

# FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

DURHAM, NORTH CAROLINA

Third Sunday after Epiphany

January 27, 2019

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## A SERVICE FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD AND SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

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*(As we prepare to worship, please silence all mobile devices.)*

### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mindy Douglas

### PRELUDE

*Kingsfold*

English folk tune

### \*INTROIT

*The Spacious Firmament on High*

Joseph Haydn

*The spacious firmament on high, with all the blue ethereal sky,  
And spangled heavens, a shining frame, their great Original proclaim.  
The unwearied sun from day to day does his Creator's power display;  
And publishes to every land the work of an almighty hand.*

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Sam Miglarese

Leader: God built the heavens, the earth, and everything in them.

People: **God calls us to be builders as well.**

Leader: God calls us to build our lives:

People: **To restore broken places and continue to grow.**

Leader: God calls us to build our faith:

People: **To study the Word and ponder its interpretation.**

Leader: God calls us to build our community:

People: **To build bridges of understanding and systems of justice.**

Leader: God calls us to build history by fulfilling the promises of Scripture:

People: **To preach the good news of God's love and liberation for all people.**

All: **Let us worship God.**

### \*PROCESSIONAL HYMN NO. 13

*The Mighty God with Power Speaks*

*Kingsfold*

### \*CONFESSION OF SIN (remain standing)

John Weicher

Call to Prayer

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

**God of our Restoration, whenever we come home to you, we realize how far we have strayed and how much we have forgotten of your law and your love. We have not loved you with our whole hearts or loved our neighbors as ourselves. Forgive us, heal us, and restore our relationship with you; through Jesus Christ, in whom we trust.**

Silent Confession

Declaration of Pardon

### COLLECT FOR THE DAY

Bob Yoder

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

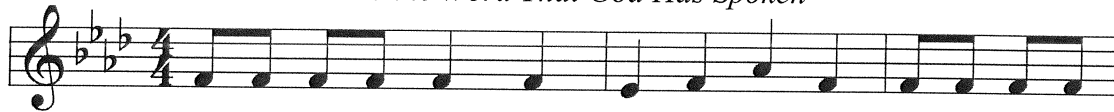
Leader: Let us sing our prayer of illumination.

\* Those who are able, please stand.

Hymn No. 455

*Listen to the Word That God Has Spoken*

*Listen*



Lis-ten to the word that God has spo-ken; lis-ten to the



One who is close at hand; lis-ten to the voice that be -



gan cre - a - tion; lis-ten e - ven if you don't un - der-stand.

**HEBREW SCRIPTURE LESSON**

Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10

(Pew Bible, OT Page 436)

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God!**

**GOSPEL LESSON**

Luke 4:14-21

(Pew Bible, NT Page 61)

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God!**

**SERMON**

*"When Jesus Comes Home"*

Mindy Douglas

**\*HYMN NO. 493**

*Now There Is No Male or Female*

*Omni Die*

**\*THE PEACE**

John Weicher

*As we pass the peace, please be mindful that it is flu season and we want to protect susceptible members of our community. Signs of hospitality and reconciliation may be expressed verbally, if desired.*

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

*(Children through 1<sup>st</sup> grade enter worship during The Peace.)*

**A TIME WITH THE CHILDREN**

Mindy Douglas

**NEW MEMBER SERVICE OF WELCOME**

Mindy Douglas, Marilyn Hedgpeth

Words of Welcome and Introduction

Reaffirmation of Baptismal Vows

Prayer

Song of Welcome (Hymn No. 306, verse 1; all sing)

*Dennis*

***Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love.***

***The fellowship of kindred minds is like to that above.***

**SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM**

Bennett Virginia Bass

**Words of Scripture**

Elder: On behalf of the Session, I present Bennett Virginia Bass to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.

### Questions to the Parents:

Pastor: Dustin and Elizabeth, do you desire that your child be baptized?  
Do you reaffirm your faith in Jesus Christ as your Lord and Savior?  
Do you renounce evil and affirm your reliance on God's grace?  
Relying on God's grace, do you promise to live the Christian faith  
and to teach that faith to your child?

