

Morning Worship—January 14, 2018

2nd Sunday after Epiphany

*Please sign the Fellowship Pad and pass it to your neighbor. *Please stand if able. It is our custom to sing, "Amen," after hymns.*

PRELUDE "Prelude in d minor" by J. S. Bach

RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: In the silence of a lonely night, in the songs children sing in the morning, God calls to us.

People: We are here, God who is always with us, listening for your words of life and love.

Leader: When we would decide to go it alone, when we think no good can be found anywhere, Jesus calls to us.

People: We are here, Friend who knows our longings, ready to come and see where you would lead us.

Leader: When we think we have license to do whatever we want, when we are convinced we need no map, the Spirit calls to us.

People: We are here, Peace we are longing for, so that we might help others find the way to life.

***HYMN OF WORSHIP 361** "How Firm a Foundation"

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Because we are so focused on ourselves, God of every life, it is hard to see the lives which others endure. When we are so worried about how the economy will affect us, we do not notice those in need around us. As we grumble about our aches and pains, and about how difficult it is to get out of the bed each day, we easily ignore the broken. Forgive us, God of goodness and grace. Speak to us of healing, so we might bring help to others. Speak to us of grace, so hearing, we may share it with every one we meet. Speak to us of love and life, so we may offer it as freely as Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior, brought it to us.

SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Come and see! God's grace is poured out on everyone, God's hope is freely shared in every moment, forgiveness is the gift which mends our foolish lives.

People: Thanks be to God. We are surrounded by God's love and mercy, now and to the very end! Amen.

GLORIA PATRI (579) GREATOREX, 1851

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

DEDICATION OF OFFERINGS

Offering in Music "I'll Fly Away" arr. Mark Hayes

Doxology 591 OLD HUNDREDTH

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him all creatures here below;

Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Prayer of Dedication

TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

Tom Barrett

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PASTORAL PRAYER & 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.

ANTHEM "Christ Be In My Waking" arr. Larry Shackley

UNISON PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

We are foolish enough to think you do not know our hearts, hear our words, see the mistakes we make, and the pain we cause. But because you are not only holy and know, you are gracious and forgive. Hear us now, as we offer our lives and hearts to you. Amen.

LESSON (108/112) Numbers 17

SERMON "From Grace to Growth" Rev. Allen Thompson

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** (Hymnal Pg. 14)

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.

***HYMN OF WORSHIP 383** "My Faith Looks Up to Thee"

BENEDICTION

BENEDICTION RESPONSE "The Lord Bless You and Keep You" by P. Lutkin

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

POSTLUDE "Verset de Procession sur l'Adoro Te" by Leon Boellmann

The flowers today are given to the glory of God, and in loving memory of Ronnell D. Belton by his family.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

We provide **nursery care** from 9:30 AM to 12:30 PM and **Sunday School** for grades K-5 after Time for Young Disciples.

PASTORAL CONCERNS— Chlodine Bittner (Jackson Weller’s grandmother), Alice Bradshaw, (Becky Meadema’s Mother), Mary Bray, Nelson R. Clark, Kathy Cropp, Marilyn East, Stacy Falden (Estella Falden’s granddaughter), Mrs. Helen Harris (Kathleen Harris’ Mother), Maurice Katoen, Tim Kernodle, Lee Norman, Nancy Poindexter, Ellen Tunnicliffe (Lisa Brown’s Mother), Tom West, Samantha Williams

ON THE MEND— Richard Ramey, Nultie Wiseman

There will be a congregational meeting after worship today to cover Pastoral Transitional matters.

Rescheduled:

Monday January 15th Evening Circle will meet at 7 p.m. at the home of Brenna Takata, 5008 Cobblestone Dr., Danville.

Our program for our Wed. Night Supper will be Cancer risk reduction, testing & diagnostics. Our meal will be baked spaghetti, big salads, garlic bread, and asst. cobbler-ala mode.

The Presbyterian Women have the honor to invite you to a church wide reception to say “goodbye” to Allen, Kelsey and Islay as they will be leaving First Presbyterian Church for a call in North Augusta, SC. We will host their farewell reception today right after the morning service at 12:30 p.m. We hope you will join us and wish them well on their new adventure.

