

First Presbyterian Church

Rev. Scott McGinnis, Pastor
Helen Wild, Organist
Kristin Kliewer, Piano

10:30 a.m. ~ February 27, 2022

PH = The Presbyterian Hymnal LUYH = Lift Up Your Hearts Songbook
***Congregation invited to stand, if able.**

PRELUDE Happy Are They Who Walk With the Lord

CONGREGATIONAL LIFE Welcome, Announcements, Guests,
Prayer Requests

***CALL TO WORSHIP (Read in unison)**
God of the lost, the least, and all who long for home, when we wander from Your ways, You welcome us back, so that we may celebrate and rejoice in Your house forever; all this through Jesus Christ your beloved Son. Amen.

***LORD'S PRAYER (Pray in unison)**
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

***HYMN** All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name **PH#142**

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION & ASSURANCE OF PARDON (Recite in unison)**
Lord God, Almighty and everlasting Father, You have brought us in safety to this new day: Preserve us with Your mighty power, that we may not fall into sin, nor be overcome by adversity. We ask for forgiveness for our sins with confidence in Jesus that You promise to forgive. In all we do direct us to the fulfilling of Your purpose; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

***CHORAL REPONSE** Gloria Patri **PH#579**
Glory be to the Father and 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!

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE Mary McGehee
(After Children's Message, children 2 years through 2nd grade are welcomed to join Lil' Worship Warriors downstairs.)

SPECIAL MUSIC There is a Higher Throne Keith & Kristyn Getty
Kristin Kliewer: Soloist/Piano

SCRIPTURE Revelation 11:1-18 John Higgs
Leader: This is the Word of the Lord
People: Thanks be to God

MESSAGE The Hope of Jesus' Return: Pastor Scott McGinnis
Turn Around to Grace

***HYMN** Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun **PH#423**

***BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE Rise Up and Serve the Lord

GOD'S TITHES AND OUR OFFERINGS (Please place you offering in the offering plates located at the back of the sanctuary)

Today @NFPC

9:15 am: Sunday School for all ages
During Worship: Lil' Worship Warriors

150 Years

Wear Retro/Historic Church Attire

Worship Team

Greeter: Linda Benninga
Ushers: John and Joan Stretcher
Lay Reader: John Higgs
Live Stream: Larry Trussell
Audio: Mike Enz

This Week @NFPC

Monday, February 28th

7:00 pm: Newton Chorale in FH

Wednesday, March 2nd

Ash Wednesday: Lenten Season begins.

10:00 am: Audiobook Club in Common Ground; we are going to start a new book to listen and study, on the Lenten season: come join us.

Thursday, March 3rd

10:00 am :PW Coordinating Team meets in FH.

7:00 pm: Operations and Nurture Teams meet

***The Salvation Army is in need of the following items:

Soups: both condensed and ready to eat, pasta sauce, canned corn,
Hamburger Helper, Tuna Helper and Laundry soaps. ****

SOUPER BOWL OF CARING

Thank you all so much for your donations for our "SOUPER" Bowl of Caring Sunday. We raised \$173.00 for the Harvest of Love. The breakdown went like this: Cincinnati Bengals = \$113.00, Commercials = \$43.00 and LA Rams = \$17.00.

Thank you all for making a touchdown for our Harvest of Love.

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**The Hope of Jesus' Return:
*Turn Around to Grace***

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Revelation 11:1-18 (NASB)

The Two Witnesses

11 Then there was given to me a measuring rod like a staff; and someone said, "Get up and measure the temple of God and the altar, and those who worship in it. 2 Leave out the courtyard which is outside the temple and do not measure it, because it has been given to the nations; and they will trample the holy city for forty-two months. 3 And I will grant authority to my two witnesses, and they will prophesy for 1,260 days, clothed in sackcloth." 4 These are the two olive trees and the two lampstands that stand before the Lord of the earth. 5 And if anyone wants to harm them, fire flows out of their mouth and devours their enemies; and so if anyone wants to harm them, he must be killed in this way. 6 These have the power to shut up the sky, so that rain will not fall during the days of their prophesying; and they have power over the waters to turn them into blood, and to strike the earth with every plague, as often as they desire. 7 When they have finished their testimony, the beast that comes up out of the abyss will make war with them, and overcome them and kill them. 8 And their dead bodies will lie on the street of the great city which spiritually is called Sodom and Egypt, where also their Lord was crucified. 9 Those from the peoples, tribes, languages, and nations will look at their dead bodies for three and a half days, and will not allow their dead bodies to be laid in a tomb. 10 And those who live on the earth will rejoice over them and celebrate; and they will send gifts to one another, because these two prophets tormented those who live on the earth. 11 And after the three and a half days, the breath of life from God came into them, and they stood on their feet; and great fear fell upon those who were watching them. 12 And they heard a loud voice from heaven saying to them, "Come up here." And they went up into heaven in the cloud, and their enemies watched them. 13 And at that time there was a great earthquake, and a tenth of the city fell; seven thousand people were killed in the earthquake, and the rest were terrified and gave glory to the God of heaven. 14 The second woe has passed; behold, the third woe is coming quickly.

The Seventh Trumpet: Christ's Reign Foreseen

15 Then the seventh angel sounded; and there were loud voices in heaven, saying, "The kingdom of the world has become the kingdom of our Lord and of His Christ; and He will reign forever and ever." 16 And the twenty-four elders, who sit on their thrones before God, fell on their faces and worshiped God, 17 saying, "We give You thanks, Lord God, the Almighty, the One who is and who was, because You have taken Your great power and have begun to reign. 18 And the nations were enraged, and Your wrath came, and the time came for the dead to be judged, and the time to reward Your bond-servants the prophets and the saints and those who fear Your name, the small and the great, and to destroy those who destroy the earth."

150 Years Old

The countdown has begun for our 150th Birthday!! Last Sunday we found out that the President 150 years ago was President Ulysses S. Grant. This Sunday we could wear retro/historic church attire. Next Sunday we will get to see a skit. We also got to hear some wonderful church memories from Beth Darrow. If you want to write a memory down and share it with the congregation just let Beth Darrow know and you can share it or she will read it for you if getting up in front is not your thing. Let's make this countdown be full of wonderful memories as well as making new memories.

Memories

Are you wondering what kind of memories you should share?

1: What is your first memory of this church?

2: What is your favorite time of year at this church?

3: Do you have a favorite memory of any members of this church?

Let's start with these 3!!

This is Mary McGehee and I am going to share with you some memories about the above 3 questions:

Greg and I moved to Kansas in 1994. We tried 2 Methodist churches and it just wasn't a good fit for us and our 1 year old daughter Rachelle. I was raised Presbyterian, so we came here to the First Presbyterian Church and was greeted by a wonderful lady named Ada Mae Haury. Ada Mae visited with us and showed us where the nursery was. We were glad to see other children our daughter's age and she went willingly in. What really sold us to this church was when we came back the next week, we were greeted again by Ada Mae and she remembered our names including Rachelle's. We felt so welcomed and we felt this is home for us. Over the years, Ada Mae became one of my most cherished church family members. She always greeted us and would talk to the kids as well. She got me involved in Presbyterian Women and helped me become a Circle Leader and eventually the PW Moderator. I loved her smile and her knowledge of the Bible. She will always hold a very special place in my heart.

My favorite time of the year in our church was Vacation Bible School. I loved being able to reach out to the community children and teach them more about God and Jesus. I loved acting out the skits and learning the new songs. It was fun to see our church come alive with lots of kids.