
First Presbyterian Church

Clarksburg, West Virginia

Rev. John F. Koerner

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Ten Forty-Five



Baptism of the Lord

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

Prelude "Prelude on Rhosymedre" by R. Vaughan Williams

Welcome

*The Peace

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

Let us exchange signs of Christ's peace with one another.

Announcements and Friendship Register

Please sign the friendship register found in your pew

Call to Worship

(Col. 2:12, 3:1)

In baptism we were buried with Christ..

In baptism also we were raised to life with him through faith in the power of God who raised him from the dead.

If then you have been raised with Christ,

seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God.

*Hymn #139

"Come, Thou Almighty King"

Italian Hymn

Invitation to Confession of Sin

Despite our foolish and angry words,

God continues to speak of mercy to us,

Despite our continued efforts to be faithless in our living,

God remains faithful in keeping the promise

to forgive us and restore us to wholeness.

Let us confess our sins to God,

that God's hope and grace might endure in our brokenness

Prayer for the Confession of Sin (in unison)

We confess, O Lord, that we often fail to see you in those who are not like us.

In spite of our best efforts, we can't seem to stop placing people in "us" and "them" categories. Cleanse us of our sin. Help us to see all others through your eyes of love and acceptance. May we indeed live into our baptism and realize the unity and peace that is ours in Christ Jesus. Amen.

Silence is observed

Assurance of Pardon

(1 Peter 2:10)

Once you were no people but now you are God's people;

Once you had not received mercy but now you have received mercy.

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

Glory to God. Amen.

*Congregational Response- "Gloria Patri" #579

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

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 (in unison)

**Come to us now, O Lord, in truth and in power.
Open our ears that we may truly hear you.
Open our hearts that we may truly accept you.
Open our minds that we may truly obey you.
In Jesus' name. Amen.**

Old Testament Lesson Isaiah 42:1-9

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

New Testament Lesson Matthew 3:13-17

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Sermon "Baptized!" 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

*The Apostle's Creed Page 14 of the Blue Hymnal

*Hymn #492 "Baptized in Water" Bunessan

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Gathering of Tithes and Offerings

Gathering
Offertory "The Lord's My Shepherd" Arr by Linker & McFadden Bell Choir
*The Doxology
*Prayer of Dedication

BEARING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

*Hymn #332 "Live Into Hope" Truro LM

*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.**

*Postlude "Tune in D Major" C. S. Lang

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

Liturgists.....The Congregation of First Presbyterian Church
Pastor.....Rev. John F. Koerner
Worship Leader.....Suzi Heger
Minister of Music.....Jeanne Harris
Organist.....Bill Saviers
Acolytes.....Hannah Burnett, Gia Corsini, Molly Hugus
Parish Associate.....Rev. Charla Waters Koerner
Parish Associate.....Rev. James A. Harris

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CHURCH NEWS *and* ANNOUNCEMENTS

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SERVING YOU THIS MORNING

USHERS: Lance Kuhens, Hank Lawrence, Andrea Myerburg

GREETER: Jo Eckert

“For ye are all the children of God by faith in Christ Jesus. For as many of you as have been baptized into Christ have put on Christ.”
Galatians 3:26-27

**~Joined the Church Triumphant~
Richard Riddle
May 25, 1931 – January 6, 2020**

NURTURING FAITH – EPIPHANY

January 13: Epiphany, a time of wonder, a time of awe, is a time to recognize that God is here on earth with us through his son, Jesus Christ. God gave us a gift on that day so long ago – the knowledge that our God walks with us every day. Share that gift with all you meet.

- We have openings for the reredos flowers for January 26th, and February 2nd and 23rd. If you would like to order and dedicate them in memory or in honor of someone, please contact the church office.
- Offering envelopes are available on the table in Westminster Hall. Please take a booklet and write your name on the paper beside the book number that you are taking.
- Please let us know if anyone needs to be added or removed from the Special Concerns / Prayer List. The prayer chain operates every day. Just let Pastor John or Harriett Northey know if there is a concern.



FOR CHURCHES IN OUR PRESBYTERY

DuPont City Presbyterian Church, Belle
Hughes River Presbyterian Church, Cairo
Westminster Presbyterian Church, Charleston

SPECIAL CARE FACILITIES:

Roberta Davis; Amy Garrett; Sara Graham; Richard Riddle

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN FAMILIES: BAILEY, Dr. J.D. Jr., Philip, Keirston; LAFFERTY, Nanette, Bill, Maddison and Landen; LANGLEY, Earl and Kathy; NUZUM, David, Sandi, Casey, Courtney, and Jared; KELLER, Isabella and Avery; SHERLOCK, Lynn; STRANGE, Jeff, Amy; STRANGE, Megan, Matthew; WETZEL, Jennifer; DAVIS, Anne; ECKERT, Josephine; MERRIOTT, Ellen, Edna, and Hunter; LYNCH, Jeanne and Jerry; WILSON, Helen; DEVONO, Kay and Frank

FOR THOSE WITH SPECIAL CONCERNS:

ADKINS, Charles	ARNOLD, Sarah	COX, Eddie
COX, Jeremy F	CUNNINGHAM, Debbie	FOWLER, Angie
GRIFFIN, Carol Lee	GUMP, Yvonne	HARDMAN, Derek
HARDMAN, Bob & Janice	HOLT, Jack	HOOD, Robbie
KUHENS, Eric	LINTON, Doug	McCLEAN, Nora
McQUAID, Jim	MICHOME, John	MICK, Jillian
NARDONE, Nickolas	OLDAKER, Kenneth	OLDAKER, Wilma
ORR, Susan (Carole's Sister)		PACK, Amy
ROGERS, Joey	SAUNDERS, Susie	SHIFFRA, Everett
SIMMONS, Melanie	SMITH, Bonnie	SMITH, Chuck
SMITH, Donna	TYSON, Karen	WAMSLEY, John
WETZEL, Jennifer	WRIGHT, Mary Ann	

CHURCH CALENDAR

Monday, January 13th

Prayer Group 10:00

Tuesday, January 15th

Deacon Meeting 4:30

Wednesday, January 15th

Bible Study 6:30 "We Make the Road by Walking", Chapter 18

Friday, January 17th

AA Group 12:00

Sunday, January 19th

Worship & CE Meeting after church