

GATHERING

PRELUDE “As With Gladness, Men of Old” arr. G. Sikes

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

CHORAL INTROIT “Come Be Glad” Jane Holstein
Chancel Choir

+CALL TO WORSHIP

In the sea of life’s daily stress and strife,
in the struggle to keep our heads above the waves,
Jesus calls us from the shore:
“Follow me, and be fishers of people!”
**God gathers us into new boats
built with room for friend and stranger.**
“Follow me, and use your gifts with purpose.
Follow me, and build abundant life.”
**We will be weavers of community,
architects of justice,
gardeners of peace.**

HYMN #720 “Jesus Calls Us” GALILEE

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Christ, our Messiah,
you call us to fish for people,
but we are hesitant to leave our boats.
We are afraid to let go of the things we hoard,
believing they make us secure.
We are afraid to put our trust in you,
afraid to follow, afraid we will fail.
Forgive us.
Transform our fear into faithfulness,
and enable us to walk with you,
that we may be part of your work in the world.**

(Silent Confession)

KYRIE #551
*Lord, have mercy, Christ, have mercy, Lord, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy, Christ, have mercy, Lord, have mercy upon us.*

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Just as Jesus called the disciples,
so Christ calls us.
Forgiven of our sin
and freed to serve,
Let us answer Christ’s call.
**Christ calls us, forgives us, heals us, and teaches us.
Thanks be to God!**

+RESPONSE #581 GLORIA PATRI

*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.*

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH
PNC Update

THE WORD

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT READING Isaiah 9: 1-4
Pew Bible pg. 638

ANTHEM “Let Heavenly Music Fill This Place” Gordon Young
Chancel Choir

NEW TESTAMENT READING Matthew 4: 12-23
Pew Bible pg. 3

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks Be to God.

SERMON “Define. Defy. Follow.” Reverend Leigh Anne Armstrong

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

+UNISON AFFIRMATION OF FAITH 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 arose 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 #726 “Will You Come and Follow Me” KELVINGROVE

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE/THE LORD’S PRAYER

THE OFFERTORY Cents Ability
There are multiple ways to contribute to the ministries of First Presbyterian Eufaula: An offering plate is located in the rear of the sanctuary or you may mail your contribution to First Presbyterian Eufaula at 201 N. Randolph Ave, Eufaula, AL 36027, drop it by the church office, or give online at www.firstpresbyterianeufaula.org/give.

+DOXOLOGY
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

SENDING

+CLOSING HYMN #826 “Lift High the Cross” CRUCIFER

+BENEDICTION

+POSTLUDE “O Morning Star, How Fair and Bright” arr. Sikes
+ Congregation Standing

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WELCOME: We welcome back to our pulpit today, Reverend Leigh Anne Armstrong.

We warmly welcome you to worship this morning and ask that you please sign the Friendship pad in your pew. Christian worship joyfully ascribes all praise and honor, glory and power to the Triune God. In worship we acknowledge God, who is present in the world and in our lives. As we respond to God’s claim and redemptive action in Jesus Christ, we are transformed and renewed. In worship, we offer ourselves to God and we are equipped for God’s service in the world.

Visitors: We extend a special welcome to those who are visiting with us this morning. We invite you to come back and worship with us as often as possible. If you would like more information about our church, please see one of our Elders.

First Presbyterian Church of Eufaula is a church in transition. Our beloved pastor of the last seven years has answered God’s call to lead a new church. Our Pastor Nominating Committee (PNC) is working diligently with God’s leading to find the right person to shepherd our church into the future. If you have any questions about our church or are interested in joining our congregation, please speak to one of the ushers or a session member. Thank you for your support, patience and especially your prayers.

Congratulations to Arnie Cutchen for being awarded the Champion of Youth Award from the Boys and Girls Clubs of Eufaula. Well Deserved!

WOW dinner at 5:15 on Wednesday and Bible Study afterward.

Giving Fence needs items, including coat hangers and blankets. If you have anything that you don’t need or want and think it is in good shape, please donate it for our Giving Fence. Also needed are personal and household items.

Can Cross needs food items. Please give what you are able to help those who need food in our community. Please place your items in the Can Cross outside the pastor’s office.

Wednesday Prayer Service will meet at the front of the sanctuary at 12:00 noon.

Large print editions of the **Glory to God Hymnal** are available for use and can be obtained from an usher.

