

FIRST UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)

WORSHIP FOR THE LORD'S DAY

January 29, 2012

*Indicates those who find it comfortable may stand

**Please turn off all pagers and cell phones before worship begins

It is our hope and prayer that all who enter this place of worship will be feel warmly welcomed
in the name of our Lord and Savior, Jesus the Christ!

Please use the time before worship to greet one another in the joy and gladness!

STRIKING OF THE CHIMES

When the chimes are struck, worship begins! Please end your conversations with those around you and turn your attention toward the One who sent His son into the world to be our life and our light!

GREETING, WELCOMING AND CALLING OURSELVES TO WORSHIP

Leader: Good Morning! Welcome to the House of the Lord!

May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you this day...and always!

People: And also with you!

Leader: This is the day which the Lord has made!

People: So let us rejoice and be glad in it!

Leader: We are here to worship God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit!

People: So come! Let us quiet our voices and open our hearts as we come before the Lord, our God, in worship and in praise!

WORSHIPING GOD THROUGH MUSIC (Prelude) *"Prayer"* -Dennis Eliot

BRINGING IN THE WORD OF GOD AND THE LIGHT OF CHRIST (Acolytes)

SEEKING GOD'S PRESENCE IN SONG (Choral Introit) The Chancel Choir

SEEKING GOD'S PRESENCE IN PRAYER

PRAYING THE PRAYER OF JESUS (Contemporary)

Our Father, who is in heaven, Holy is Your name!

Your kingdom come, Your 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 Yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever, Amen!

*SINGING TO THE GLORY OF GOD *"Sing Praise to God"* (Vss. 1, 3 & 4) Number 483

SHARING TOGETHER AS A COMMUNITY OF FAITH

SHARING OF GREETINGS, ANNOUNCEMENTS, JOYS AND CONCERNS

(During the time of fellowship, please warmly greet those around you, sharing with them the joy of Christian fellowship within Christ's Family of Faith! Also, please sign the friendship pads found on the end of each row, that we might know of your presence with us this morning!)

SHARING WITH THE YOUNG FOLKS

SHARING IN THE ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

-Review and Approval of the Annual Report

-Election of Vance Holloway for a Three Year Term on the Endowment Board

-Consideration of Other Business

SHARING OUR GIFTS AND OFFERINGS

Invitation to Sharing

Playing to the Glory of God (Offertory) *"Sonatina for Sunday"* -Fred Binckes

*Singing in Grateful Praise *"Give Thanks With a Grateful Heart"* -H. Smith

Give thanks, with a grate-ful heart, Give thanks to the Ho-ly One!

Give thanks be-cause He's giv-en Je-sus Christ, H-is son!

And now, let the weak say, "I am strong!" Let the poor say, "I am rich!"

Be-cause of what the Lord has done fo-r us! Give thanks! Give thanks! Give thanks!

*Praying in Thanksgiving

SHARING THE GIFT OF MUSIC (Anthem) *"Lord, Keep Us Closer to You"* -Besig/Price

In the quiet of this moment, here in this holy place,

Help us feel Your presence, Lord; help us know Your grace.

Renew each spirit, heal ev'ry soul. Come and touch us with Your love and make us whole.

In the fellowship together, friendship and love have grown.

Keep us ever faithful, Lord, Claim us as Your own.

Grant us Your mercy, calm ev'ry fear, There is peace within our hearts when You are near.

Lord, as we turn to You, humbly we pray. Help us to trust in You; Show us Your way.

O Lord, in all we say and do, keep us our whole life through,

Closer to You, Closer to You!

In the troubled world around us, help us to share Your light

Walk along beside us Lord, Keep us in Your sight, Guide ev'ry footstep, Help us to be true.

Draw us closer ev'ry day. Give us strength to live in faith and follow You!

SHARING THE WORD OF THE LORD

HEARING THE WORD OF THE LORD	Matthew 16:13-18	Pew Bible p. 1156
	John 20:19-22	p. 1298
	Acts 1: 6-9; 2:1-4	p. 1302
	1 Corinthians 12:12-27	p. 1381

AFFIRMING THE WORD OF THE LORD

Leader: Friends, I invite you to rejoice and give thanks, for this is the Word of the Lord!

People: Thanks be to God!

SINGING IN MEDITATION

“Day by Day” (from Godspell)

Day by day, day by day, Oh, dear Lord, three things I pray:
To see Thee more clear-ly, Love Thee more dear-ly, Fol-low Thee more near-ly,
Day by day -- (Repeat)

PRAYING FOR THE GUIDING PRESENCE OF GOD’S HOLY SPIRIT

SHARING SOME THOUGHTS ON GOD’S WORD

The State of the Church!

