# First Presbyterian Church

# Clarksburg, West Virginia

Rev. John F. Koerner Broadcast live on WPDX radio, 104.9 FM

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**Ten Forty-Five** 

# 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Epiphany

#### PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP:

LARGE-PRINT BIBLES ARE AVAILABLE IN THE PEWS LARGE-PRINT BULLETINS AND HEARING-ASSIST DEVICES ARE AVAILABLE FROM USHERS  $^*$  INDICATES TO STAND IF ABLE

#### GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

Organ Prelude

"Ariosto"

Handel

Welcome

The Peace

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

And also with you.

Let us greet one another with the peace of Christ.

Announcements and Friendship Register

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"Breath of Heaven"

Megan Strange

Call to Worship & Opening prayer -Adapted from Alfred The Great (849-899) King of England Lord God almighty, we praise you for your great mercy.

Guide us to your will, to our soul's need.

And shield us against our foes, seen and unseen;

Teach us to do your will that we may inwardly love you before all things

#### with a clean mind and a clean body.

For you are our maker and our redeemer, our help, our comfort, our trust and our hope.

Praise and glory be to you, now, ever and ever, world without end.

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"God of the Ages, Whose Almighty Hand"

National Hymn

### \*(all to Confession

Scripture promises, "If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just and will cleanse us from all unrighteousness."

\*Prayer of Confession (The General Prayer of Confession slightly amended by Robert Wallace)

Almighty and most merciful God, we have erred and strayed from your ways like lost sheep, we have followed too much the desires of our own hearts, and have offended against your holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done, and we have done those things which we ought not to have done. Have mercy upon us; spare us, restore us, according to your promises declared to us in Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

## \*Assurance of Pardon

As far as the East is from the West, so far has God removed our sins from us. Friends believe the good news,

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

\*Congregational Response - "Gloria Patri" #579

Hymn

"Jesus Loves the Little Children"

Jesus loves the little children, all the children of the world.

Red and yellow, black and white, they are precious in his sight.

Jesus loves the little children of the world.

Children of the Church

Terra Burnett

# Prayer for Illumination

Almighty God, grant us your presence as we hear your word read and proclaimed. Deliver us from all coldness of heart and wanderings of mind, that we might hear and obey what you tell us today. In Jesus' name. Amen.

First Scripture Lesson

Isaiah 49:1-7

John 1:29-42

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God.

Second Scripture Lesson

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon "AHA!"

Rev. John F. Koerner

I am a child of God. I believe in Jesus Christ as my Lord and Savior.

I believe he has the power to change my life and your life.

Piano Interlude-Silent prayer and reflection

### RESPONDING TO THE WORD

\* Affirmation of Faith The Apostles' Creed Hymnal, p.14

\* Hymn #333 "Seek Ye First" Lafferty

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

Gathering of Tithes and Offerings

Gathering

Offertory "Walk Along Beside Me, Oh My Lord"

Chancel Choir

- \* The Doxology
- \* Prayer of Dedication

#### BEARING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

\*Hymn 354

"Guide My Feet"

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\*Charge and Benediction

\* Congregational Response

"First Song of Isaiah" (chorus only) 2x

Surely it is God who saves me; I will trust in him and not be afraid. For the Lord is my strong-hold and my sure defense, and he will be my Savior.

\*Organ Postlude

"Grand Processional"

**Brahms** 

Please join us for fellowship and refreshments in Westminster Hall following the service.

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