

# GO TO SERVE WITH GOD'S BLESSING

\*HYMN

Wake, Awake, for Night Is Flying

WACHET AUF

1. Wake, a - wake, for night is fly - ing; the watch - men on the  
2. Zi - on hears the watch - men sing - ing, and all her heart with  
3. Now let all the heavens a - dore thee, and saints and an - gels  
heights are cry - ing; A - wake, Je - ru - sa - lem, at last!  
joy is spring - ing; she wakes, she ris - es from her gloom;  
sing be - fore the, with harp and cym - bal's clear - est tone;  
Mid - night hears the wel - come voice - es and at the thrill - ing  
for her Lord comes down all - glo - rious, the strong in grace, in  
of one pearl each shin - ing por - tal, where we are with the  
cry re - joice - es; come forth, ye vir - gins, night is past; the  
truth vic - to - rious. Her Star is risen; her Light is come. Ah  
choir im - mor - tal of an - gels round thy daz - ling throne; nor  
Bride - groom comes, a - wake; your lamps with glad - ness take: Al - le - lu - ia! And  
come, thou bless - ed One, God's own be - lov - ed Son: Al - le - lu - ia! We  
eye hath seen, nor ear hath yet at - tained to hear what there is ours; but  
for his mar - riage feast pre - pare, for ye must go and meet him there.  
fol - low till the halls we see where thou hast bid us sup with thee.  
we re - joice and sing to thee our hymn of joy e - ter - nal - ly.

**ANTHEM** 9:00 AM View the Present Through the Promise  
The Sanctuary Choir

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## CHARGE AND BLESSING

\*CONGREGATIONAL BENEDICTION RESPONSE O CHRIST, SURROUND ME

God, be the love to search and keep me;  
God, be the prayer to move my voice;  
God, be the strength to now uphold me:  
O Christ, surround me; O Christ, surround me.  
Walking behind to hem my journey,  
Going ahead to light my way,  
And from beneath, above, and all ways:  
O Christ, surround me; O Christ, surround me.

**POSTLUDE** Carillon Sortie

Henri Mulet

# WELCOME FRIENDS

**Welcome to First Presbyterian Church.** Please sign the Fellowship Register and pass it along to those around you. Visitors, please include your name, address, zip code, and phone number. When the register returns, note the names of people near you and greet one another after the service.

**VISITORS**, please accept our invitation to worship with us regularly and be sure to pick up a white visitor welcome bag, located in the back of the sanctuary on the Welcome Desk.

**Sound enhancement devices** that can accommodate a T-switch on a hearing aid, or can be fitted with a personal earpiece, are available in the sanctuary. Ask any usher for details, or see the sound engineer at the sound desk at the front of the sanctuary.

**Emergency Information.** An AED (Automated External Defibrillator) is located on the west wall of the Narthex (back of Sanctuary) and a second AED is outside the Parlor kitchen in the Christian Education building.

**Enjoy Fellowship Time in Fellowship Hall this morning!** All members and visitors are invited to stop by and say "hello." Today's Fellowship Hosts are Marilyn & Dennis Jorgenson. If you are available to host fellowship hour on Sunday morning, please contact Frances Keller (563-508-7847), or leave a note at the Welcome Desk.

**Childcare for anyone who needs it is provided** from 8:45 AM - 12:15 PM in the Little Saints and Angels Nursery (on the third floor of the Christian Education building). Access is possible via the curved stairway just beyond the Sanctuary door to the right of the Chancel (front of the Sanctuary).

**Music Notes:** The *Sanctuary Choir* provides music leadership this morning with Stephen Mager's arrangement of a 16th-century Latin plainchant. This arrangement will be featured in the annual Christmas Concerts on December 15 and 16.

This evening the *Chamber Chorale* offers an Advent Service of Lessons and Carols at 7:30 PM.

Next week, December 8, the *Sanctuary Choir* provides music leadership.