MEDITATING GOD’S WORD

RESPONDING TO THE WORD OF THE LORD

SINGING IN COMMITMENT

“Called as Partners”
(Sung at a LIVELY tempo!)

(Vss. 1, 2 & 4) Number 343

*GOING FORTH WITH A CHARGE & A BLESSING (Benediction)

*GOING FORTH IN SONG (Choral Blessing)

“Go In the Grace of the Lord”

Go in the grace of the Lord! Walk in the way of His Word!
Stand in the strength of His promises, and believe in your heart they are true!
Sit at the feet of the Savior! Pray in the power of the Spirit!
Rise – and run the race with patience! And go in the grace of the Lord!
Go in hope, God’s hope! Go in peace, God’s peace! Go in joy, everlasting joy,
As you live in the fullness of His love. Go in the grace of the Lord!

*SHARING A MOMENT OF QUIET MEDITATION

*GOING FORTH WITH MUSIC (Postlude)

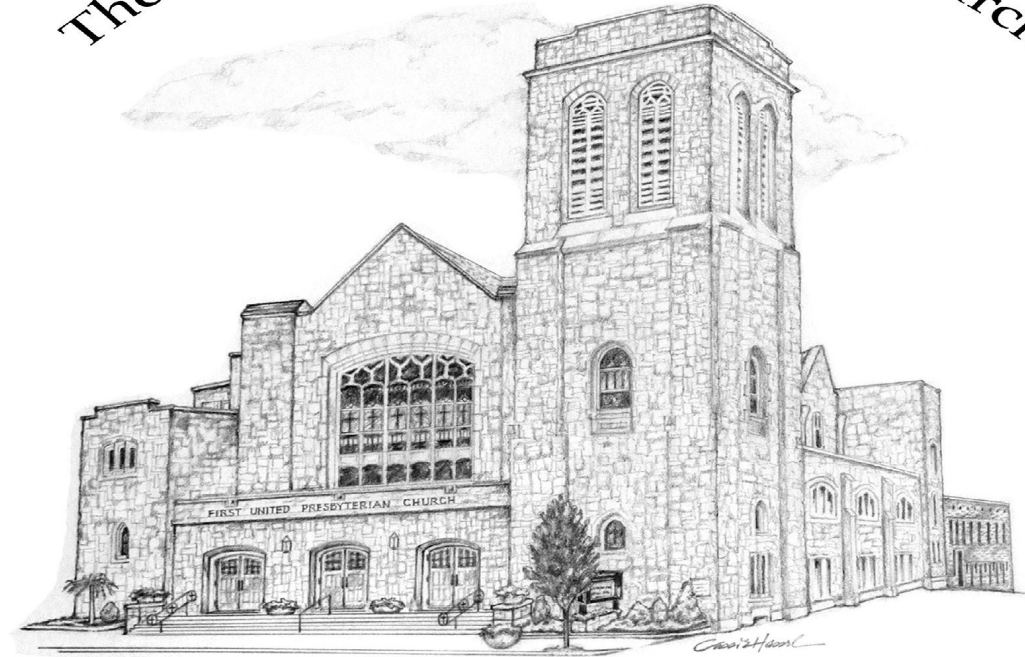
“Finale”

-Gilbert Martin

FIRST UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH extends a warm and joyous *“Welcome!”* to **ALL** who have joined us for worship on this joyous Lord’s Day! Our hope and prayer is that as we share together during our time of worship, we may each know more fully and completely the blessing of God’s love, grace and mercy which comes to us in Him who is God’s light and life for us all! Whether you are a first time guest, an occasional visitor, or with us every Sunday, please know you are ALWAYS welcome within the 1st UPC Community of Faith!

The Rosebud on the Communion Table this morning is in celebration of the birth of **Carlee Mae Simmons**, granddaughter of **Jan Lambert**, who was born several months ago in Tennessee to Jan’s daughter Stephanie Simmons. Congratulations Jan and family!

