### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**HOLIDAY CLOSURE:** The church office will be closed on Monday, January 2 for the New Year holiday. We will reopen on Tuesday, January 3.

**PANCAKE BREAKFAST – JANUARY 8:** Say "Thanks!" to a Sunday School Teacher and "Welcome!" to 2022's New Members. On Sunday, January 8, members and visitors of all ages are invited to attend a special pancake breakfast during the Sunday school hour in Fellowship Hall. This breakfast is sponsored in partnership by the Christian Education Committee and the Congregational Life Committee. Let us take time to share a meal together, get to know recent members and confirmands from the 2022 year, and give thanks to those Sunday school teachers who work tirelessly all year long. Regularly scheduled Sunday school classes will not meet on Jan 8. There will be plenty of hot pancakes, bacon, and other breakfast goodies. Make this Sunday an opportunity to join in fellowship and to recommit to the 2022-2023 Sunday school year!

**FAMILY PROMISE:** The 2023 Family Promise Schedule has been set. Second Presbyterian (along with our friends at Beth Israel) will be hosting the following dates: lan 22 - 29, May 14 - 21, luly 23 - 30, Sept 3 - 10, Oct 1 - 8

Typically we are responsible for dinner (in the current model) and groceries on Wednesday, Friday, Saturday & Sundays. Until the Alexa House is finished, we will be taking meals either to FP day shelter in Salem, or the family's duplex off Orange Avenue. Stay tuned – as COVID continues to impact us all, the way we serve may continue to change throughout the year.

**YOUTH SKI TRIP:** Youth Ski Trip is coming up on January 21! Any youth interested in going please register online; forms can be found at the bottom of the Youth page on our website. Registration and payment deadline is January 11. Please contact Ben with any questions.

**HIGH SCHOOL FAITH AND HUMAN SEXUALITY RETREAT:** The High School Faith and Human Sexuality Retreat is February 10-11. Teaming up with Raleigh Court Presbyterian Church, this overnight retreat is open to all 10th, 11th, and 12th grade students as we explore the intersection of faith and sexuality in way that recognizes and respects the diversity of participants with respect to sex, gender identity, gender expression, sexual orientation, and disability status. Our hope is that our time together will foster and build healthy expressions of love for ourselves and others as image-bearers in the world. Please contact Ben to register and if you have any questions.

**NEW MONTHLY FOOD COLLECTION FOR PCC:** Rising food prices and lingering Covid effects continue to increase food insecurity in the Roanoke Valley. We've heard reports from the Presbyterian Community Center that their food pantry shelves are often bare due to the increased demand for items. To help the center keep their shelves stocked throughout the year, Second Presbyterian will begin collecting a monthly food item for the PCC. The food item of the month will be listed in the Pastor's email and bulletin each week. As you do your grocery shopping, consider purchasing some of these extra items for the PCC then drop them off at church in the coat closet.

Additionally, a common need no matter the month, is food packaged in easy open containers. The Presbyterian Community Center is seeing an increase in homeless individuals visiting the food pantry. Without a home to prepare meals, these individuals need easy open, ready to eat foods such as containers with pop top lids or Pop Tarts. The Youth will still run their yearly Hunger Busters campaign in November, but these monthly collections will help to keep the PCC stocked throughout the year.

The food item for the month of January is canned meats. Donations can be left in the coat closet.

### THE WEEK AHEAD

Today, January 1

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

11:00 AM: Worship Service, Sanctuary/Live Stream

Monday, January 2

Church Office Closed for Holiday

Tuesday, January 3

9:30 AM: Staff Meeting, Session Room

Wednesday, January 4

Preschool Reopens

11:00 AM: Memorial Service for Joann Manley, Chapel

12:00 PM: Bulletin Article Deadline

5:15 PM: Personnel Committee Meeting, Hybrid

Thursday, January 5

5:15 PM: Christian Education Committee Meeting, Hybrid

Friday, January 6

Saturday, January 7









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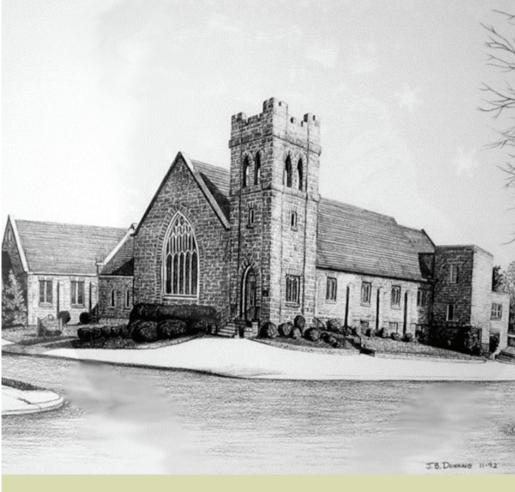


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# Sunday Morning Worship 11:00 a.m. Service

January 1, 2023



## PASTORAL STAFF

Dr. George C. Anderson, Senior Pastor

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The Rev. Benjamin S. Brannan, Associate Pastor for Youth and Young Adults

Large-print copies of services may be requested from an usher.