Offering: You may now give online if you prefer using your debit/credit card. Go to <https://firstpresbyterianeufaula.org/give> on your phone and the website will direct you.

Cares & Concerns: Kaitlin Hoover Black, Betty Suddath, Judy Umstattd, Eden Coates, Fred McWaters, Carter McDonald, Darryl Kornegay, Melissa Scholl, Della Huffman, Linda Creel, Lincoln, Christine Fisher, Teresa Orr, Margaret Beasley, Bill Elkins, Don Wood, Andrew Peak, Carolyn Cousar, Joel Miller, Joe Mitchell.
Please pray for our church and the Pastor Nominating Committee, specifically during their regular meeting on Thursdays at 4:00. At this time, please stop what you are doing and pray.

Worshippers at Home: Pegge Abraham, Jane Price, Betty Cain

Military Members: Nicole Barrett

College Students: Jake Cournoyer, David Dixon, James Dixon, Haley Helbing, Benjamin Powers, Jake Taylor, Tabetha Taylor, Hailey Beard, Logan Adams, John Stephen Powers, Gray Mitchell

Weekly Calendar

Sunday, January 25th
9:30 AM – Choir Rehearsal
10:15 AM - Coffee and Fellowship
11:00 AM –Worship with Reverend Leigh Anne Armstrong

Wednesday, January 28th
12:00pm – noon prayer
5:15pm – WOW dinner, Bible Study following

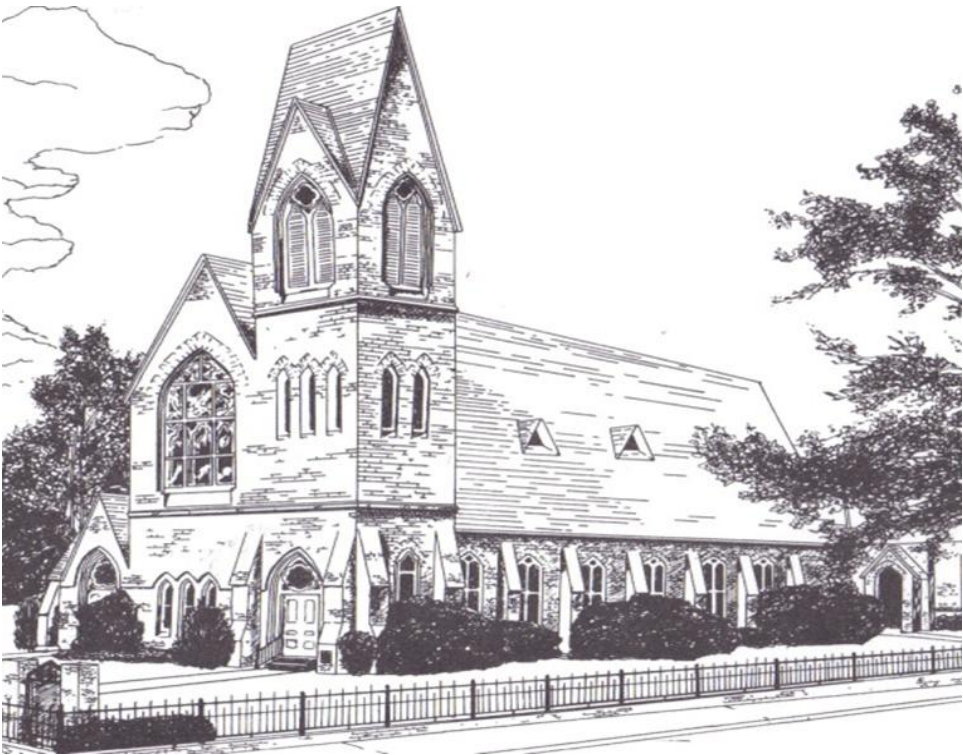
Thursday, January 29th
5:00pm – PNC meeting

Sunday, February 1st
9:30 AM - Choir Rehearsal, 10:15 AM Coffee and Fellowship
11:00 AM – Worship

SESSION

<i>Class of 2026</i>	<i>Class of 2027</i>	<i>Class of 2028</i>
Callie Strickland	Arnie Cutchen	Diana Brooks
Doug Winkleblack	Ginny Hornsby	Wayne Fiquett
Teresa Barrett	Emily Parrish	Steve Hawkins

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3rd Sunday after Epiphany
January 25th, 2026