Parents: **We do.**

### Questions to the gathered Children:

Pastor: Do you promise to be a friend to Bennett?  
If she gets lost will you help her find the way?  
If she falls down, will you help pick her up?  
Will you share with her the stories of Jesus?

Children: **Yes.**

### Question to the Congregation:

Elder: Do you, as members of the Church of Jesus Christ, promise to guide and nurture  
Bennett by word and deed, with love and prayer, encouraging her to know and follow  
Christ and to be a faithful member of Christ's church?

Congregation: **We do.**

*(As you are able, please stand.)*

### \*Affirmation of Faith

*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.**

*(You may be seated.)*

### Thanksgiving over the Water

Mindy Douglas

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Leader: Let us pray. We give you thanks, Eternal God, for you nourish and sustain all living things by the gift of water. In the beginning of time, your Spirit moved over the watery chaos, calling forth order and life. We thank you, O God, for the water of baptism: in it we are buried with Christ in his death; from it we are raised to share in his resurrection; through it we are reborn by the power of the Holy Spirit. Send your Spirit to move over this water that it may be a fountain of rebirth. Pour out your Holy Spirit upon Bennett that she may have power to do your will, and continue forever in the risen life of Christ. To you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, one God, be all praise, honor, and glory, now and forever.

All: **Amen.**

**Baptism**

**Anointing**

**Welcome**

*(Following the baptism, children may rejoin their parents in the pews or return to childcare.)*

**JOYS AND CONCERNS**

Marilyn Hedgpeth

Commissioning of Honduras Mission Team: *Margaret and Miguel Rubiera, Carl and Lisa Rist*

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD’S PRAYER**

Leader: Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable to you,

People: **O Lord, my rock and my redeemer.**

Leader: Let us pray.

*(Prayers of thanksgiving and intercession)*

**... 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.**

**DEDICATION OF OFFERINGS**

Offertory Anthem

*Behold, the Tabernacle of God*

Steven Rickards

*Behold, the tabernacle of God is with us, and the spirit of God dwelleth within you:*

*For the temple of God is Holy, which temple ye are.*

*For love of whom ye do this day, celebrate the joys of the temple*

*With a season of festivity. Alleluia.*

*(Following the anthem, please come forward with your Hunger for Change Offering.)*

\*Doxology

*Lasst uns erfreuen*

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below; Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia!**

**\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: **It is right to offer thanks and praise.**

All: **God of life and of new life, bless these gifts that we have given that they may further your reign in this world. Amen.**

\*HYMN NO. 772

*Live Into Hope*

*Truro*

\*BENEDICTION

Mindy Douglas

\*POSTLUDE

*Psalm 19: The Heavens Declare*

B. Marcello

**Attention parents:** The *Children’s Choir* will rehearse today from 12:15 – 12:45p.m. in the choir room.

*First Presbyterian Church* welcomes all who worship here. We honor and celebrate the human diversity and unity that God gives us in Christ. We welcome individuals of every age, race, nationality, gender, ability, sexual orientation, and economic circumstance to participate fully in the life of the church. So that we may better know each other, please sign the **Ritual of Friendship pad**, pass it along the center pew across to the shorter side pew, and then **return it to the starting point**, noting the names of those sitting near you. On Sunday, January 20 we welcomed 27 visitors to worship.

Please welcome the following *new members* to FPC: *Diane Goff*, mother of Leslie McDow, and *Dustin and Elizabeth Bass*. Dustin and Elizabeth's one-year-old daughter, *Bennett Virginia Bass*, is being baptized today. Elizabeth Bass is the daughter of Ed and Caroline Pritchett; Bennett is the Pritchetts' granddaughter.

The *flowers* are given to the glory of God in memory of *William and Helen Gudaitis* by *Jim and Christy Gudaitis*.

*Nursery care* for infants to 6 years of age is provided during worship on the second floor of the Education Building. Following "A Time with Children," children can remain in worship with their parents or return to the nursery. Childcare for infants – 2 years continues in the nursery for all of worship. There is a changing table in the narthex, located to the left as you exit the rear of the sanctuary.

*Worship bags and activity bulletins* are available in the foyer for children. Books are on the pews in the narthex for young children to read and enjoy should they need a break from the service.

Portions of *today's worship texts* were reprinted from *Feasting on the Word*.

