices** are available. If you would like to use one of these aids, please check in at the sound booth. **Leading Worship:** The Rev. Natasha Sudderth-Davis, Pastor; Efren Torres, Liturgist; Rayma Ball, Director of Music; Leah Metzger, Accompanist; Warren Gregory, Efren Torres, Cheryl Gregory, Babbs Radcliff, Penny Larche, and Andy Larche, Ushers; Bob Bell, Elder of the Week.



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ANNOUNCEMENTS



January 5 – Brian Wilson
January 6 – Jalen Albritton



January 5 – Steve & Cindy Brown

This week's events:

Sunday, Jan. 5 th	9:30 am	Fellowship
	9:45 am	Assembly
	10:00 am	Small Groups
	11:00 am	Worship
Monday, Jan. 6 th	6:30 pm	Session meeting
Tuesday, Jan 7 th	10:00 am	Bible Study
Wednesday, Jan 8 th	5:45 pm	Fellowship Supper
	7:00 pm	Choir Practice
Next Sunday, Jan 12 th	9:30 am	Fellowship
	9:45 am	Assembly
	10:00 am	Small Groups
	11:00 am	Worship

Join us at Wednesday night Fellowship supper

January 8, 2020 for a special supper honoring our Session members/graduating class of 2019. Thank you to Sandra Allen, Chuck Eckel, Babbs Radcliff, Juanita Ratliff, and Bob Helberg.

Reservations are not necessary, and dress is casual. Meal costs are: 6th grade - adult, \$3.50, and children \$2.00. The maximum charge for a family with children is \$10.00. **Warren & Jeanne Hilgendorf's team** will cook, set-up and clean-up.



The flowers this morning are given to the Glory of God by Warren & Cheryl Gregory. "With God's blessings in 2020".

Help is needed

Help is needed with taking down the Christmas decorations in the church sanctuary. If you are able to help, please meet in the sanctuary on Wednesday, January 8th at 4:30 pm. Contact Juanita Ratliff for more information.



There are **sign-up sheets available** for ministry opportunities and other special information. Please visit the information table in the Narthex.

THE BREADBASKET OFFERING enables our church to assist those in our community who are in need. Gifts to this offering provides help with medication, utility bills, food and other necessities. We have had many requests, so please consider making a donation and placing it in the Breadbasket envelope in the pew rack. Thanks be to God for your gracious donations!

THROUGH THE PRAYER CHAIN, members of First Presbyterian are given the opportunity to turn to God in supplication for others. You may start a prayer request by contacting Margaret Poppell at perryfpcprayers@yahoo.com, 843-8689.



Elder of the Week:

- January 5 – Bob Bell (850)556-4566
- January 12 – Steve Brown (850)843-0256
- January 19 – Marilyn Culpepper (850)843-5590
- January 26 – Janice Musgrove (850)843-2642

Contact your **Elder of the week** for personal or family concerns. Contact the appropriate **committee** for congregational concerns.

Session Retreat will be Friday night, January 17th, Saturday morning, January 18th, and will be completed at lunch after church on January 19th.



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Online giving is available through the church website. If you have any questions, contact Ellie in the church office. Look for this icon on the website.

Click on the Giving button to make an online payment:



Courage and Fellowship Through Cancer

Meeting: January 12th @ 2:00pm

Location: DMH

See Dianna Sandonato for more info.