



First Presbyterian Church

*Sunday Worship Service
December 6, 2020*

**Worshiping God,
Making disciples,
Loving others
...*FOR HIS GLORY!***

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THE LORD'S DAY

10:20 A.M.

Welcome and Announcements

A Service of Word and Sacrament for the People of God

***Call to Worship**

PSALM 132

***Invocation**

Anthem

Immanuel

MICHAEL HOLMAN

WORDS & MUSIC: MICHAEL CARD. ARRANGED BY: JACKIE HILL.
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A sign shall be given: a virgin will conceive a human baby bearing undiminished Deity.
The glory of the nations, a light for all to see, and hope for all who will embrace his warm reality.

*Immanuel, our God is with us. And if God is with us who could stand against us?
Our God is with us, Immanuel.*

All those who live in the shadow of death, a glorious light has dawned!
For all those who stumble in the darkness, behold, your light has come!

So what will be your answer?

Oh, will you hear the call of him who did not spare his son, but gave him for us all?

On earth there is no power, there is no depth or height

Could ever separate us from the love of God in Christ.

Prayer for Illumination

BASED ON LUKE 1:46-55 "THE MAGNIFICAT"

Meditation

MELANIE NEWMAN

God's Word Read

ISAIAH 40:1-8

God's Word Explained and Applied

REV. PHILLIP PALMERTREE

"Grieved Yet Comforted"

Save Christmas...from Us!

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Remembrance

Words of Institution of the Lord's Supper

Invitation and Warning

Giving of the Bread and the Cup

Prayer of Dedication

***Hymn 196**

Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus

WORDS: STANZAS 1,4: CHARLES WESLEY, 1744. STANZAS 2,3: MARK E. HUNT, 1978.
MUSIC: ROWLAND HUGH PRITCHARD, 1855.

Come, thou long-expected Jesus, born to set thy people free;
From our fears and sins release us; let us find our rest in thee.
Israel's strength and consolation, hope of all the earth thou art;
Dear Desire of every nation, joy of every longing heart.

Joy to those who long to see thee, Dayspring from on high, appear;

Come, thou promised Rod of Jesse, of thy birth we long to hear!

O'er the hills the angels singing news, glad tidings of a birth:

"Go to him, your praises bringing; Christ the Lord has come to earth."

Come to earth to taste our sadness, he whose glories knew no end;
By his life he brings us gladness, our Redeemer, Shepherd, Friend.
Leaving riches without number, born within a cattle stall;
This the everlasting wonder, Christ was born the Lord of all.

Born thy people to deliver, born a child and yet a King,
Born to reign in us forever, now thy gracious kingdom bring.
By thine own eternal Spirit rule in all our hearts alone;
By thine all-sufficient merit, raise us to thy glorious throne.

***Hymn 251** *Beneath the Cross of Jesus*

WORDS: ELIZABETH C. CELPHANE, 1872. MUSIC: FREDERICK C. MAKER, 1881.

Beneath the cross of Jesus I fain would take my stand,
The shadow of a mighty Rock within a weary land;
A home within the wilderness, a rest upon the way,
From the burning of the noon-tide heat and the burden of the day.

Upon the cross of Jesus mine eye at times can see
The very dying form of One who suffered there for me:
And from my stricken heart with tears two wonders I confess,
The wonders of redeeming love and my unworthiness.

I take, O cross, thy shadow for my abiding place:
I ask no other sunshine than the sunshine of his face;
Content to let the world go by, to know no gain nor loss;
My sinful self my only shame, my glory all the cross.

***Hymn 198** *Lift Up Your Heads [Based on Psalm 24]*

PARAPHRASE BY GEORG WEISEEL, 1642. MUSIC: PSALMODIA EVANGELICA, 1789.

Lift up your heads, ye mighty gates! Behold, the King of glory waits;
The King of kings is drawing near, the Savior of the world is here.

A helper just he comes to thee, his chariot is humility,
His kingly crown is holiness, his scepter, pity in distress.

O blest the land, the city blest, where Christ the Ruler is confessed!
O happy hearts and happy homes to whom this King in triumph comes!

Fling wide the portals of your heart; make it a temple, set apart
From earthly use for heaven's employ, adorned with prayer and love and joy.

Redeemer, come! I open wide my heart to thee; here, Lord, abide!
Let me thy inner presence feel; thy grace and love in me reveal.

So come, my Sovereign, enter in! Let new and nobler life begin!
Thy Holy Spirit, guide us on, until the glorious crown be won.

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***Benediction**

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FPC Cash Receipts/Disbursements			
	Income	Expenses	Over/Under
October 31, 2020	\$43,384	\$46,041	\$-2,657
Year-to-date	\$423,254	\$460,665	\$-37,411

Ava Lacey Christmas Project

Tuesday, December 8, 9:30 a.m.

Mary Thornton Room

Please bring your **wrapped/labeled gifts** to Marsha's office by **Monday, December 7**. We normally deliver 50-60 sacks to our members and people in the community. We need volunteers to help put the gift bags together. Please sign up on the bulletin board if you will be available. For more information, call 289-2435.

Suggested items for Christmas sacks:

- Safety pins
- Brush
- Comb
- Lotion
- Nabs
- Snack mix
- Lip balm
- Stamps
- Band-aids
- Pens
- Candy
- Books
- Soap
- Note cards
- Kleenex
- Scotch tape
- Small figurines
- Paper clips
- Footies
- Devotional books
- Back scratcher
- Goldfish crackers
- Christmas ornaments
- Fingernail clippers
- Small mouthwash
- Crossword puzzles
- Men's Handkerchiefs
- Small hairspray
- Small picture frame
- Peppermint Patties
- Sugar-free candy
- Small coin purse
- Hand sanitizer
- Emory boards
- Christmas jewelry
- Gum – Reg. or sugar-free
- Room freshener
- Note pads