Third Sunday after the Epiphany

January 21, 2024 10:00 AM

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

CHIMING THE HOUR

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAYER OF APPROACH

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP (From Psalm 62)

Andy Brussel, Liturgist

One: Truly my soul finds rest in God; my salvation comes from him.

All: Truly he is my rock and my salvation; he is my fortress, I will never be shaken.

One: Yes, my soul, find rest in God; my hope comes from him.

All: Truly he is my rock and my salvation; he is my fortress, I will not be shaken.

One: My salvation and my honor depend on God; he is my mighty rock, my refuge.

All: Trust in him at all times, you people; pour out your hearts to him, for God is our refuge.

One: One thing God has spoken, two things I have heard: "Power belongs to you, God, and with you, Lord, is unfailing love;"

All: and "You reward everyone according to what they have done." We come to worship you today with reverence and we awe!

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)

Generous God, we ask you to bless the gifts we give this morning. We ask that you help grow the trust in us so that we might follow without looking back and we might leave behind more of our old lives to experience more deeply new life in you. Help us to leave our nets on the shore and leave those things that seemed essential before we heard the call, so that we might travel the road you have put before us. In the name of Christ who goes before us and beside us, we pray. Amen.

*HYMN #525 "Here I Am Lord

*CHARGE

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

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*For those who are able, please stand.

- Today's Ushers: Heidi Henderson & Pam Keckison
- Coffee Hour: today is hosted by Nancy Runyans
- **Choir Practice:** will be held at 9:15 each Sunday morning before Worship.
- **The Annual Meeting** of the Congregation and Corporation of First Presbyterian Church, Baldwinsville will be held today at 11:15 am in the sanctuary.
- **Gospel of John Bible Study:** will now be held on Mondays at 4:30, beginning Jan 22nd, in the Media Center.
- **Leader's Summit**: Please join Cayuga-Syracuse Presbytery on Saturday Feb 3, from 9-2 at Northminster Presbyterian Church in N. Syracuse. All Elders are invited to attend.

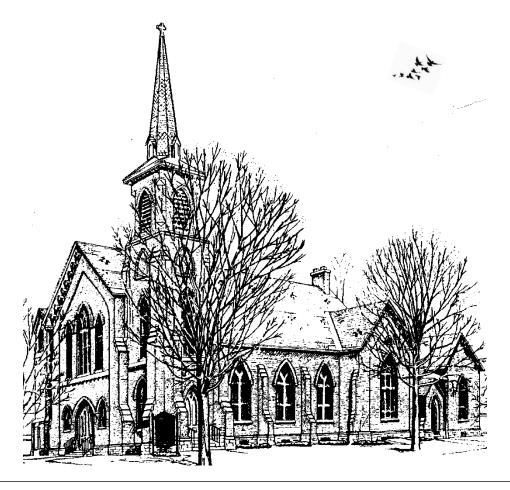
Remember in Your Prayers & Correspondence

Mark Chamberlin; Mimi Dundon; Howard Rose; Sandy Smith; Anthonia Todd

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First Presbyterian Church Baldwinsville, NY

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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

We come before God not as despised sinners, but as beloved children. With the confidence of children of God, let us humbly confess our sin. Please join me in our Prayer of Confession

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (UNISON)

Dear Lord, we are quick to say that we could never respond to Your call the way that the first disciples did. We hold on firmly to things that we should give up in order to best follow You.

Thank you for Your persistence Lord. You continuously call us into our own ministry and mission in this world. You see our doubts when we prefer to place conditions on our service to you.

You call out to each of us, even when we say true discipleship is too hard.

Forgive us, Lord, for the very many times we tune out Your call. Forgive us when we do not share with the hopeless the saving grace that they will find in knowing You. Forgive us when we do not pray daily for better ways to serve You. Move us, O Lord, toward meaningful service to You in this world - either gently or with a jolt! 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 Jonah 3:1-5, 10

red Bible p.1122, black Bible p.860

MUSICAL OFFERING

EPISTLE READING 1 Corinthians 7:29-31

Rev. Kirsty Dickson-Maret

Lituraist

red Bible p. 1393, black Bible p. 170

GOSPEL LESSON Mark 1:14-20 *Rev. Kirsty Dickson-Maret*

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SERMON "Heading for Tarshish?" **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 #377 "Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore"

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