### ~ Our Concerns ~

#### Added this week:

*Paul Cornsweet*

*Ted Churn*, Presbytery of New Hope Executive Presbyter/Stated Clerk, recovering from surgery

*Baby Robert and Margaret Gitata*, cousins of Mary Gitata

**Furloughed federal employees**

*Heath Huberg*, friend of FPC, patient at Duke Hospital

*Joseph Ngumi*, in rehab at Duke Regional Hospital

#### Recovering at Home:

*Chuck Barenchi*

*Margaret Mubanga*

*Franzi Rokoske*

*Carolyn and Jim Wolfe*

#### Care Communities:

Brookdale Senior Living, Durham: *Julian Boswell*

Croasdaile Pavilion: *Bette Conroy, Ann Prospero, Bob Rankin*

Durham Regent: *John Kerr*

Pruitt Health at Carolina Point, Durham: *Helen Garrison*

The Forest at Duke: *Fran Bryant*

#### Family and Friends of Church Members and Staff:

*Paul Dykeman*, friend of Steve and Martha Rimmer

*Doug Hervey*, son of Jeanne Hervey

*Jim Vacca*, father of Jamie Chambliss

*Nellie Van Ewyk*, sister of Hendrika Vande Kemp



### **Sunday, February 3 is Souper Bowl Sunday at FPC!**

FPC's children, with help from their families and some youth, assembled packets of yummy dried bean soup mix on MLK Day 2019. The children will be in the foyer after worship on Souper Bowl Sunday, February 3, to offer the soup packets in exchange for a donation to benefit the Food Bank of Central NC, and our furloughed federal employees. Thank you in advance for supporting this annual fund-raising project for hunger relief.

## **Legacy Society Appreciation Luncheon Planned**

The FPC Legacy Society will celebrate its third annual Member Appreciation Luncheon on Wednesday, February 6, 2019. Through FPC Legacy Society members' grace and generosity our membership continues to grow. If you have not yet joined the FPC Legacy Society, please consider joining now and making FPC a part of your Legacy. Your membership in the FPC Legacy Society will help insure the future of our historic congregation and its place in the Durham community, just as we enjoy the legacy gifts that have come before us. You will find information about joining the FPC Legacy Society in today's worship bulletin. Please direct any questions about the FPC Legacy Society to Tom Bloom, Business Administrator.

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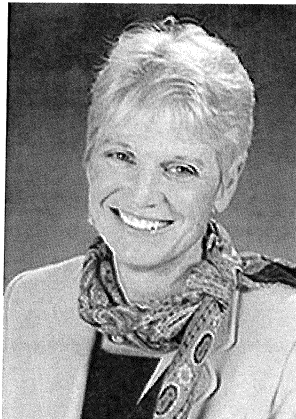


## **Writers needed for Lenten Devotionals**

FPC is journeying through Lent with a new guide this year – a Lenten devotional written entirely by FPC members and friends. Folks of all ages are encouraged to sign up to write a devotional based on one of a few assigned texts they'll be given. More information, and a few examples, are available from the tables in the foyer and narthex. The deadline for submittals is February 13, 2019. Email John Weicher if you are interested: [j.weicher@firstpres-durham.org](mailto:j.weicher@firstpres-durham.org).

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## **Announcing the 20<sup>th</sup> Annual McPherson Lectureship**



### **Guest Lecturer: Mary Louise Bringle**

Professor of Philosophy and Religious Studies  
at Brevard College in Brevard, NC

### **Sunday, February 24**

9:45 a.m. - Adult Sunday School

11:00 a.m. - Worship

4:00 p.m. - Tea and Conversation

### **Monday, February 25**

8:00 a.m. - Breakfast and Conversation

Breakfast is free to clergy and seminarians.

Childcare will be available for all events.

More details forthcoming.

# 13 The Mighty God with Power Speaks

(Psalm 50)

1 The Might - y God with pow - er speaks, and all the world o - beys;  
2 God comes not with a si - lent form, but rid - ing on the winds;  
3 The heavens de - clare your jus - tice, Lord, as end - less as the sky;

from dawn un - til the set - ting sun, God's won - der earth dis - plays.  
be - fore God's face, the rag - ing storm its blast of thun - der sends.  
a - gainst the taunts of dis - be - lief, our God will tes - ti - fy.