# JOYS AND CONCERNS

**Death:** David Welsh, November 24, 2018

**Prayers are Welcome for:** family of Bill Butcher; Kevin Camp (*son-in-law of Bev & Dick Koos*); Robin Ciccotelli; Don Dyer; Lynnell Havercamp; Don Hoehn & Joanne Farnsworth (*death of daughter Phyllis Jean Hoehn*); Justin Ilg; Kathy McClure (*mother of David McClure*); Bob McCowan; Mike & Amy Saskowski and family (*death of father*); Duane Timm & Jeffrey Gomez (*loss of mother and mother-in-law, Delma*); family of David Welsh; families and victims of abuse, addiction, violence, loss, suicide, and all recent natural disasters.

**Mission Partners:** Rev. José Pilar Alvare Cabrera and Rev. Nestor Eduardo Alvarez (*leaders of ILUGUA, Zacapa, Guatemala*), Alice Chikomo in Harare, Zimbabwe.

**Hospital visits** by the Pastors to members and friends of the church, are made only with a patient's permission.

**InTouch Information:** If you or a loved one is unable to attend church services and would enjoy personal visits to your home or care facility and would like to be contacted by one of First Presbyterian's InTouch members, please contact Bev Koos (563-676-0292), Deacon of Pastoral Care Spiritual Development Committee.

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December 2, 2018

First Sunday of Advent

Communion Sunday

Worship at Nine and Eleven O'Clock in the Morning



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# FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

*A place to belong! Where faith is nurtured,  
curiosity is encouraged, diversity is welcomed, and all are loved.*

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## SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR MEDITATION:

Jeremiah 33:14-16

Psalms 25:1-10

1 Thessalonians 3:9-13

Luke 21:35-36

“Show me your ways, Lord, teach me  
your paths...my hope is in you all day long.”

Psalms 25:4-5

*The flowers in the chancel are given by Jim & Pat Anderson to the glory of God,  
and in gratitude for the beauty and inspiration of our sanctuary.*

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 9, 2018, SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

REV. KRISTY PARKER

SERVICES OF WORSHIP AT 9:00 AND 11:00 AM

Malachi 3:1-4, Luke 1:68-79, Philippians 1:3-11, Luke 3:1-6

## ABOUT THE NARTHEX SCULPTURES

Please stop by the narthex to appreciate the beautiful carvings of sculptor John Kompulsek. Each Sunday the carvings depict a different aspect of the Christmas story. John Kompulsek was born in Solvenija, Yugoslavia. During World War II when all the schools were closed, John enrolled in an apprenticeship in the Master Hohnejec Sculpture Studio in Celje, Yugoslavia. Later he worked in the Federal Department of National Monuments and Fine Arts, and the Merluzzi Stone Monuments and Statue Studio in Austria. He immigrated to Toronto, Canada, where he worked in the Regency Galleries for a period of six years.

# ORDER OF SERVICE

\*Worshippers who are able, please stand. **Bold** indicates congregational response.

*Liturgist: Aly Horvath; Sermon: Rev. Pat Halverson*

## THE CHURCH GATHERS TO...

**PRELUDE** Wie schön leuchtet der Morgenstern Dietrich Buxtehude

### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

*Worshippers are invited to meditate silently during the following prelude. The Bible, which has been placed near the outside door symbolizing its place in the world, is brought to the lectern from which lessons will be read, symbolizing the place of Scripture in Christian Worship.*

**INTROIT** Advent Message Martin How

## PRAISE ALMIGHTY GOD

*This year, our Advent Candlelighters are some of the Confirmands of our church and their families.*

**LIGHTING THE FIRST CANDLE OF ADVENT** 9:00 AM - The Frohlich Family  
11:00 AM - The Cracraft Family

We give thanks for the light of Christ, shining in the lives of all God's people.

