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We welcome you not as strangers but as a part of God's family! We are a community of faith that gathers to praise our Lord and Savior, serve others, search for answers, and enjoy the fellowship of one another. We hope today you will be challenged and discover encouragement. The peace of Christ be with you!

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

2nd Sunday after Epiphany

January 19th, 2025

GATHERING AROUND GOD'S WORD

*Worship begins with the Prelude. Please use this time for **silent** preparation.*

PRELUDE

Hal H. Hopson

"Processional in C"

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: *And also with you.*

“Taste and See”

CALL TO WORSHIP (Responsive)

Leader: Come find refuge in the shelter of God’s ways.
People: *We are eager to live in the love of God.*
Leader: Let us drink deeply from the fountain of life.
People: *We hunger for God’s Word.*
Leader: God pours God’s love upon us and renews us.
People: *The Spirit is eager to inspire and empower us.*
Unison: *We embrace Jesus Christ and our call to discipleship.*

*HYMN OF ADORATION # 81

“Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken”

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)

God of the heathen and the righteous, we confess that we have moved away from our commitment to Your Son. We have denied Your gifts, ignored Your inspiration, and wandered from Your healing presence. Still, we cannot escape Your claim on us, for wherever we go, You are there. Your steadfast love saves us from our selfish desires. Your continuous love calls us to live with higher values. Forgive our many sins and strengthen us live as disciples of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. Amen.

*DECLARATION OF PARDON

*GLORIA PATRI

*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.*

A MOMENT WITH OUR CHILDREN

PROCLAIMING GOD’S WORD

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Psalm 36:5-10, Page 510

ANTHEM

Marty Haugen

“Awake, Awake, and Greet the New Morn!”

GOSPEL LESSON

John 2:1-11, page 93

Leader: The Word of the Lord.
People: *Thanks be to God.*

MEDITATION

The Rev. Rick Martindale

“Can Jesus Turn Our Lives Around?”

*HYMN OF PREPARATION # 515

“I Come with Joy”

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Prayer of Thanksgiving 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

Sharing the Bread and Cup

Prayer

OFFERING AND OFFERTORY

Robert Robinson

“Arrangement on Ebenezer”

*DOXOLOGY

Hymn # 606

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SENDING GOD'S WORD INTO THE WORLD

*HYMN OF COMMITMENT # 833

“O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go”

*CHARGE AND BLESSING

*CHORAL RESPONSE

Traditional

“Danish Amen”

*POSTLUDE

André Campra

“Rigaudon”

**Please stand if able.*

Opportunities for the Week of January 19th – January 26th

Today: 10:00 a.m. Sunday School
11:00 a.m. Worship Service / Communion
12:15 p.m. Session Meeting, *conference room*

Tuesday: 6:15 p.m. Men's Bible Study Group, *conference room*

Wednesday: Deadline for Church Mouse / Newsletter
No Choir Practice this week

Sunday: 10:00 a.m. Sunday School
11:00 a.m. Worship Service
5:00 p.m. Youth Group
6:00 p.m. Confirmation Class, youth room

Announcements

We welcome Robert Wilson back to FPC. Dr. Wilson has been hired as our Choir Director and Organist. Please take time to greet Robert back to the church.

Our pictorial directories have arrived! You can pick them up after church or during the week. Each family may receive one copy, even those who did not take a picture. Maybe afterwards you will add your family and picture to our on-line version?

Church committees are forming, if you would like to serve on a committee but haven't been asked, please see an elder or Rev. Martindale.

The session will be meeting after church today in the conference room at 12:15 p.m.

The flowers in the sanctuary are give to the glory of God by Barbara Danley.