

CHOIR ANTHEM (10:45)

"I Need Thee Every Hour"

arr. Hojun Lee

OLD TESTAMENT READING Isaiah 40:21-31

Leader: The Gospel of our Lord, Jesus Christ.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON *"Waiting for the Lord"* Reverend Zac Wolfe

THE THANKSGIVING

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Prayer of Great Thanksgiving

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them up to the Lord.**

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.

People: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Pastor: It is truly right and our greatest joy...

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.

Breaking of Bread/Sharing of the Cup

The Communion Bread is gluten-free so all might partake.

Communion of the People

SHARING OF GOD'S TITHES AND OUR OFFERINGS

Offertory *I Need Thee Every Hour*

Dale Wood

*Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise Him all creatures here below;

Praise Him above ye heavenly host;

Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Offertory Prayer

* HYMN #403 *"What a Friend We Have in Jesus"* Converse

*BENEDICTION

*CHORAL RESPONSE *"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.

*Postlude *Hornpipe*

G.F. Handel

*Those who are able are invited to stand.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Mark 1:29-39

As soon as they left the synagogue, they entered the house of Simon and Andrew, with James and John. Now Simon's mother-in-law was in bed with a fever, and they told him about her at once. He came and took her by the hand and lifted her up. Then the fever left her, and she began to serve them. That evening, at sundown, they brought to him all who were sick or possessed with demons. And the whole city was gathered around the door. And he cured many who were sick with various diseases, and cast out many demons; and he would not permit the demons to speak, because they knew him. In the morning, while it was still very dark, he got up and went out to a deserted place, and there he prayed. And Simon and his companions hunted for him. When they found him, they said to him, "Everyone is searching for you." He answered, "Let us go on to the neighboring towns, so that I may proclaim the message there also; for that is what I came out to do." And he went throughout Galilee, proclaiming the message in their synagogues and casting out demons.

Isaiah 40:21-31

Have you not known? Have you not heard? Has it not been told you from the beginning? Have you not understood from the foundations of the earth? It is he who sits above the circle of the earth, and its inhabitants are like grasshoppers; who stretches out the heavens like a curtain, and spreads them like a tent to live in; who brings princes to naught, and makes the rulers of the earth as nothing. Scarcely are they planted, scarcely sown, scarcely has their stem taken root in the earth, when he blows upon them, and they wither, and the tempest carries them off like stubble. To whom then will you compare me, or who is my equal? says the Holy One. Lift up your eyes on high and see: Who created these? He who brings out their host and numbers them, calling them all by name; because he is great in strength, mighty in power, not one is missing. Why do you say, O Jacob, and speak, O Israel, "My way is hidden from the LORD, and my right is disregarded by my God"? Have you not known? Have you not heard? The LORD is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He does not faint or grow weary; his understanding is unsearchable. He gives power to the faint, and strengthens the powerless. Even youths will faint and be weary, and the young will fall exhausted; but those who wait for the LORD shall renew their strength, they shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint.

Associate Pastor: David Henry
Parish Associate: Cliff Cain
Stephen Ministers: Jodi Hardman
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Moderator, Board of Deacons: Tom Holt
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Organist: Jimmy Kay Sanders

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*"Those who wait for the Lord
shall renew their strength"*



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February 4, 2018

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5th Sunday After Epiphany**February 4, 2018**

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE *What a Friend We Have in Jesus* Dale Wood
Jimmy Kay Sanders, organist

INTROIT (10:45) *“Palestinian Hallelujah”* Traditional Palestinian
Chancel Choir, Dr. Natasia Sexton, Director

ENTERING OF WORD AND LIGHT

THE GATHERING*CALL TO WORSHIP (*Psalm 147:1, 5, 11*)

Leader: Praise the Lord! How good it is to sing praises to our God;

People: For the Lord is gracious, and a song of praise is fitting.

Leader: Great is our Lord, and abundant in power;

People: God’s understanding is beyond measure.

Leader: The Lord takes pleasure in those who fear him,

People: In those who hope in his steadfast love.**ALL: Praise the Lord!**

* OPENING PRAYER

HYMN #324 *“Open My Eyes That I May See”* Open My EyesPRAYER OF CONFESSION(*in unison*) Rev. Dave Henry

Holy Lord, you created us to be in relationship with you. But, we turn away from you when times get busy and our to-do list grows. When we grow tired from doing everything the world tells us we should do, we turn to other things and people of this world, instead of turning to you. As the one who can give us strength and endurance in times of struggle and fatigue, help us to return to you. Forgive us for turning away from you, and receive us in mercy as we confess to you...

Our Silent Personal Prayers of Confession

* DECLARATION OF PARDON

Leader: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

Alleluia and Amen.

* 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.**

* PASSING OF THE PEACE

“Peace be with you...and also with you.”

