WELCOME VISITORS

Welcome to First Presbyterian Church. We are glad to provide hybrid and virtual worship services for this Sunday. Services are currently livestreamed on our Facebook page (First Presbyterian Church of Clarion) in real time, then archived to our website and YouTube channel.

At First Presbyterian Church our mission is to worship, grow, and serve as followers of Jesus. From our youngest to our oldest, we seek to worship God in our actions, grow in God's love, and serve God's people in our community and around the world. We hope that you will come join us so we may personally extend a warm welcome. If you have any questions or particular prayer needs, please feel free to contact the church office at 226-8145 between 9 a.m. and 3:00 p.m., Monday thru Thursday.

For more information visit our website at www.clarionfirstpresby.org.

Find us on Facebook! (First Presbyterian Church of Clarion)

Video recordings of past sermons may be viewed by clicking the "Worship" link on our home page at www.clarionfirstpresby.org or a phone app is available at sermon.net (look for First Presbyterian Church—Clarion.) You can also choose to listen to an audio version. Simply pick the option that works best for you. Videos of Sunday worship are also posted on our Facebook page (see above).

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CHURCH STAFF AND LEADERSHIP

Pastor: Rev. Rebecca Mihm Organist: Jean Mitrosky Director of Music: Bonnie Champion Treasurer: Ann Brooks Secretary: Cindy Kapp Mike Hetrick Sexton: Josh Deitz **Sound Engineer:** Video Engineer: Dan Willy

Ruling Elders:

Class of 2025:Class of 2026:Class of 2027:Jeff DeitzNorma KoomanBill ChampionJeff KappDave LarimerMatt KurtasKurt NesbittCindy StantsKathy Larimer

Deacons:

Class of 2025:Class of 2026:Class of 2027:Kim LewisRobin CableBarb BeggsLee SeitzTamalyn GobleStacy HoffmanLori SmithJoey KunselmanBert Louder

WORSHIP NOTES

Acolytes:

Pastor: Rev. Rebecca Mihm

Lector: Jeff Kapp

Director of Music:Bonnie ChampionOrganist:Jean MitroskySound Engineer:Josh Deitz/Jeff KappVideo Engineer:Dan Willy/Kurt Nesbitt

Clara Stants, Jeremy Willy, Andrew Scovel,

Nathan Scovel, Sawyer Kunselman, Audrina Champion, Logan Myers

Ushers in Charge: Lori Smith, Tammy Huey, Bonnie and

Audrina Champion

Today's schedule

10:00 a.m. Worship 11:00 a.m. Sunday School 11:00 a.m. Choir rehearsal

WEEKLY DEPOSIT SUMMARY

12/21/25

\$3,914.00

Weekly Contributions	
Envelope Contributions	\$3,055.00
Miscellaneous Cash Contributions	\$229.00
Total Contributions	\$3,284.00
Weekly Donations	
Christmas Joy Offering	\$150.00
Caring Callers	\$25.00
Food Bags	\$235.00
Men's Fellowship	\$20.00
Music Fund	\$100.00
PMEF Donation	<u>\$100.00</u>
	\$630.00

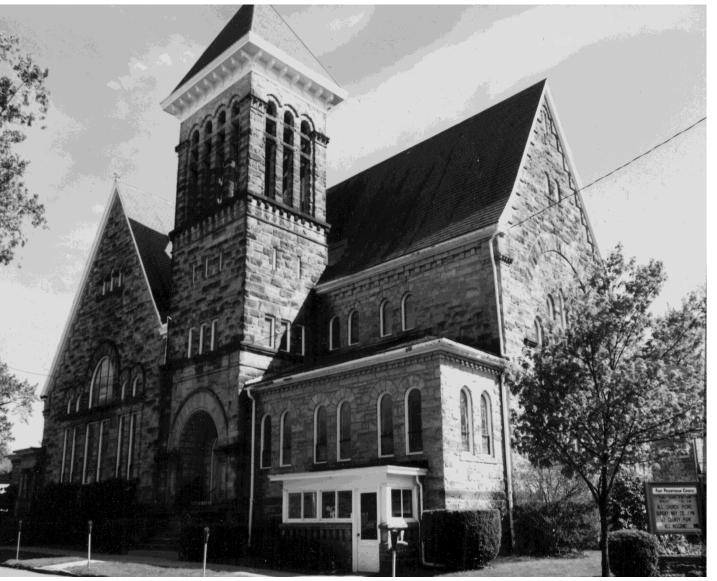
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First Presbyterian Church



1st Sunday Of Christmas December 28, 2025



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We come together to worship, grow, and serve as disciples of Christ.

We Gather in God's Name

(Tune your car radio to 88.7 FM) 1st Sunday of Christmas

Congregational Meeting

- Call to Order and Opening Prayer
- The order of the called meeting of the Congregation is: Election of an officer. Candidate: John Joy

Elder—3-year term

Welcome and Announcements

Lector, Jeff Kapp

Prelude Praeludium on "Coventry Carol" Thomas Bliss

Chiming of the Trinity

Please join in reading or singing those parts of the service printed in **bold**.

• When this symbol

or spirit.

precedes an element of the service, please rise in body

We silently shift our focus

to God and prepare to

worship.

Call to Worship

Praise God! With angels and hosts, we praise!

With the sun and moon, we praise!

With the fire and hail, we praise!

With the frost and snow, we praise!

With the mountains and valleys, we praise!

With the skies and the seas, we praise!

Hymn #140

Once in Royal David's City

†Call to Confession

†Prayer of Confession (Unison)

Ever present God, you became our Savior in all our distress. In all the ways we hurt others, in all the ways we feel neglected and all the ways we neglect others, in all the ways we cry out and all the ways we cause others to cry, you are with us, comforting us and holding us to account. In your love, redeem us once again. Lift us up and grant us your mercy, as you have throughout the generations. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.

GLORIA PATRI

to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost, as it was in the beginning is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen

Glory be to the Father, and | **Declaration of Forgiveness**

Friends, believe the Good News:

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

†Gloria Patri

We Share God's Word

Time with the Children Jeff Kapp

Prayer of Illumination

First Scripture Isaiah 63: 7-9 pg. 693

Matthew 2: 13-23 **Second Scripture** pg. 2

The words of scripture, inspired by God.

Thanks be to God.

After Christmas Morning Sermon

Organ Interlude

†Hymn No. 154

Jesus Entered Egypt

We Give Thanks to God

†Affirmation of Faith

6.114 The Westminster Confession of Faith

Rev. Rebecca Mihm

Prayer with thanksgiving, being one special part of religious worship, is by God required of all people; and that it may be accepted, it is to be made in the name of the Son, by the help of his Spirit, according to his will, with understanding, reverence, humility, fervency, faith, love, and perseverance.

Call for the Offering

Offering and Offertory

Were You There on That Christmas Night? Bert Louder and Dana Solida

†Doxology

† Prayer of Dedication

Ordination and Installation of Officers

John Joy, Glenn Beichner, Joyce Alberta

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

We Go Forth to Serve

†Hymn No. 143 Angels, from the Realms of Glory

†Charge and Benediction

Postlude Masters in This Hall Dan R. Edwards | Postlude

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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.

THE 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

Please remember at the close of the service, the Postlude is a time to silently reflect on God and the mission to which we are called. We ask that you please remain silent and seated until the music has ended.