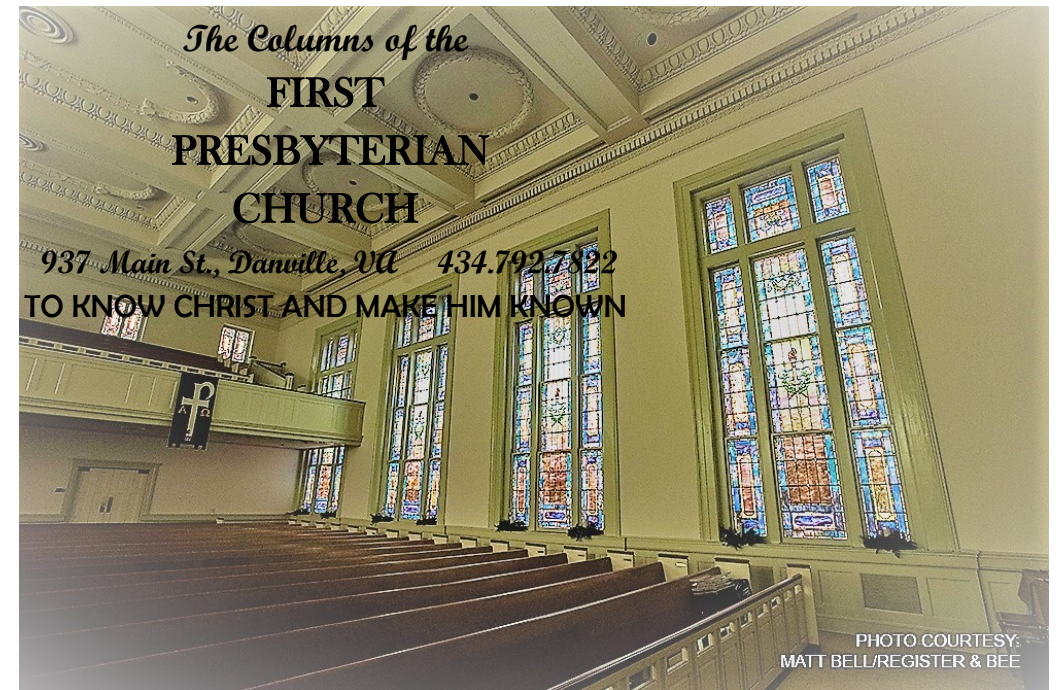
Bells will begin practice on Tuesday Jan. 16 with a Pizza & Polishing Party. Please join us for a fun evening with the ding-a-lings!!

SERVING TODAY

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| Nursery/Sunday School | Brenna Takata |
| Children’s Sunday School | K. Dolianitis/M. Sweeney
C. Baker/K. Machado |
| Elders at Front Door | E. Blount |
| Security & Side Door | J. Perez |
| Friendship Period | Harriet Beale |
| Deacon to Receive Offering | Susan Mathena |
| Officers to Count Offering | Beale/Meadema |
| Church School Superintendent | Gail Davis |
| Liturgist | Jarrold Brown |
| Time for Young Disciples | Tom Barrett |
| Sound System | Edward Blount |
| Ushers | Team 2 |
| Flower Ministry | Deacons |
| Weekend Custodian | Ron Tanner |
| Childcare Specialists | Lea Smith, Kelley Fochler |
| Saturday Lunch Ministry Jan. 20 | B. Newnam/J. Nostrandt |
| Saturday Lunch Attendance Jan. 6 | 39 |

The 2nd floor apartment, located at 903 Main St., is available for rent. Recently remodeled & painted, this apartment has 2 bedrooms (possible 3rd), 2 bathrooms, living room, dining room. Rent will be \$800/with \$800 security deposit. If you know anyone interested, please call Dick Stoakley 792-7822 ext. 5

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THIS WEEK AT FIRST PRESBYTERIAN

MONDAY, January 15

Office Closed

TUESDAY, January 16

10:00 a.m. Staff Meeting
 6:15 p.m. Handbells

WEDNESDAY, January 17

6:00 p.m. Family Night Dinner
 6:00 p.m. Youth

THURSDAY, January 18

5:30 p.m. Chancel Choir

FRIDAY, January 19

All Day Church Office Closed

SATURDAY, January 20

8:00 a.m. Men’s Breakfast
 10:45 a.m. Lunch Min. Bible Study
 11:30 a.m. Lunch Ministry

SUNDAY, January 21

9:00 a.m. Missions
 9:30 a.m. Sunday School
 9:45 a.m. Sunday School:
 Mid & High School, Rm 112
 Outlook Class, Rm 322
 Bible Fellowship, Library
 Seekers, Rm 109
 11 a.m. Worship, Sanctuary
 Mid-worship K-2/3-5 SS