

FIRST GOSPEL LESSON Matthew 2:1-12

Leader: This is the word of our Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

SPECIAL MUSIC (8:30)

We Three Kings Nocturne

Jeffrey R. Baker

Karen Larvick, piano

CHOIR ANTHEM (10:45) *“Child of Peace”*

Don Besig

SECOND GOSPEL LESSON John 1:1-18

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SERMON *“Making All Things New”* Pastor Barry Williams

* HYMN #63 *“As with Gladness Men of Old”* Dix

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 *The Shepherds See the Star* Helmet Wallachia

*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 #66

“We Three Kings of Orient Are” (verses 1-4) Three Kings of Orient

*CHARGE & BENEDICTION

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

“We Three Kings of Orient Are” (verse 5)

*Postlude *Hail the Day so Rich in Cheer* Camille Van Halsey

*Those who are able are invited to stand.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Matthew 2:1-12

In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, asking, “Where is the child who has been born king of the Jews? For we observed his star at its rising, and have come to pay him homage.” When King Herod heard this, he was frightened, and all Jerusalem with him; and calling together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born. They told him, “In Bethlehem of Judea; for so it has been written by the prophet: ‘And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for from you shall come a ruler who is to shepherd my people Israel.’” Then Herod secretly called for the wise men and learned from them the exact time when the star had appeared. Then he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, “Go and search diligently for the child; and when you have found him, bring me word so that I may also go and pay him homage.” When they had heard the king, they set out; and there, ahead of them, went the star that they had seen at its rising, until it stopped over the place where the child was. When they saw that the star had stopped, they were overwhelmed with joy. On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage. Then, opening their treasure chests, they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they left for their own country by another road.

John 1:1-18

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 came into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being. What has come into being in him was life, and the life was the light of all people. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it. There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. He came as a witness to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. He himself was not the light, but he came to testify to the light. The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world. He was in the world, and the world came into being through him; yet the world did not know him. He came to what was his own, and his own people did not accept him. But to all who received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to become children of God, who were born, not of blood or of the will of the flesh or of the will of man, but of God. And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory as of a father’s only son, full of grace and truth.

(John testified to him and cried out, “This was he of whom I said, ‘He who comes after me ranks ahead of me because he was before me.’”) From his fullness we have all received, grace upon grace. The law indeed was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ. No one has ever seen God. It is God the only Son, who is close to the Father’s heart, who has made him known.

Interim Pastor: Barry Williams
Stephen Ministers: Jim Crabtree
Dir. Of Christian Education: Shannon McPherson
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Treasurer: Karen Laves
Secretary: Diane Keevil
Dir. Of Special Music: Karen Larvick

Called to Discipleship: All Members

Associate Pastor: David Henry
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“Making All Things New”



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Epiphany of the Lord

January 6, 2019

TODAY AT FPC

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

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE *We Three Kings* Wilbur Held
Jimmy Kay Sanders, organist

INTROIT *“Christ, Be Our Light”* Bernadette Farrell
Chancel Choir, Dr. Natasia Sexton, Director

ENTERING OF WORD AND LIGHT

THE GATHERING

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: A new year has dawned; the old is past and gone.
This is a time for beginnings, a time to encounter God.

**People: O God, how majestic is your name in all the earth!
You are the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end.**

Leader: Look to the heavens and wonder at the magnitude of space.
Look around you at the amazing variety of creation.

**People: You have made everything suitable for its time.
You have made us and crowned us with glory and honor.**

Leader: Ponder the meaning of our days in the face of eternity.
Consider again what God has called us to do and to be.

**People: You have given us dominion over the works of your hands.
You have called us to minister to the least of your children.**

*OPENING PRAYER

HYMN #56 *“The First Nowell”* The First Nowell

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(in unison)*

God of light, we admit our retreat into the shadows of pretension and exclusion. How often we choose to associate with people who are like us and then look down on others who differ from us. It is easier to discover their sins than to admit our own. We judge the poor and join their oppressors, while you call us to identify with those in need, that all may prosper together. We imagine that we along are faithful stewards of your grace, while you welcome, as fellow saints with us, many whom we ignore. Save us from our earthbound judgments, that we may look up and be guided by the star that draws all people to yourself. Awed by your forgiving presence, we worship 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 Shannon McPherson

THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

WELCOME to our service of worship this Epiphany of the Lord. 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.

THE PINK ROSE in the Sanctuary is in honor of June Louise Pearson, daughter of Lee & Allison Pearson, born on December 27, 2018.

USHERS: 8:30 am Deb Denning
10:45 am Ben Krause
5:00 pm

BUS DRIVERS: Todd Holt & Shannon Evans

FLOWER VISITATION: Cindy Gaines, Cecil Caulkins & Carl Mosher

WORSHIP NEXT WEEK

Next week, we will explore Isaiah 43:1-7 and Luke 3:15-18, 21-22 as we Ordain & Install our Elders and Deacons in service to the church.

SUNDAY NIGHT LIVE @ FIVE

Tonight we will focus on the Prophet Amos and his words of hope in the midst of difficult times. Join us at 5:00 pm for worship, fellowship and our Potluck dinner.

TODAY'S SCHEDULE

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
5:00 pm Sunday Night Live @5 Worship Service
5:45 pm Shared Meal - Knox Hall
6:00 pm Peru Mission Trip Meeting - Parlor

PERU MISSION TRIP 2019 - If you are interested in learning more about our 2019 Peru Mission Trip, please attend our information meeting this evening (Jan. 6) at 6:00 pm in the Parlor. Trip dates are June 28th - July 6th (Week I); July 5th-13th (Week II); June 28th - July 13th (Two Weeks). Cost is \$2,600 for one week and an additional \$600 for the second week.

INTERFAITH HABITAT BUILD - in Jefferson City on Saturday, January 12th. See Pastor Dave for details.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Monday, January 6 through Sunday, January 12

MON - FRI	7:30 am - 4:30 pm	Preschool
MON - THUR	8:00 am - 3:00 pm	K-Plus
MON	5:00 pm	Facilities - Library
	5:00 pm	Stewardship - McAfee Room
	5:15 pm	Bible Study - Library
	6:30 pm	Stephen Ministers - Parlor
	7:00 pm	Boy Scouts Troop 2 - Gym
TUES	9:30 am	Bible Study - McAfee Room
	1:00 pm	Recorder Practice - Choir Room
	1:30 pm	Staff Meeting
	1:30 pm	Presbyterian Women Faith Circle - Heisinger Bluffs, Apt. 327
WED	2:30 pm	Music Staff - Library
	4:30 pm	Serve Supper at Salvation Army
	6:30 pm	Pastor Nominating Committee - Chimes Room
	6:30 pm	Choir Practice
	6:30 pm	EPIC (Senior High) Meets
THUR	12:45 pm	Presbyterian Women Afternoon Circle - Library
	5:30 pm	Special Session Meeting - Chapel
	7:00 pm	Youth Ministry Committee
FRI	10:15 am	Meals on Wheels
SAT	11:30 am	Serve Lunch at Ken Locke Apartments
SUN	ORDINATION & INSTALLATION OF CHURCH OFFICERS	
	8:30 am	Worship Service
	9:30 am	Coffee Fellowship - Knox Hall
	9:45 am	Inquirer/New Member Class - Chapel
	9:45 am	Sunday School for All Ages
	10:45 am	Worship Service
	11:45 am	Coffee Fellowship - Knox Hall
	12:00 pm	Deacon Luncheon & Orientation - Chapel
	5:00 pm	Sunday Night Live @5 Worship Service
	5:45 pm	Shared Meal - Knox Hall