

First Presbyterian Church

Watertown, NY + www.watertownfirstpres.org

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The Calling of The Apostles Peter and Andrew, 1308-1311, Duccio do Buoninsegna

Welcome to First Presbyterian Church!

This is the day the Lord has made, we will rejoice and be glad in it! Whether you are visiting First Presbyterian Church for the first time, or are a longtime member or friend, your presence today is a blessing to our community!

Three very important commitments guide our lives together at First Presbyterian Church: *worship, mission* and *discipleship*. In worship we commune with God and with one another, sing and pray, and measure our lives according to God's Word. Through mission, both local and international, we live out Jesus' call to 'feed my sheep' and serve the least.' In study, prayer, and community, we develop as life-long disciples of Jesus, working for a more peaceful and just world.

Following worship, please stick around for fellowship time. Enjoy a cup of coffee. Spend time in the sanctuary in prayer. Introduce yourself to me and your fellow worshippers. We're glad you're here!

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If you are new here, please fill out the card in the pew and place it in the offering plate, so that we can get to know you better.

Hearing help is available during all worship services - please see an usher for assistance.

Nursery Care is available for children to age 4 during all worship Services. You can find the nursery in the education wing of the building. A restroom and quiet room can be found in the narthex.

If you are in need of prayer, please see our Pastor before or after worship, or write your prayer requests in the green book at the front of the sanctuary (by the flags)

Sunday School for pre-school through grade 6, meets after "Young Disciples Time" teaching today will be Lucy Hiotis.

Gathering Music

"Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"

"My Faith Looks Up to Thee"

"Shine, Jesus, Shine"

arr. Hustad Mason, arr. McDonald Kendrick, arr. Carter

Gathering

Pastor's Greeting and Words of Welcome

Prelude

"The Quiet Call of Christ"

Dennis Eliiot

*Call to Worship from Psalm 27

I waited patiently for the Lord; The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? The Lord is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?

One thing I asked of the Lord, that will I seek after: to live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to behold the beauty of the Lord, and to inquire in his temple.

For he will hide me in his shelter in the day of trouble; he will conceal me under the cover of his tent; he will set me high on a rock.

Now my head is lifted up above my enemies all around me, and I will offer in his tent sacrifices with shouts of joy; I will sing and make melody to the Lord.

Hear, O Lord, when I cry aloud, be gracious to me and answer me! "Come," my heart says, "seek his face!" Your face, Lord, do I seek.

Do not hide your face from me.

Do not turn your servant away in anger, you who have been my help.

Do not cast me off, do not forsake me,

O God of my salvation!

Let us worship God together!

*Opening Hymn #104

"O Worship the King"

*Prayer of The Day

Confession of Sin and Assurance of Pardon

The great light of Jesus Christ has dawned on us, and his light illuminates both the good and the bad in our lives. This is the paradox of human life: we are at one time sinners and the redeemed of God.

With confidence in God, let us confess our sins together.

Almighty God, we confess that we have not been faithful to you in our thoughts and actions. We have been selfish in our desires and quarrelsome in our relationships. We have allowed fear to divide us from those who seem different, and let distrust separate us from our brothers and sisters.

Shine your light into our darkened hearts. Save us from our divisive ways. Unite us in the same mind as Jesus Christ who dwells with you and the Holy Spirit in perfect harmony.

a time of silence is kept

God offers forgiveness to those who turn to God in true repentance.

Therefore, trust in God, who breaks the bonds of our oppression, and covers us in mercy Thanks be to God! Amen!

Response Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father, and the Son, and Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

A Time With Young Disciples

"Bless These Children, Lord, We Pray"
(to the tune of "Seek Ye First", words by Andrew Long)

Bless these children, Lord, we pray;

And walk with them every day.

Teach us to hear them and cherish what they say:

Children will show us The Way.



Scripture Introduction and Prayer for Illumination

The First Scripture Lesson

I Corinthians 1:10-18

Anthem

"The Lord is My Light"

Protheroe

The Lord is my light and my salvation,

Whom shall I fear?

The Lord is my strength and my light,

Of whom should I be afraid?

Though a host should encompass against me,

my heart will not fear.

Though war should rise against me, in this will I be confident.

For in the time of trouble, he should hide me in his pavilion, In the secret places of his dwellings, he should hide me. He will set me up upon a rock.

The Second Scripture Lesson

Matthew 4:12-23

The Sermon

Unity

*Hymn #685

"Footsteps of Jesus"

*Affirmation of Faith 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.



Community Connect

At this time in worship we share information on how you can connect even better with the community at FPC Watertown.

During this time we also share our joys and concerns, as well as any other relevant information to our life together.

The Offering



Donations can be made by either scanning the QR code from the Venmo app or by searching for @First Pres of Watertown.

The Offertory

"Psalm 23"

Samuel Liddle

Clancy Cox, soloist

The Lord is my shepherd,

I shall not want.

He makes me lie down in green pastures;

He leads me beside quiet waters.

He restores my soul;

He guides me in the paths of righteousness

For His name's sake.

Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death.

I fear no evil, for You are with me;

Your rod and Your staff, they comfort me.

You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies;

You have anointed my head with oil;

My cup overflows.

Surely goodness and loving kindness will follow me all the days of my life,

And I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

*The Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow!

Praise God all creatures here below;

Praise God above ye heavenly host!

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

The Prayers of The People 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.

*Closing Hymn #1

"Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven"

*Blessing and Benediction

*Passing The Peace of Christ

The Peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

Please safely share some sign of Christ's peace with your neighbor.

Postlude

"Toccata: O Worship the King" Michael Burkhardt

Today's **Radio Broadcast** is a gift of love from the congregation of First Presbyterian Church.

We Pray For...

The Family of W. Barton Van Slyke, The Family of T. Urling Walker, John D., Alice, Dorothy, Pat, Bob, Sue, Barbara, Sherrie, Amy, Jamie, William, Fred M., Josh L., Sister Diane, Shirley, Tyler, Rochelle & Mphatso, Grace, Sam & Ruth, Mary, Suzanne, Linda & Ken, Shane, Ed, Millie, Gerda, Annie, FPC Watertown, NNY Presbytery, Synod of The Northeast, Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, the people of Ukraine, the sick, all essential workers, students & teachers, medical professionals, all serving in the military, for peace & justice, all people in positions of leadership & power.

Leading in Worship Today:

The Rev. Dr. Andrew Philip Long, preaching Katie Burgoon Long, Liturgist Carl Bingle, Organist Sara Gleason, Director of Music Chancel Choir