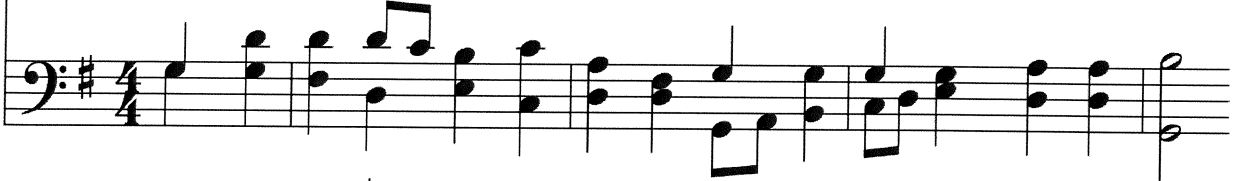
The per - fect beau - ty all a - round from Zi - on's height shines forth;  
All hail the Judge, in bold ar - ray, whose prom - ise is to bless;  
Re - ceive my heart - felt gift of thanks, as hon - or to your might;

and stars a - cross the fir - ma - ment so bright - ly beam their worth.  
who sees our sins, yet al - so feels our thirst for righ - teous - ness.  
re - fresh my faith with each new day; pro - tect me through the night.

# 493 Now There Is No Male or Female



1 Now there is no male or fe-male; now there is no free or slave;  
2 Cru - ci - fied with Christ the Sav-ior, bap-tized in his ho - ly death,  
3 Death has no do - min-ion o'er him, so for us death holds no power;



now there is no Jew or Gen-tile in the earth Christ died to save.  
and as Christ was raised to glo - ry we have new life on this earth.  
life's own wa-ters now have marked us, born to God this ver - y hour.



Christ has set us free for free-dom: we no more sing slav-ery's creed;  
Power of wa-ter and God's nam-ing, turn - ing us from dark to light,  
From this mo-ment and for - ev - er dead to sin, a - live in Christ,



old sub - mis-sions can - not claim us; Christ has set us free in - deed.  
joins us to those who, be - fore us, ran the race and fought the fight.  
born of wa - ter and the Spir-it, now in Christ we find our life.





# Blest Be the Tie That Binds 306

1 Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in  
2 Be - fore our \*Fa - ther's throne we pour our  
3 We share our mu - tual woes; our mu - tual  
4 When we are called to part, it gives us  
5 From sor - row, toil, and pain, and sin we

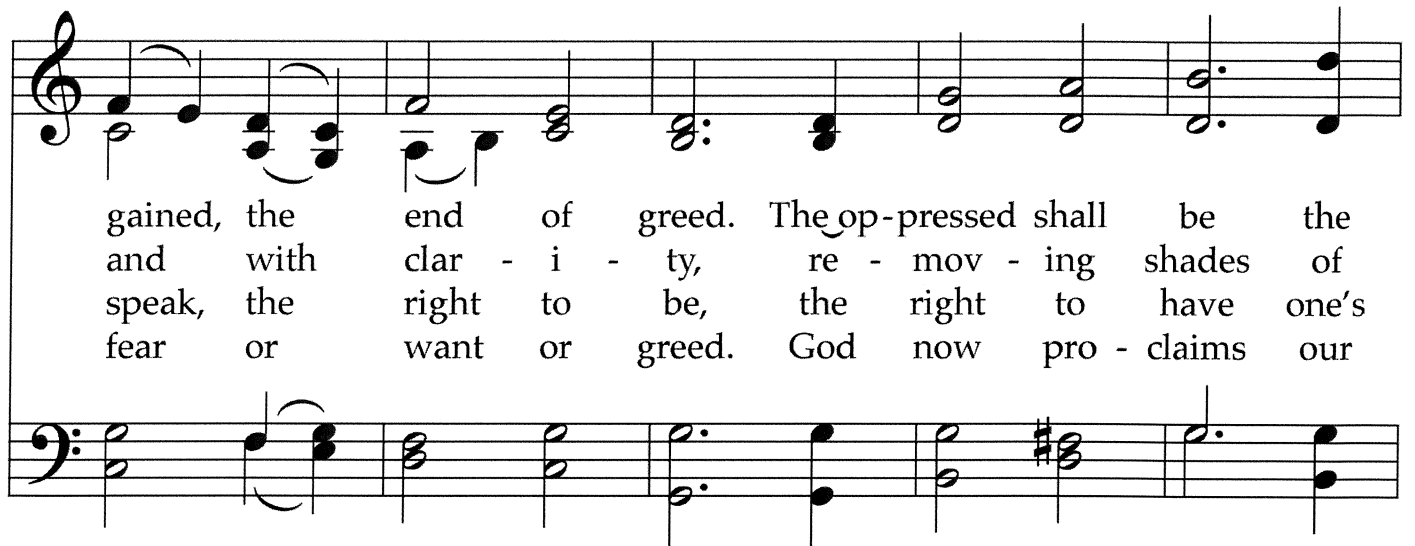
Chris - tian love. The fel - low - ship of  
ar - dent prayers. Our fears, our hopes, our  
bur - dens bear. And of - ten for each  
in - ward pain; but we shall still be  
shall be free; and per - fect love and

