

JANUARY 1, 2023



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PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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JANUARY 1, 2023

10:30 AM

EPIPHANY SUNDAY

Welcome to the house of the Lord! May God's grace and peace fill you.

PRELUDE

STRIKING THE HOUR

GREETING

CONCERNS OF THE CONGREGATION

Announcements

Prayer Concerns

INTROIT

GOOD CHRISTIAN FRIENDS REJOICE! Chancel Choir

CALL TO WORSHIP

L: Arise, shine; for your light has come!

P: **The glory of God has risen upon us**

L: Tell the good news throughout the earth;

P: **The saving grace of Jesus Christ is for all.**

L: Come and adore the Savior of the nations.

P: **We offer the gifts of our lives to the Lord**

L: Let us worship God!

HYMN ***WE THREE KINGS (VS 1 & 5)*** **CH 288**

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of glory, you sent Jesus among us as the light of the world, to reveal your love for all people. We confess that our sin and pride hide the brightness of your light. We turn away from the poor; we ignore cries for justice; we do not strive for peace. In your mercy, cleanse us of our sin, and pour out the gifts of your Spirit, that, forgiven and renewed, we may show forth your glory shining in the face of Jesus Christ.

SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

L: The mercy of the Lord is like rain,

P: **Like showers that water the earth**

L: In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

P: Thanks be to God.

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Holy Child of Bethlehem

Holy Child of Bethlehem, come down to us we pray;
Forgive our sin, and enter in; Be born in us today. Amen.

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.

OFFERING

Offertory

One Small Child

DOXOLOGY

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

ANTHEM *Jesus, the Light of the World*

Chancel Choir

CHILDREN'S SERMON

HYMN *As With Gladness Men of Old (vs. 1, 3 & 4)* CH 290

OT LESSON

Genesis 2:1-3

NT LESSON

Matthew 11:28-30

SERMON Celebrating the New Year and Sabbath!

Pam Snyder

HYMN

Another Year Is Dawning

CH 811

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

BENEDICTION RESPONSE *Emmanuel* Chancel Choir

POSTLUDE

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

Today **January 1, 2023**

10:30 AM Worship

NO Chancel Choir Practice

Greeters & Ushers: Rick & Dara Myrah and 2 more
needed

Monday **January 2, 2023**

10 AM PW Coordinating Team will meet in the
parlor. Sue Gochenour has devotions.

Thursday **January 5, 2023**

NO Handbell Choir Practice

Next Sunday **January 8, 2023**

10:30 AM Worship

Greeters & Ushers: All are needed

PRAYERS

Prayer Concerns

Linda Licklitter

Roger Harris

Nita Wimer

Shut-Ins

Charlotte Dale – Brightview Senior Living

Tim Clemmer – The Legacy

Jean Flower – The Legacy

Birthdays

2 Ocean Snyder

8 Jerry Fry

Anniversaries

None

Serving Our Country

Scott Dice – Son of Melissa and Harry Dice

Nick Dubyk – Grandson of Betty and Willis Clemmer

Matthew Witcofsky – Son of Janet and Joe Witcofsky

QUICK REMINDER

Please call the Church Office (885-8159) if you or someone in your family goes into the hospital. This is the only sure way that we will know of your situation, so visits and other support can be given.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

It is with sadness that we share the passing of Mary Jo Ramsey-Smith, our former organist. Mary Jo's husband, Gary, sends his gratitude for the many lovely and thoughtful cards sent to Mary Jo during her illness. Sympathy cards may be sent to Gary Smith at [1009 Seth Drive, Apt. #501, Staunton, VA 24401-4589](mailto:1009.Seth.Drive.Apt.#501.Staunton.VA.24401-4589).

Pam Snyder

GREETERS & USHERS

Sign-up sheet for greeters and ushers for the month of **January** is on the table in back of the sanctuary. Thanks you for your help.

THANK YOU

Thank you all so much for the many cards and visits and especially the beautiful fruit basket that you sent to me at Legacy for Christmas. I am truly blessed to be part of such a caring church body. I pray for many blessings for all of you for the New Year.

Jean Flower

THANK YOU EVERYONE!

Thank you so much to all those who contributed to the Presbyterian Women THANK OFFERING. We received \$403 which will support ten worthy projects. Eight of the projects serve people in the United States and two are international. More than 40 % of the selected projects are related to health ministries. "See that none of you repays evil for evil, but always seek to do good to one another and to all. Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you." 1 Thessalonians 5:15 -18

THE SESSION

Class of 2023

Frank Brown
Mary Rainey
Debbie Sedr
Jerry Siford

Class of 2024

Amanda Harris
Jim McKenna
Rick Myrah
Sherrill Robinson

Class of 2025

Sue Gochenour
Pickle Nuckols
Pam Sndyer
Paul Wolfe

Evan R. Smith, Moderator

Nancy Swisher, Clerk

TRUSTEES

Class of 2023

Betty Clemmer

Class of 2024

Caroline Woebke

Class of 2025

Jim Sargent

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

Moderator.....Mary Rainey
Vice-Moderator.....Pat Blackley
Secretary.....Talitha Hippeard
Treasurer.....Sue Gochenour

SESSION COMMITTEE CHAIRS

Christian Education/Worship.....Mary Rainey & Jim McKenna
Membership & Outreach..... Debbie Sedr & Sherrill Robinson
Mission & Community Service.....Frank Brown & Amanda Harris
Stewardship and Finance.....Mark Robertson
Property.....Paul Wolfe & Rick Myrah
Personnel.....Pam Snyder

CHURCH STAFF

Pastor.....The Rev. Dr. Evan R. Smith
Secretary.....Kay Waitier
Music Director.....Pam Snyder
Organist.....Pam Snyder