# Members of the Session of Second Presbyterian Church s - Class of 2022 Elders - Class of 2023 Elders - Class of

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# January 1, 2023 Worship at 11:00 a.m. On Site & Online First Sunday of Christmas

Gathering Music

We Three Kings of Orient Are

Fred Bock

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude March of the Three Kings

Gilbert M. Martin Conc

\*Call to Worship (Adapted from Psalm 8)

When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars that you have established; who are human beings that you are mindful of them, mortals that you care for them?

Yet you have made them a little lower than God

Yet you have made them a little lower than God and crowned them with glory and honor.

Let us worship God.

\*Hymn No. 151

We Three Kings of Orient Are

Children, Worship, & Wonder participants (4k-1st grade) excused during last verse of opening hymn.

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

The old year has passed away. We mourn and confess those ways we were unfaithful this past year: missed opportunities for compassion, worship and study neglected, the kind word unspoken and the loving gesture not shown. We know that simple resolutions will not do, that only your word of forgiveness and the power of your grace can create us anew. We pray that you grant us fresh hopes, more loving hearts, and growth in grace. Forgive us and empower us we pray.

We have more to say. We will say it in silence.

Sung Response No. 288 Spirit of the Living God

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me. Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me. Melt me; mold me; fill me; use me. Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

Assurance of Pardon

\*Hymn of Response No. 581 Gloria Patri

\*Affirmation of Faith (Adapted from John 1)

We believe that in the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God; all things were made through him, and without him was not anything made that was made. In him was life, and the life was the light of all people. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it. We believe that the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, full of grace and truth; we have beheld his glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father.

Concerns

Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer Glory to God, p. 35 (using debts, debtors)

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading Philippians 1:9-11 New 7

New Testament p. 952

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

Sermon A Different Sort of Resolution

Dr. George C. Anderson

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

\*Hymn of Preparation #517: Here, O Our Lord, We See You vv. 1, 2, 5 Celebration by Intinction<sup>1\*\*\*</sup>

Call to Discipleship

Offering\*\*

Offertory We Three Kings of Orient Are Raymond H. Haan Ritual of Friendship

(Please sign the Friendship Pad, pass it along to others in your pew, then return it to center.)

\*Doxology (Hymn No. 606)

\*Prayer of Dedication

\*Hymn No. 542 God Be with You Till We Meet Again

\*Charge and Benediction

Postlude God Rest Ye Merry, Gentlemen

arr., James Pethel

\*Please stand in body or spirit.

\*\*\*All Communion elements are gluten free.



# **BULLETIN NOTES**

<sup>1</sup> COMMUNION will be served today by intinction whereby bread can be dipped into the grape juice before partaking. Ushers will release pews one by one whereby worshippers will come down the center aisle, partake, and then return to their pews by the outside aisle. If you wish to decline the juice, you may bow your head or cross your arms across the chest in receiving the blessing. When requested by the raising of a hand, officiants will bring the elements to you in the pew.

<sup>3</sup> THE OUTREACH OFFERING for January will support our DR Medical Mission Team. Our team is scheduled to travel to San Juan de La Maguana to assist Solid Rock International's ministries in late February; our teams first visit since before the pandemic. Donations to the Outreach Offering will support team travel and the purchase of supplies needed for the guesthouse and clinic.

The Outreach Offering for the month of December supported *Bradley Free Clinic*. Currently, Bradley Free Clinic is the only provider of dental care for underserved members of our community as other providers have terminated this service. Funds collected will help Bradley Free Clinic further develop their dental program along with other services of the clinic. Last week, \$544.00 was collected for a total of \$5,249.21.

Ukrainian Support: The church is collecting separate contributions to help with humanitarian aid to Ukraine. Designated contributions will be sent to CARE (<a href="www.care.org">www.care.org</a>) for their "Ukraine Crisis Fund," which provides immediate aid and recovery, food, water, hygiene kits, psychosocial support, and cash assistance to the most vulnerable. To date, \$23,018 has been collected.

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### THIS SUNDAY

Flowers: The flowers are given to the glory of God by Jim and Peggy Baynton in loving memory of their parents, Dick and Elaine Baynton and Darrell and Mary Spicer as well as Peggy's sister, Becky Spicer.

Arranged by Alice Loftin.

Ushers: (11:00 a.m.) Connie Polly (Head Usher), Brownie, Kit, and Brownie Ed Polly.

Technicians: Miranda Moore, Doug Settles.

**Children, Worship, & Wonder:** "The Parable of the Treasure." Storyteller, Carolyn Krisha. Program Coordinator, Amanda Copeland.