kin - dred minds is like to that a - bove.  
aims are one, our com - forts and our cares.  
oth - er flows the sym - pa - thiz - ing tear.  
joined in heart, and hope to meet a - gain.  
friend - ship reign through all e - ter - ni - ty.

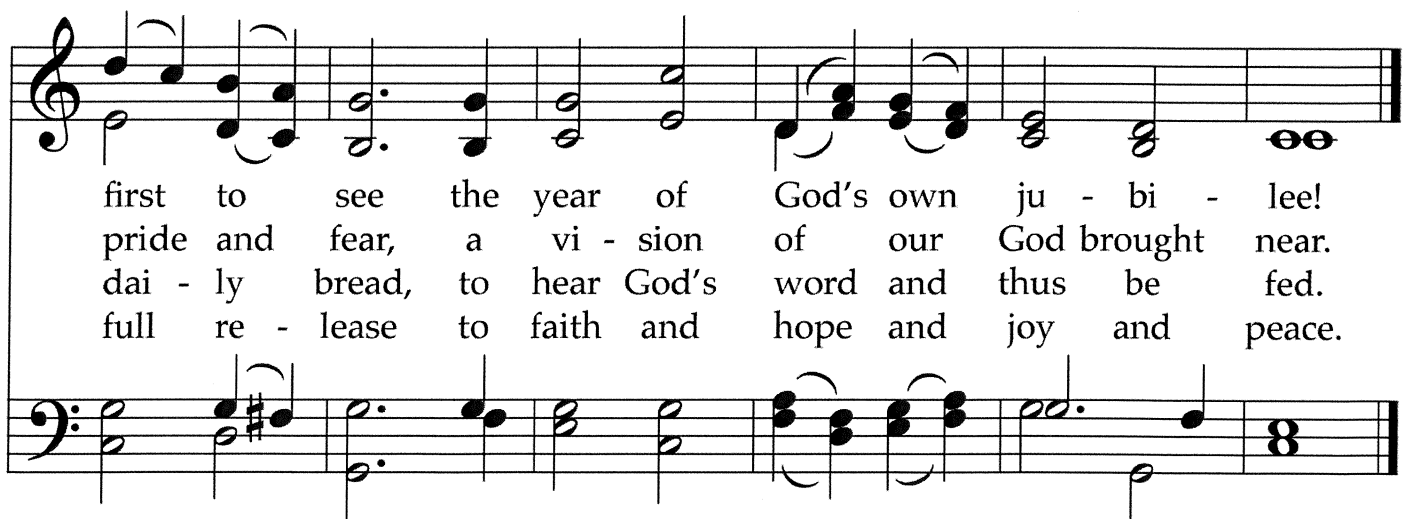
## Live into Hope



1 Live in - to hope of cap - tives freed, of sight re -  
 2 Live in - to hope! The blind shall see with in - sight  
 3 Live in - to hope of lib - er - ty, the right to  
 4 Live in - to hope of cap - tives freed from chains of



gained, the end of greed. The op-pressed shall be the  
 and with clar - i - ty, re - mov - ing shades of  
 speak, the right to be, the right to have one's  
 fear or want or greed. God now pro - claims our



first to see the year of God's own ju - bi - lee!  
 pride and fear, a vi - sion of our God brought near.  
 dai - ly bread, to hear God's word and thus be fed.  
 full re - lease to faith and hope and joy and peace.



