

Communion Prayer and 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.

Words of Institution

Great is the mystery of faith:
Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Communing in Christ
Prayer of Thanks

Communion Meditation

Meditation on "I Wonder As I Wander" arranged by Jan Sanborn
"Greensleeves" arranged by Richard Purvis



BENEDICTION

*Response

Blessed be the LORD I AM, who is Father, Son and Holy Spirit, amen!

Postlude

"Joy to the World" arranged by Michael Burkhardt



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome. We are glad you're here. If you are visiting with us, please use the Visitor Card in the pew racks, our church app (FPCBR in the App Store) or online at fpibr.org/connect.

Prayer Requests. We'd love to pray for you. Prayer requests may be sent to prayer@fpibr.org, through the church app or by filling out a card in the pew rack.

MDO and Preschool Registration for 2022-2023 opens for our church members on Monday, January 24. Contact Whitney Weiner at mdu@fpibr.org or 225.620.0245 for more information.

Discover First Dinner January 30. Discover First Dinners are an opportunity to learn more about the mission and ministry of First Presbyterian Church in a smaller setting. Our next dinner is Sunday, January 30. Please contact Jaci Gaspard to RSVP (jaci@fpibr.org).

Polar Thang! Take the plunge and join us January 14-16 for our annual middle school retreat. Register online via the Student Ministries tab at fpibr.org. Registration deadline has been extended to Tuesday, January 4.

"God in Skin and Time: Jesus As Beloved Son" is a Christmas article by Gerrit published on desiringgod.org. Hard copies are available at the Connection Center.

Loving Our rEcess Families!! Once a month volunteers spend a few hours playing with the children of families affected by disability while parents enjoy a night out. We need prayer for this vulnerable group and hands on volunteers. Contact Jess Concienne if you would like to participate in monthly rEcess (jess.concienne@gmail.com or 225.892.3212).

Need a Pastor After Hours? Would you like to reach a pastor after hours? Please call the church office (387.0617) and press 5 to be connected to the pastor on call.

Give Online. Visit fpibr.org or go to the church app to make your gift online. You may also give through the U.S. mail. Email prayer@fpibr.org if you have online giving questions.

Scripture for Next Week: Psalm 1

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ORDER of WORSHIP

January 2, AD 2022

11 am

The 9th Day of Christmas



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GATHERING TO PRAISE

Assisting Pastor: Gerrit Dawson

Prelude

“Angels from the Realms of Glory” (Regent Square) arranged by Michael Burkhardt
Steve Gustafson, accompanist

*Welcome and Call to Worship

From Psalm 95

Oh come, let us sing to the LORD; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!
Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!

For the LORD is a great God, and a great King above all gods.
In his hand are the depths of the earth; the heights of the mountains are his also.

The sea is his, for he made it, and his hands formed the dry land.
Oh come, let us worship and bow down;

Let us kneel before the LORD, our Maker!
For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand.

*Hymn of Praise

No. 58 “This Is My Father’s World”

TERRA BEATA

*Blessing God

Scriptural Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Another Christmas has passed, dear Father. Did it pass us by? We were so busy with comings and goings. We were so laden with gift-giving and so full of indulgence. Our expectations were so high; our love and kindness so lacking. We heard the story and sang the songs, but our minds were often elsewhere. Forgive us! Grant that this day, before it is too late and Christmas is gone, we may see the Christ-child and know him as our Lord. Amen.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

*Response

**No more let sins and sorrows grow, nor thorns infest the ground;
He comes to make his blessings flow
Far as the curse is found, far as the curse is found,
Far as, far as the curse is found.**

*Greeting and Announcements

Children Kindergarten and younger may go to Children’s Church.

Offertory

“Tomorrow Shall Be My Dancing Day” (Traditional English Carol)
Lauren Honea, soprano

Tomorrow shall be my dancing day;
I would my true love did so chance to see the legend of my play
To call my true love to my dance;

Sing O, my love! O my love!
This have I done for my true love.

Then was I born of virgin pure, of her I took fleshly substance;
Thus was I knit to man’s nature, to call my true love to my dance;

In a manger laid and wrapped I was, so very poor this was my chance
Betwixt an ox and a silly poor ass, to call my true love to my dance;

Then afterwards baptized I was; the Holy Ghost on me did glance,
My Father’s voice heard from above, to call my true love to my dance.

Please place your prayer requests and offerings in the plate as it is passed.

*Response Doxology

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heav’nly host;
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

*Prayer of Dedication



PROCLAIMING THE WORD

*Hymn of Preparation

No. 455 “Come, All Christians, Be Committed”

ANTIOCH

Time with God’s Word

Prayer for Illumination

Luke 10: 38-42

Now as they went on their way, Jesus entered a village. And a woman named Martha welcomed him into her house. And she had a sister called Mary, who sat at the Lord’s feet and listened to his teaching. But Martha was distracted with much serving. And she went up to him and said, “Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to serve alone? Tell her then to help me.” But the Lord answered her, “Martha, Martha, you are anxious and troubled about many things, but one thing is necessary. Mary has chosen the good portion, which will not be taken away from her.”

The secret things belong to the LORD our God.

**But what has been revealed belongs to us, and to our children forever.
That we may do all the words of this law.**

Sermon

Jim Solomon

“A New Year A True You”



RESPONDING TO THE WORD

Time of Reflection

*Hymn of Response

“Before the Throne of God Above”



LORD’S SUPPER

Sacrament of Communion

The Exchange of Love

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Lift up your hearts!
We lift them up unto the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give God thanks and praise.

OLD HUNDREDTH

BEACH SPRING