

**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**  
**310 Plantation Road Perry, FL 32348**  
**2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Epiphany**  
**11:00 am January 14, 2024**

**A SERVICE OF ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION RULING ELDERS**

WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

PRELUDE

PRAYER (TO BE PRAYED SILENTLY UPON ENTERING THE SANCTUARY)

**From Ephesians 4:2- 4: Father, please help us to walk in a manner worthy of You and Your call to us. Give us a spirit of humility, gentleness and patience that we may show tolerance for one another in love. Help us to be diligent to preserve the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. Amen.**

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PASSING OF FRIENDSHIP PADS

INTROIT *"When Hands Reach Out And Fingers Trace"*

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Come to us even now O Lord of Life,

**People: And fill this place with your presence!**

Leader: We praise your name and rejoice in your love,

**People: We stand in utter amazement of who you are!**

Leader: Everyone who calls upon you will find fulfillment,

**People: They will rejoice forever, because you are God!**

Leader: Rejoice and give thanks!

\*HYMN *"Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"* No. 1  
(Red Hymnal)

PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Minister: Lord Jesus, you were sent to heal the contrite heart:  
Lord, have mercy.

**All: Lord, have mercy.**

Minister: Lord Jesus, you came to call sinners: Christ, have mercy.

**All: Christ, have mercy.**

Minister: Lord Jesus, you are seated at the right hand of the Father to intercede for us: Lord, have mercy.

**All: Lord, have mercy.**

Minister: May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life..

**All: Amen.**

\*GLORIA PATRI No. 623(Red Hymnal)

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD PROCLAIMED

ANTHEM *"I, The Lord of Sea and Sky"*

SCRIPTURE Psalm 139:1-6, 23-24

\*HYMN *"More About Jesus"* No. 389  
(Red Hymnal)

SCRIPTURE Acts 6:1-7

Minister: The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

SERMON Dr. Don McGarity

*"Choosing Spiritual Leaders"*

\*THE APOSTLES' CREED

**I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

ORDINATION/INSTALLATION RULING ELDERS:

Jim Culbreath, Michael McMillian, Zachary Wiggins

OFFERING

OFFERTORY *"This Is My Father's World"* D. Wood

\*DOXOLOGY No. 624 (Red Hymnal)

\*HYMN *"Trust and Obey"* No. 349 (Red Hymnal)

\*BENEDICTION

Minister: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Minister: May Almighty God bless you the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.

**People: Amen.**

Minister: Go in peace.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

\*HYMN

*"Threefold Amen"* No. 628 (Red Hymnal)  
**Amen. Amen. Amen.**

\*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!

**Leading Worship:** Dr. Don McGarity, Minister; Sandi Hilgendorf, Liturgist; Leah Metzger, Accompanist & Director; Dr. Mark Coffey, Guest Organist

### **Session Committee leaders**

Administration-Joey Ratliff, Martha Davis, Chuck Eckel

Christian Education-Martha Davis

Clerk-Cindy Brown

Congregation Care-Nancy Bell

Fellowship-Sandi Hilgendorf

Finance-Chuck Eckel

Mission/Outreach-Marne Helberg, Rachel Poppell

Worship/Music-Marilyn Culpepper

Pastor Nominating Committee members: Emaley Gentry, Jamie Poppell, Juanita Ratliff, Randy Speas, and Shona Whiddon



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## **Notes & Announcements**

- Mission Outreach committee meeting Monday, January 15<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 pm
- Church office closed Monday, January 15<sup>th</sup>
- Session meeting Tuesday, January 16<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm
- **Ushers** for January 21<sup>st</sup>: Bobby Harper, Jim Culbreath, Martha Davis, Mike Perrine, Nancy Bell
- **Liturgist** for January 21<sup>st</sup>: Susan Lincoln
- FPC website [www.firstpresperry.org](http://www.firstpresperry.org)

### ***Prayers Of and For The People First Presbyterian Church***

*Teachers*

*Our local community*

*Cancer fighters*

*JoAnne Knowles*

*Helbergs*

*Sandra Ward*

*James, Lori Smalls brother*

*Carusoes*

*Homebound members*

*Travelers*

*PNC*

*Poppells*

*Carrie*

*Judy Neal*

*Bonnie McGarity*

*Israel*

*Unspoken*

*Come Lord Jesus, Amen*