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*“Reaching Out to Nurture God’s People
With the Good News of Christ’s Love”*

SHARING IN THE MINISTRY OF 1ST UPC

Ministry Partners	Members & Friends of the Church
Coordinator of Parish Nursing	Phyllis Lyons
Coordinator of Pastoral Partners	Marty Marine
Clerk of Session	Bridgett Hawkins
Moderator of the Board of Deacons	Ryan Lane
Moderator of Presbyterian Women	Krista Adelsberger
Custodian	Ralph Morrison
Secretary	Julie McCarthy
Treasurer	Sue Dearwester
Nursery Attendants	Deb and Kent Amey
Handbell Choir Director	Cindy Jenkins
Choir Directors	Bob Day and Cindy Jenkins
Organist	Thomas Boone
Director of Christian Education and Youth Ministry	JoAnne Sharp
Pastor	Rob Fulton

Greeting You Before Worship: East Entrance: Nate & Becky Weber West Entrance: the Kite Family
Serving as Ushers: Margaret Appel, Frank Turner, Audrey Hurley, Toby & Jennifer Oelker, Betty Lloyd, Steve Cox, Adam Wunderle and Betty Kindell

Serving as Sound Tech: Eric Caughenbaugh
Serving as Acolytes: Lindi Smith & Madilyn Jackson
Serving in the Nursery: The Ameys

Preschool: JoAnn Clark
West: Elder Anne Brienza

If you are interested in learning more about faith in and discipleship to the Lord Jesus Christ, or about exploring membership within First United Presbyterian Church, please speak with Pastor Rob or one of the Elder Greeters TODAY! It would be our JOY to welcome you into the 1st UPC Family of Faith on our next New Member Sunday or at any time that is convenient for you! Please let Rob or the Elders know of your interest!

AT FIRST UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, we believe that worship is a time for ALL MEMBERS OF THE CHURCH FAMILY to come together to hear God’s word and sing God’s praise! Therefore, ALL CHILDREN OF GOD, no matter what their age, are welcomed during our service of worship! Parents are encouraged to help their children engage in QUIET ACTIVITIES during the service that will not interfere with the worship participation of those seated nearby. Also, please visit the restrooms prior to worship and pick up QUIET ACTIVITY BAGS on your way INTO the sanctuary. WELCOME ONE AND ALL!

THE CHURCH NURSERY for children birth through kindergarten is located on the lower level of the building, down the west stairs from the sanctuary. Please ask the ushers for directions. Children in 1st grade and older are encouraged and expected to worship with their families in the sanctuary.

OUR “WE CARE” POSTER today is for **PATTI NELSON, KELLY KITE and families** following the death of their mother and grandmother, Pat Goske, this past Wednesday at Green Hills...and also for **PATTI** in advance of her surgery tomorrow following a diagnosis of breast cancer. Please sign the We Care Posters in the hallway and let **Patti and family** know they are in our thoughts and prayers and that **WE CARE** about them!

THOSE NEEDING OUR SPECIAL PRAYERS THIS WEEK:
(Bold print indicates new additions or changes in status of those listed previously)
Fellow church members with health & family problems and employment issues
Our Confirmation Class: Connor Adelsberger, Sage Caughenbaugh, Jenna Champion, Kaitey Chervenak, Caroline Eader, Jenna Fannin, Devin Fowler, Drew Jackson, Derek McCracken, Lindi Smith and Taylor Turner...and Leaders JoAnne Smith and Woody Amidon

Patti Nelson, surgery tomorrow at MRH following diagnosis of breast cancer
Brian Murdock, continuing recuperation at home following hip surgery
Brad Flora, began new round of chemo treatment last week
Lyle Moyer, undergoing daily preventative radiation treatments
Kirsten Chervenak, studying in London, 22 Douglas Road, Kingston, Surrey KT1 3PR, United Kingdom Email: kcherven09@mail.bw.edu
Conrad Lambert, Audrey Lambert’s son, hospitalized at MRH
Rick Saunders, June Coil’s son, hospitalized at St. Rita’s, Lima with severe diabetes
Francie Fund, friend of Sue Dearwester, surgery on Tuesday
Peggy Sikora, friend of the Wunderles in Texas, brain cancer
 Bill Maybrook, Scott Costin’s uncle in Florida, end stages of Lou Gehrig’s disease
 Joy Delapena, BHS friend of Courtney Chervenak, diagnosed with leukemia
 Ruth Irwin, moving to Green Hills Inn in the coming days
 Elaine Hess Keller, daughter of Mark and Carol, high risk pregnancy with twins
 Pat Opel, neighbors of Louise Gordon, dealing with liver disease

Presby Book Club News: Our February meeting will be at Lois McKenzie’s home (233 Terrance, Blf.) at 7pm on **Mon. Feb. 20th**. The February selection will be "The Book Thief" by Markus Zasad.

The **First Friday Gang** will NOT meet February 3...instead they will meet **February 10** from 6:30-8:00...all 4 and 5 graders are invited to join us for an evening of learning, fellowship and fun...don't forget to bring a friend or two!

WN@P Returns!!!