With the prophet's Isaiah and Jeremiah, we watch and wait for the coming of Christ who will bring light and peace to all the world

**\*HYMN** O Come, O Come Emmanuel VENI EMMANUEL

*At the 9:00 AM service, children are invited to come forward to the Chancel as the hymn ends.*



1. O come, O come, Em-man - u - el, and ran-som cap-tive  
2. O come, thou Wis - dom from\_\_\_ on high, who or-derest all things  
6. O come, thou Day-spring, come\_\_\_ and cheer our spi - rits by thine  
7. O come, De - sire of na - tions, bind all peo-ples in one



Is - ra - el, that mourns in low - ly ex - ile here un-  
might - i - ly: to us the path of knowl - edge show; and  
ad - vent here; dis - perse the gloom - y clouds\_ of night, and  
heart\_\_\_ and mind; bid en - vy, strife, and dis - cord cease; fill



til the Son of God\_\_\_ ap - pear.  
teach us in her ways\_\_\_ to go. *Re - joice! Re - joice! Em -*  
death's dark sha - dows put\_\_\_ to flight.  
the whole world with hea - ven's peace.



*man - u - el shall come to thee, O Is - ra - el.*

### \*PASSING OF THE PEACE

**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE** 9:00 AM

# CONFESS TO A FORGIVING CREATOR

**\*CALL TO CONFESSION** - Sing "Take O Take Me" one time.



Take, O take me as I am; sum - mon out what I shall



be, set your seal up - on my heart and live in me.

**\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**Dear Lord, as you came to save us you came also to transform us. We confess that we are often distracted by our busy lives. We are often selfish in our personal wants. We see the needs of others all around, but often close our hearts. Help us to allow you to lead us in your ways, not just for a season, but as a lifestyle. Amen.**

*Following the Prayer of Confession, please sing "Take O Take Me" one time.*

**\*ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

Friends, hear and believe this good news of the Gospel:  
**In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God.**

**\*GLORIA PATRI** Hymn 579

**ANTHEM** 11:00 AM Of the Father's Love Begotten Arr. Stephen Mager  
The Sanctuary Choir

## LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD

**SCRIPTURE READINGS** Psalm 25:1-10 *The Old Testament page 502*  
Luke 21:25-36 *The New Testament page 85*

This is the Word of the Lord  
**Thanks be to God.**

**SERMON** Our Hope in Troublesome Times

## RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

**ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION OF ELDERS** 9:00 AM

**OFFERING OUR GIFTS AND LIVES TO GOD**

*In the gift of money, we offer something of our work and selves to God.*

9:00 AM Of the Father's Love Begotten Arr. Stephen Mager  
The Sanctuary Choir

11:00 AM Wachet auf, ruft uns die Stimme, BWV 645 J.S. Bach

**\*PRESENTATION OF OUR GIFTS AND LIVES TO GOD**

*Those who are able, please rise singing the Doxology*



Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; Praise God, all crea-tures



here\_\_\_ be - low; Praise God a - bove ye heav'n - ly host; Cre -



a - tor, Christ, and Ho - ly Ghost. *Re - joice! Re - joice! Em -*



*man - u - el shall come to thee, O Is - ra - el.*

**\*HYMN** Prepare the Way, O Zion BEREDEN VÄG FÖR HERRAN



1. Pre - pare the way, O Zi - on, Your Christ is draw - ing near!\_\_\_  
2. Christ brings God's rule, O Zi - on; He comes from heav'n a - bove. \_\_\_  
3. Fling wide your gates, O Zi - on; Your Sav - ior's rule em brace. \_\_\_



Let ev - ery hill and val - ley A lev - el way ap - pear. \_\_\_  
His rule is peace and free - dom, and jus - tice, truth, and love. \_\_\_  
And tid - ings of sal - va - tion Pro - claim in ev - ery place. \_\_\_



Greet One who comes in glo - ry, Fore - told in sa - cred sto - ry.  
Lift high your praise re - sound - ing, For grace and joy\_\_\_ a - bound - ing  
All lands will bow re - joic - ing, Their ad - o - ra - tion voic - ing.



O blest is Christ that came\_\_\_ in God's most ho - ly name. \_\_\_

## THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

**INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE**

**THE GREAT 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 our thanks and praise.**

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**THE LORD'S PRAYER** - *Please use either of the versions of The Lord's Prayer that can be found on page 16 in the hymnal.*

**WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

**SHARING THE BREAD AND CUP**

*All are asked to commune together after everyone has been served.*

**PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND REMEMBERING THE SAINTS**

Bill Butcher Howard Townsend David Welsh  
Roen Paulsen Gloria Williams

*Continued...*