

Order for the Worship of God

Welcome & Announcements

GATHERING

Welcome

from Psalm 29:3, 9, 11

- L The voice of the Lord is over the waters,
- C And in the temple God's people cry, "Glory!"**
- L May the Lord give strength to his people!
- C May the Lord bless his people with peace!**

Prayer

*Opening Hymn (Blue #63)

"As With Gladness"

Worship from the Psalms

(from Psalm 29)

- L Ascribe to the Lord, O heavenly beings, ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.
- C Ascribe to the Lord the glory of his name; worship the Lord in holy splendor.**
- L The voice of the Lord is over the waters; the God of glory thunders, the Lord, over mighty waters.
- C The voice of the Lord is powerful; the voice of the Lord is full of majesty.**
- L The voice of the Lord breaks the cedars; the Lord breaks the cedars of Lebanon.
- C He makes Lebanon skip like a calf and Sirion like a young wild ox.**
- L The voice of the Lord flashes forth flames of fire. The voice of the Lord shakes the wilderness; the Lord shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.
- C The voice of the Lord causes the oaks to whirl and strips the forest bare, and in his temple all say, "Glory!"**
- L The Lord sits enthroned over the flood; the Lord sits enthroned as king forever.

C May the Lord give strength to his people! May the Lord bless his people with peace!

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, in baptism you promise forgiveness and new life, making us part of the body of Christ. We confess that we remain preoccupied with ourselves, separated from one another. We cling to destructive habits, hold grudges, and show reluctance to welcome one another. We allow the past to hold us captive. In your loving-kindness, have mercy on us, and free us from sin. Fulfill the promises of our baptism so that we may rise to new life and live together in grace. Amen.

Silent Prayers of Reflections

Assurance of Pardon

PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

Special Music

"Hail to the Lord's Anointed"

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture

Isaiah 42:1-9, Matthew 3:13-17

Then Jesus came from Galilee to John at the Jordan, to be baptized by him. John would have prevented him, saying, "I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?" But Jesus answered him, "Let it be so now, for it is proper for us in this way to fulfill all righteousness." Then he consented. And when Jesus had been baptized, just as he came up from the water, suddenly the heavens were opened to him and he saw God's Spirit descending like a dove and alighting on him. And a voice from the heavens said, "This is my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased."

Message

Bruce Brown

Prayer of Affirmation

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

* Hymn

"Hail to the Lord's Anointed"

*Offering Prayer

*Doxology

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession

The prayers of thanksgiving and intercession are responsive. When you hear the leader say:

Lord, in your mercy,

Please respond,

Hear our prayer.

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

SENDING OUT

*Closing Hymn (Blue #326)

"Spirit of God"

*Blessing and Benediction

Departing Music

The **Per Capita** apportionment for 2026 is **\$40.71**.

Contributing this amount in addition to your pledge helps our congregation pay our allotment and supports the broader church.

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January 11th, 2026

10:00 a.m.

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Welcome to our Worship!

We are glad to have you with us today. May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God the Father, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you. Everyone is welcome for refreshments and fellowship after worship. Thank you, Mike Whitman, for being liturgist today.

Our **offering** is received on the back table in the sanctuary, you can give online using the **QR code** at right or donate from our **website**.



Please volunteer to be **liturgist** or **bring cookies**.

Signup is at the back table in the sanctuary.

Annual Reports are due this Sunday, January 11th. If you have any questions, please talk with Bruce.

Connect to the Community meets on Tuesday, January 13th at 4:00 p.m.

Session meets Monday, January 19th at 4:00 p.m.

Our **Bedding and Towel Collection** for the Salvation Army starts on Sunday, January 18th. There is a sign-up sheet for volunteers to accept and sort donations.

The next **Friendship Luncheon** is on Tuesday, January 20th at 11:00 a.m. at Hill's. Please sign up in the south alcove.

The **Connections Bible Study** will resume on Wednesday, January 21st. They will be reading *The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe* by C.S. Lewis!

The **Annual Meeting** of the Congregation will be on Sunday, January 25th. At this meeting, the following are nominated to be members of the Session: For a term ending in January 2028, Dan Badenhop and Olga Hall. For a term ending in January 2029, Jana Schroeder and Margaret Whitman. Nominations for the Nominating Committee are Nancy Johnston and Shirley Reese.

CHURCH FAMILY AND FRIENDS TO REMEMBER IN PRAYER

VANCREST: Dollie Smith

SIMMONS CROSSING: Connie Cobb

ALPINE VILLAGE: Sandy Johnson

PRAYER LIST: Gene & Carol Detmer, Joe & Linda McOscar, Julie Fogle, Kathy Schilens (Jana Schroeder's sister), Enoch & Adyē Castro Vásquez (Olga Hall's father and mother), Jacob Clegg (Brenda Stough's friend), Betty Sladek (Ed Sladek's Wife)

Bedding & Towel Collection

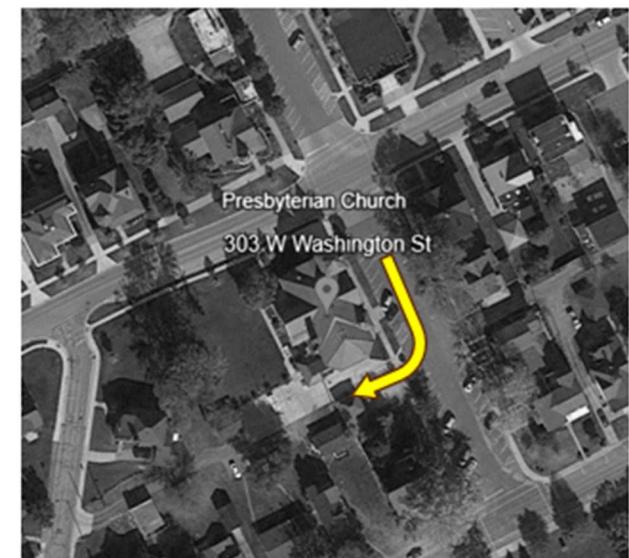
We are collecting gently used or new sheets, pillowcases, blankets or towels for those in need, in partnership with the Salvation Army.

Please drop off items at the First Presbyterian Church in Napoleon, at 303 W. Washington St. during the following times:

- Sunday, January 18 from 12 p.m. to 2 p.m.
- Tuesday & Thursday January 20 & 22 from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.
- Saturday, January 24 from 10 a.m. to noon

Please come to our entrance off the Webster Street alley, where we have our handicapped parking.

Thank you for your donations!



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