WN@P returns on Wednesday, February 8th!
 Gathering time is from 5:15 to 5:30
 Dinner service begins at 5:30
 Small Group Time begins at 6:00

The Christian Education team is providing dinner on the 8th...they will be serving Roast Beef sandwiches with Mac and Cheese, chips and assorted desserts.

There is something for everybody, so come join us!

WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK AT 1ST UPC

Deacons "On Call": Marilyn and Jennifer Crisler

1st UPC IN FAITH AND ACTION FOR THE WEEK of Jan. 29, 2012 – Feb. 5, 2012

Sun., Jan. 29, Pray for Oakland Presbyterian Church / Read Mark 1:21-28

9:30a.m. Experience the Word – Experience the Community *4th Sunday after the Epiphany*
10:45 a.m. Worship
Annual Congregational Meeting
Combined Senior High & Mid High Youth meeting

Mon., Jan. 30, Pray for Jerry & Joanne Ritter / Read Exod. 33:12-23 *Moses intercedes for Israel*

Tues., Jan. 31, Pray for Virginia Shafer / Read Exod. 34:1-9 *God instructs Moses to make 2 new tablets*

Dinner @ the Prez

Wed., Feb. 1, Pray for Julie & Ben Sailors / Read Deut. 10:12-22

A summary of the law

7pm Session meeting

Thurs., Feb. 2, Pray for JoAnne Sharp / Read Isa. 40:21-31

Wait for the Lord

Choir Practices

Friday, Feb. 3, Pray for Rose Shoemaker / Read Ps. 147:1-11, 20c *Praise for God's gracious care*

Sat., Feb. 4, Pray for the Shumaker Family / Read 1 Cor. 9:16-23 *Paul's pledge to preach the gospel*

Sun., Feb. 5, Pray for the 1st UPC Family of Faith / Read Mark 1:29-39

9:30a.m. Experience the Word – Experience the Community *5th Sunday after the Epiphany*
10:45 a.m. Worship
1st Sunday Coffee hour & Blood Pressure Checks
Senior High Youth meeting

Celebrating Birthdays This Week:

Jan. 31: Holly Core, Carolyn Fitzpatrick, Matt Core & Kelly Kite

Feb. 1: Dave Haw

Feb. 3: Adelyn Hankins & Olivia Eader

Feb. 4: Bryon Fullerton & Ethan Wisse

A Note for Evelyn Jones Wood (whose husband, Alun Jones, was pastor of 1st Presbyterian Church from 1948-1961) *"My heartfelt love to all for your remembrance of We Care for my 97th birthday!" Lovingly, Evelyn Jones Wood*

DINNER AT THE PREZ! This Tuesday! **HELP NEEDED!** 1st UPC has the joyous opportunity to reach out and serve the Bellefontaine community again this Tuesday when we host DINNER AT THE PREZ! Lots of help is needed! Our menu will be: Ham & Beans, Cornbread, Applesauce and Pie for dessert. We need **25 pies** (ALL kinds welcome!!) as well as preparers, servers and those able to help with clean-up. If you can help or donate a pie, please let Ranae Lentz know. Thanks!

Midweek Lenten Book Study Beginning Wednesday, February 8th

11:30 am - 12:30 pm

SIMPLY
JESUS

A New Vision of
Who He Was, What He Did,
and Why He Matters

Bible scholar, Anglican bishop, and best selling author N.T. Wright summarizes a lifetime of study about Jesus and the New Testament in order to present a new vision of who Jesus was...and IS. In *Simply Jesus* we are invited to hear one of the leading scholars of our time introduce the story of the carpenter's son from Nazareth as if we are hearing it for the first time! "Jesus – the Jesus we discover if we really looked," explains Wright, "is larger, more disturbing, more urgent than we ever imagined." As the church faces the many challenges of the 21st Century, Wright presents, in a very readable way, a vision of Jesus that more than meets them.

Study books are for \$16 each and are available in the church office. Please stop by, sign up and pick up a copy! Make sure to read the first chapter for Wednesday, February 8th!! COME AND JOIN OUR LIVELY DISCUSSION!



Sweetheart Dinner

Friday, February 17, 2012

The evening begins at 6:30 pm

Invite your Sweetheart(s) and enjoy an evening of fine food and entertainment hosted by

The High School Youth Group

Proceeds from this evening will help with the costs of the mission trip to West Virginia this summer.

Senior Highs will begin taking reservations on Sunday, January 29 after Worship. There will be a table set up down in the Gym and also in the Front entrance for your convenience.

We look forward to seeing you and thank you in advance for your support.

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