

WE GATHER IN GOD'S PRESENCE

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

* Entry of the Bible

Introit

Call to Worship

* Hymn: "For all the Love"

#440

Opening Prayer:

Almighty and everlasting One, your power is incomparable, your majesty infinite, and your love beyond imagination. In a hectic and busy world, you are peace and rest. In a harsh and unforgiving world, you are tenderness and mercy. You do not desire for us to live in darkness or in sinful exile, and so you call us to liberation through confession. We know the truth that your love is infinite and ours is so often narrow and conditional. We focus on ourselves and seek to receive love rather than to give it, to be served rather than serve, to be forgiven but not forgive. Create in us clean hearts, forgive who we have been, help us accept and give forgiveness, and let us be at peace with you and one another. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Choir Anthem

WE CELEBRATE GOD'S CHILDREN

* Praise Song: "Jesus' hands were kind hands"

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Exploring God Together

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

Hymn of Preparation:

#500 v. 1

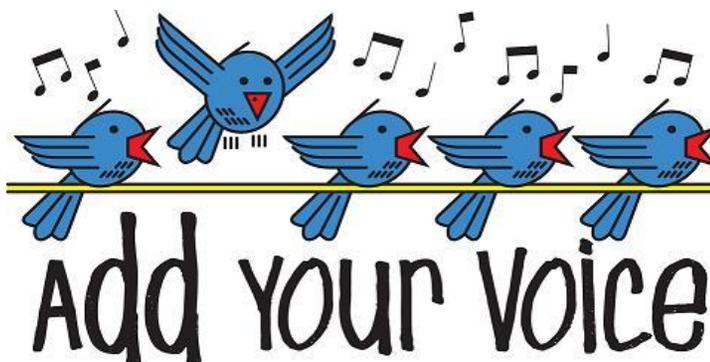
"Open my eyes that I may see glimpses of truth thou hast for me. Place in my hands the wonderful key that shall unclasp and set me free. Silently now I wait for thee, ready my God, thy will to see: open my eyes, illumine me, Spirit divine!"

Upcoming Events at First

Feb 5 th	MTM meeting	1:00 pm
Feb 6 th	Session Meeting	7:00 pm
Feb 7 th	Bible Study	10:00 am
	Choir Practice	7:00 pm
Feb 8 th	Crafts & Conversation	1:00 pm
Feb 10 th	Sunday Worship	11:00 am
	"Welcome New Church Members"	



If you or a friend enjoys singing and the fellowship of others, then you are invited to join us on Thursday evenings at 7:00 pm and share your talents with us at First Church.



Thank you, this week, to: Feb 3rd**Greeters:** Leila Pettigrew and Betty Irving**Lay Reader:** Sandra Allan**Fellowship Time:** Beth & Robert Workman**Elevator Operator:** Richard Noy**Offering Counting:** Debbie Linkletter & Maureen Verdone**Offering Collection:** Debbie Linkletter & Maureen verdone

THANK

YOU!

Next week's volunteers: Feb 10th**Greeters:** Leila Pettigrew and Betty Irving**Lay Reader:** Lynae Grace**Fellowship Time:** Sandy Allen & Betty Ann Burn**Elevator Operator:** Colin Rackham**Offering Counting:** Val Calder & Isobel Telford**Offering Collection:** Fred & Donna Johnson

Rev. Susan will be away Feb 13-24 on a study tour in Israel.
For pastoral emergencies please call Rev. Joyce Yanishewski at
632-8348.

REMINDER: "the deadline for reports for inclusion in the 2018
Annual report has passed. If you still have an outstanding report,
please get it to the church office ASAP" with your \$10.00 😊

Bible Readings:**1 Kings 17:8-16****Psalm 146:5-10****Luke 4:16-30****Pg. 324 OT****Pg .581-582 OT****Pg. 61-62 NT****Gloria Patri:****#594**

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.

Sermon: "Jesus Rejected at Nazareth"**WE RESPOND TO GOD****Tithes and Offerings***** Offertory Response:****#484 v.2**

"The church is wherever God's people are helping, caring for
neighbours in sickness and need. The church is wherever God's
people are sharing the words of the Bible in gift and in deed."

***Prayer of Dedication:**

Nurturing God, you remind us that faith without love is
meaningless. We present these gifts with love. We rejoice in
our ability to share. May this moment of giving warm our
hearts and stir our souls, so that we remember to act
consistently out of love in the name of Jesus. In His name, we
pray. Amen.

SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION**Invitation***** Hymn: "Let us break bread together"****#548**

Affirmation of Faith:

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Remembering the meal with Jesus

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving:

The Lord be with you;
And also, with you.

Lift up your hearts;
We lift them up to the Lord.

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

Holy God, Creator of heaven and earth, with joy we thank you and praise you. Your prophets gave your people hope by promising them the Redeemer. And now we celebrate that the Redeemer, your Son, Jesus Christ, has come. He will come again in power and glory, making all things new.

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest!

We thank you for sending Jesus to live among us, full of grace and truth. He shared our joy and sorrow, he healed the sick and he was a friend of sinners. Obeying you, he took up his cross and died that we might live.

**Christ has died;
Christ is risen;
Christ will come again**

We come to His Table in simple trust, seeking the transforming power of your Spirit upon this body of believers, on these words and actions, on this bread and wine. By the miracle of your grace, we pray that we might be united to Christ and to one another—one in body, one in spirit, one in faith.

Be with us now through your Holy Spirit as we celebrate with great joy the resurrection of our Lord, his presence with us in this feast, and his promise of a new creation. We pray through Jesus Christ our Lord and Saviour, who lives in unity with you and the Holy Spirit, One God, to all eternity. Amen.

Sharing the Meal

Pastoral Prayer & Lord's Prayer (see the back of bulletin)

WE GO OUT TO SERVE

* **Hymn:** "Brother, sister, let me serve you" **#635**

Blessing

Response: **#264**
 "(Sing amen.) Amen, we praise your name, O God. (Sing amen.) Amen we praise your name, O God. (Sing amen.) Amen, amen, amen, amen, amen we praise your name, O God. (X2)

Postlude

(Please maintain a reverent silence and stillness during the Postlude)