
Second Sunday after the Epiphany

January 14, 2024

10:00 AM

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

CHIMING THE HOUR

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAYER OF APPROACH

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP (From Psalm 139)

Rheta Jenks, Liturgist

One: O LORD, you have searched me and known me.

All: You know when I sit down and when I rise up; you discern my thoughts from far away.

One: You search out my path and my lying down, and are acquainted with all my ways.

All: Even before a word is on my tongue, O LORD, you know it completely.

One: I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made.

All: Wonderful are your works; that I know very well.

One: Search me, God, and know my heart; test me and know my anxious thoughts.

All: See if there is any offensive way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting. Lead us all in the way everlasting, O LORD, as we worship you today!

*HYMN #434

“ Today We All Are Called to Be Disciples”

JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE and THE LORD’S PRAYER

CALL FOR THE OFFERING

The earth is the Lord’s and all that is in it, the world, and those who live in it. Let us return to God the offerings of our life and the gifts of the earth. Let us offer them with joy in our hearts and a deep sense of gratitude.

OFFERTORY

*DOXOLOGY HYMN #592

**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 (UNISON)

God of all wisdom, how often have we been deaf to your voice speaking to our hearts, especially when we move in a world that needs it so desperately? The reading from 1 Samuel brings us the phrase, “The word of the Lord was rare in those days,” which resonates with the relevance of the evening news. As we bring our gifts to be dedicated this morning, we pray that you might open our ears, open our hearts to hear where you call us to respond with obedience, so that we might do what you need to begin healing our world. In Christ, we pray. Amen.

*HYMN (Insert) “Jesus Calls Us”

*CHARGE

POSTLUDE

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*For those who are able, please stand.

First Presbyterian Church Baldwinsville, NY

January 14, 2024

- **Today's Ushers:** Tom Eckrote & Nancy Runyans
- **Coffee Hour:** today is hosted by Marty Pond
- **Choir Practice:** will be held at 9:15 each Sunday morning before Worship.
- **The Flowers:** in the Sanctuary today are provided by Fred and Virginia Miller.
- **Deacons:** Tuesday, January 16, 7 p.m. in the Media Center.
- **Session:** Wednesday, January 17, 7 p.m. in the Media Center.
- **Community Dinner:** Thursday, January 18, 4:00 – 5:15, Mid-Winter Picnic! This is a sit-down dinner with Take-out available.
- **The Annual Meeting** of the Congregation and Corporation of First Presbyterian Church, Baldwinsville will be held on Sunday, January 21, 2024 at 11:15 am in the sanctuary.



Remember in Your Prayers & Correspondence

Mark Chamberlin; Mimi Dundon;
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Identity Statement

We are a loving family of God, following Christ by practicing our legacy of worship, education, and mission to neighbors.

CALL TO CONFESSION

Jesus is able for all time to save those who approach God through him, since he always lives to make intercession for them. Please join me in our Prayer of Confession

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (UNISON) (By Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.)

O Thou Eternal God, out of whose absolute power and infinite intelligence the whole universe has come into being, we humbly confess that we have not loved thee with our hearts, souls and minds, and we have not loved our neighbors as Christ loved us. We have all too often lived by our own selfish impulses rather than by the life of sacrificial love as revealed by Christ. We often give in order to receive. We love our friends and hate our enemies. We go the first mile but dare not travel the second. We forgive but dare not forget. And so as we look within ourselves, we are confronted with the appalling fact that the history of our lives is the history of an eternal revolt against you. But thou, O God, have mercy upon us. Forgive us for what we could have been but failed to be. Give us the intelligence to know your will. Give us the courage to do your will. Give us the devotion to love thy will. In the name and spirit of Jesus we pray. Amen.

One: Now that we have confessed as a body, let us take the truths that have troubled our hearts to God silently. Let us not be worried about the awkwardness of silence, as we take some time to focus on speaking with our God.

SILENT REFLECTION

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE: Gloria Patri #579

*PASSING OF THE PEACE:

One: Since God has forgiven us in Christ, let us forgive one another. The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

All: And also with you.

One: Let us share signs of peace with one another.

WE HEAR AND REFLECT ON GOD’S WORD

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON 1 Samuel 3:1-10, (11-20) *Liturgist*
red Bible p.341, black Bible p.247

MUSICAL OFFERING

EPISTLE READING 1 Corinthians 6:12-20
Rev. Kirsty Dickson-Maret
red Bible p. 1392, black Bible p. 169

GOSPEL LESSON John 1:43-51 *Rev. Kirsty Dickson-Maret*
red Bible p. 1290, black Bible p. 92

SERMON “Come and See” *Rev. Kirsty Dickson-Maret*

WE OFFER OUR LIVES TO GOD

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH The 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 rose 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 #2130 “The Summons”