A TIME FOR OUR CHILDREN

Rev. Zac Wolfe

* HYMN #543 *“Abide With Me” (verses 1-4)*

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THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

GOSPEL READING Mark 1:29-39

Leader: This is the word of our Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

SPECIAL MUSIC (8:30)

What Wondrous Love is This Wm. Walker; arr. R.A. Nichols
Kristen Foster, violoncello
Karen Larvick, piano

TODAY AT FPC

WELCOME to our service of worship this Fifth Sunday After Epiphany. Join us for refreshments in Knox Hall following worship.

OUR RADIO BROADCAST over Station KWOS (950 AM) at 11:00 a.m. today is dedicated to the glory of God.

FLOWERS in the sanctuary this day are dedicated to the glory of God and in loving memory of Lanny Lea, brother-in-law of Carl Mosher.

THE WHITE ROSE on the chancel is in loving memory of Joan Gillam Manda, mother of Melissa Manda, who joined the Church Triumphant on January 20, 2018.

USHERS: 8:30 am Barbara Brennaman
10:45 am Mark Ludwig
5:00 pm Sherry Simon

BUS DRIVERS: Sheryl Bowles & Jessica Cox

FLOWER VISITATION: Todd Holt, Deb Denning & Mark Ludwig

WORSHIP NEXT WEEK

Next Sunday Pastor Dave will preach on **“The Treasure We Have To Give”** as he preached from II Corinthians 4:7-5:1. Paul teaches us the reality that God has placed the “treasure” of a living soul in each human creation – and that treasure endures trials and tribulations, is tested and tried, and continues to live on beyond this earthly life.

SUNDAY NIGHT LIVE @ FIVE

The Rev. Bob Bailey will be exploring God’s work in and around the situations of our lives in his message **“Does God?”** based on Psalms 10 and 13. It is a potluck meal tonight, so bring some food to share if you can. (If you would like to help, you are welcome to bring food earlier and drop it off even if you can’t come to the service).

TODAY’S SCHEDULE**BOY SCOUT SUNDAY****SOUPER BOWL OF CARING**

8:30 am Worship Service
9:30 am Coffee Fellowship - Knox Hall
9:45 am Sunday School for All Ages
10:45 am Worship Service
11:45 am Coffee Fellowship - Knox Hall
2:00 pm Worship at Primrose Retirement Community
3:30 pm Youth Football Game at Lincoln University
5:00 pm Sunday Night Live @5 Worship Service
5:30 pm Youth Super Bowl Party - Pastor Zac’s Home
5:45 pm Shared Meal - Knox Hall

PLEASE PRAY for our sister congregation of First Presbyterian Church, Bellflower. It is part of our being the connectional church.

THE CHAPEL SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS - is meeting again at 9:45 am on Sunday mornings. This Sunday, Pastor Dave will teach on *“Presbyterian Worship - Why We Worship As We Do.”*

DAILY LENTEN DEVOTIONS BY EMAIL - if you would like to receive your devotions by email (one per day), you may sign up on the clipboard by the kitchen, or call (636-2149) or email (office@fpcjcmo.org) the Church Office.

For more event dates & times, please see the calendar on our website at www.fpcjcmo.org

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Monday, February 5 through Sunday, February 11

MON - FRI 9:00 am - 4:30 pm Preschool
MON - THUR 8:30 am - 3:00 pm K-Plus

MON	5:00 pm	Christian Education Committee - CE Office
	5:00 pm	Facilities Committee - Library
	5:15 pm	Bible Study - Parlor
	5:30 pm	Social Justice Ministry Team - McAfee Room
	7:00 pm	Boy Scouts Troop 2 - Gym
TUES	9:30 am	Bible Study - McAfee Room
	1:30 pm	Staff Meeting
	6:00 pm	Deacon Committees - Chapel
	6:30 pm	Board of Deacons - Chapel
WED	10:30 am	Presbyterian Women Bible Study & Afternoon Circle - McAfee Room
	6:00 pm	SWAG (Mid Highs) Meet
	6:30 pm	Choir Practice
	7:00 pm	EPIC (Senior Highs) Meet
THUR	7:30 am	Stephen Ministers Leaders Meeting - Library
FRI	8:00 am	CAIA Committee Meeting - Parlor
	10:15 am	Meals on Wheels
SAT	11:30 am	Serve Lunch at Ken Locke Apartments
	5:00 pm	Parents’ Night Out Youth Fundraiser
SUN	8:30 am	Worship Service
	9:30 am	Coffee Fellowship - Knox Hall
	9:45 am	Sunday School for All Ages
	10:45 am	Worship Service
	11:45 am	Coffee Fellowship - Knox Hall
	12:00 pm	Nebraska Mission Trip Meeting - Chapel
	5:00 pm	Sunday Night Live @5 Worship Service
	5:45 pm	Shared Meal - Knox Hall

IF YOU OR A FAMILY MEMBER AND IN THE HOSPITAL OR PREPARING FOR SURGERY,

or if you know of a church family member in the hospital or preparing for surgery (and have their permission), please contact me by phone or text me at 573-298-1107. Hospital personnel, including hospital chaplains, are no longer permitted to inform pastors of members in their hospitals, so we depend on YOU to keep us informed. Help us provide care for all our members – we would rather hear about a need numerous times than not at all. -Pastor Dave