## THE HUNGER FOR CHANGE OFFERING

First Presbyterian Church of Durham has a long history of involvement in hunger-related mission, most notably Pennies for Hunger (now Hunger for Change) and the Durham CROP Walk. In addition, members of First Presbyterian coordinate volunteers for the Community Kitchen at Urban Ministries of Durham, collect food for the Iglesia Emanuel Presbyterian Church's Food Pantry, and donate to and volunteer with the Food Bank of Central and Eastern NC location in Durham. Our children and youth sponsor the annual Souper Bowl of Caring to raise money for hunger-related missions. On weekdays, we assemble and hand out blessing (snack) bags to our downtown neighbors who come to the church doors hungry. We also encourage giving to the One Great Hour of Sharing Hunger Offering on Easter Sunday which funds mission activities related to disaster assistance and hunger programs locally and around the world.

The funds received from our monthly Hunger for Change Offering are sent to the New Hope Presbytery for the Presbyterian Hunger Relief Program and are divided as follows:


- 50% - International Hunger Relief Programs
- 40% - Local Hunger Programs
- 10% - Administration.

Locally, the funds are dispersed through grants awarded to hunger relief programs based on an application process. Urban Ministries of Durham, Presbyterian Urban Ministries, and Iglesia Emanuel have been frequent recipients.

If your family committed to saving a **penny**/day each month, you'd be donating about \$0.30 per month or \$3.65 for the entire year. That's not much in the face of the rising need. Save a **nickel**/day, and you can contribute \$1.50 per month. A **dime**/day will generate \$3.00 and a **quarter**/a day will generate \$7.50 per month.

The fourth Sunday of each month is designated to receive the Hunger for Change Offering at First Presbyterian Church. In 2018, our Hunger for Change Offering averaged **\$430.25 per month**. Please consider supporting this hunger relief effort with a generous offering today.

## The Week at a Glance!

Later Today	Monday, January 28	Tuesday, January 29	Wednesday, January 30
<b>After Worship:</b> <b>12:15 – 12:45 PM</b> Children's Choir  <b>4:30 – 6:30 PM</b> Middle School Youth  <b>6:00 – 8:00 PM</b> High School Youth	<b>6:00 PM</b> Diaconate  <b>6:30 PM</b> Joint Officers' Supper  <b>7:00 PM</b> Session	<b>1:30 PM</b> Plan Worship  <b>2:30 PM</b> FPC Staff	<b>5:00 PM</b> Bell Choir  <b>7:00 PM</b> Chancel Choir
Thursday, January 31	Friday, February 1	Saturday, February 2	Sunday, February 3
	<b>6:00 - 9:00 PM</b> Officer/Staff Retreat at Haw River	<b>9:00 AM – 5:00 PM</b> Officer/Staff Retreat at Haw River  <b>9:30 – 11:00 AM</b> Rehearsal for Youth Sunday in the Sanctuary  <b>10:30 AM</b> Scratch Potluck at the home of Mary and Stephen Berry  <b>6:00 PM</b> FPC Basketball vs. Christ Central Team B at Grey Stone Church's Family Life Center	<b>Fourth Sunday Ordinary Time</b> <b>YOUTH SUNDAY</b>    <b>9:45 AM</b> Sunday School  <b>11:00 AM</b> Youth-led Worship with Communion  <b>After Worship:</b> Souper Bowl of Caring fundraiser  <b>12:15 – 12:45 PM</b> Children's Choir  <b>No Evening Youth Groups</b>

### ~ Serving Today ~

Liturgist: **Bob Yoder**

Baptism Elder: **Carl Rist**

Narthex Greeter: **Chris Williams**

After Worship Greeters: **Andy Henry** (side/font); **Libby Gulley** (rear/narthex)

Ushers: **Stephen Berry** (head), **Christy Gudaitis**, **Michael Honeycutt**, **John Mozart**

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