

SECOND SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

January 17, 2016

10:00 a.m.

This service is being broadcast over radio station WATN 1240

* Indicates that those who are able may stand.

GATHERING

GATHERING Music

Brightest and Best of the Stars of the Morning
How Brightly Shines the Morning Star
Adoration of the Magi

Carl Bingle, FPC Organist
John Rasley
Dietrich Buxtehude
Miklos Rozsa

GREETING

Peace be with you.
And also with you.

PRELUDE

I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me American Spiritual, arr. P. Taylor

CALL TO WORSHIP ~ adapted from Psalm 36

Leader: The heart of the wicked has no fear of God.
Goodness is exchanged for pride.
The hands of the evil embrace deceit.

People: **The steadfast love of God is in the heavens.**
The steadfast love of God is in the clouds.
Righteousness reaches from the mountain to the deep.
The wings of God are our refuge.
In the house of God we sup and drink life.
Light of light illumines faithful hearts.
Let us abide in the house of God;
Drive down the evil doer;
Never let them rise above the humble.

*HYMN #563

Lift Every Voice and Sing

LIFT EVERY VOICE



THIS WEEK

January 20 Kathy Rucki
January 21 Mike Gillette
January 22 Aimee Whelpley
January 23 Eleanor Pyne



IN NEED OF PRAYER

Arlene Wilson, Shane McWayne, Gerda Barbour, Irene Kolton, and for the sick and those who need God's comfort.

Prayer Help Available. Please call the church office at 782-1750 if you have a prayer request. Your confidential prayer request will be put on the First Pres. Prayer Chain. Only those requesting public prayers are included for prayers in our church bulletin.

Zikomo - Thank you!

The members of the Board of Directors of the Widows' Fund are humbled by the generosity of this congregation. \$3,878.00 was raised on Christmas Eve. These funds go directly to the programs in Malawi with the widows and the children at the Clint McCoy Feeding Center.

Offering Envelopes are available on a table in the Academy Street Entrance (between the sanctuary and Fellowship Hall) for you to pick up. If you do not see your name on any of the boxes, please call the church office; and we will get them out by the next Sunday or you can come in and pick them up during the week.

INVITATION TO REPENTANT PRAYERS

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Search us, O Christ, and know the ruin we have made of goodness, find the garments we have torn in anger. You have blessed us with so much, yet we grumble as if we have nothing; you have showered us with kindness, yet we shout as if we have never seen justice. Rebuild our soul in gratitude; mend our hearts with thankfulness. Let us not deceive ourselves. Amen.

PRIVATE CONFSSIONAL PRAYERS

WORDS OF COMFORT AND FORGIVENESS

. . . in Jesus Christ you are forgiven.

In Jesus Christ you are also forgiven.

*GLORY BE TO THE FATHER

Gloria Patri - Hymnal 579

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.

LITURGIST WELCOME

THE WORD

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

I Thessalonians 4:13-18 (New Testament, page 204-205 in pew Bibles)

ANTHEM

We'll Soon Be Done With Troubles and Trials
featuring the FPC Chancel Choir Bass Section

Rev. Cleavant Derricks (1934)
arr. Carl Bingle

CHILDREN'S TIME

(At this time we invite all K-7th graders to join us for Sunday School, please have children follow the teacher thru the door on the left. Children will meet parents in Fellowship Hall after the service.)

*Jesus loves me! This I know, for the Bible tells me so;
Little ones to Him belong; they are weak, but He is strong.
Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me!
Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.*

SECOND READING

Luke 3:21-22 (New Testament, page 60 in pew Bibles)

SERMON

“What’s Your Dream?”

Rev. Dr. Fred Garry

*HYMN #445

Great Day!

Irregular

PASTORAL PRAYER 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.

OFFERING OF OUR GIFTS AND TITHES

OFFERTORY

Balm in Gilead

Nancy Boynton, mezzo-soprano

arr. H.T. Burleigh

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.*

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

SENDING

*HYMN #368

I've Got Peace Like a River

*THE CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

THE POSTLUDE

Go Down, Moses and I Want to Be Ready

Charles Callahan