First Presbyterian Church

January 19, 2020
8:30 a.m. & 10:45 a.m.
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January 19, 2020  2nd Sunday after Epiphany  8:30 a.m. & 10:45 a.m.

Prelude  

Cazonet  

Raymond Haan

*Processional

Alex Maddux

**Bell Introit

Peace Be with You  

J. S. Bach

Greetings

*Call to Worship

Leader: I waited patiently for the LORD; he inclined to me and heard my cry. He put a new song in my mouth, a song of praise to our God. Many will see and fear, and put their trust in the LORD.

People: Happy are those who make the LORD their trust, who do not turn to the proud, to those who go astray after false gods.

Leader: You have multiplied, O LORD my God, your wondrous deeds and your thoughts toward us; none can compare with you. Were I to proclaim and tell of them, they would be more than can be counted.

People: Sacrifice and offering you do not desire, but you have given me an open ear. Burnt offering and sin offering you have not required.

Leader: Then I said, "Here I am; in the scroll of the book it is written of me. I delight to do your will, O my God; your law is within my heart."

People: I have told the glad news of deliverance in the great congregation; see, I have not restrained my lips, as you know, O LORD.

Leader: I have not hidden your saving help within my heart, I have spoken of your faithfulness and your salvation; I have not concealed your steadfast love and your faithfulness from the great congregation.

People: Do not, O LORD, withhold your mercy from me; let your steadfast love and your faithfulness keep me safe forever.

*Prayer of the Day

Almighty God, your Son our Savior Jesus Christ is the light of the world. May your people, illumined by your Word and Sacraments, shine with the radiance of his glory, that he may be known, worshiped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

*Hymn  

Awake, My Soul, and with the Sun  

No. 456

Call to Confession
Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, in baptism you promise forgiveness and new life, making us part of the body of Christ. We confess that we remain preoccupied with ourselves, separated from sisters and brothers in Christ. We cling to destructive habits, hold grudges, and show reluctance to welcome one another; we allow the past to hold us hostage. In your loving kindness, have mercy on us, and free us from sin. Remind us of the promises you make in baptism so that we may rise to new life, and live together in grace. Amen.

Silence

Choral Response

Assurance of Pardon

*Song of Thanksgiving

Gloria Patri

No. 579

*The Peace

Leader: Since God has forgiven us in Christ, let us forgive one another. The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

People: And also with you.

First Reading

Isaiah 49:1-7

Anthem

Give Me Jesus

arr. L.L. Fleming

O, when I am alone, you may have all the rest, give me Jesus.

O, when I come to die, you may have all the rest, give me Jesus.

And when I want to sing, you may have all the rest, give me Jesus.

Second Reading

John 1:29-42

Sermon:

“Expanded Job Description for the New Year”

The Rev. Dr. Brent O. Johnston

*Affirmation of Faith-from the Heidelberg Catechism

Q. 1. What is your only comfort, in life and in death?

A. That I belong--body and soul, in life and in death--not to myself but to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ, who at the cost of his own blood has fully paid for all my sins and has completely freed me from the dominion of the devil; that he protects me so well that without the will of my Father in heaven not a hair can fall from my head; indeed, that everything must fit his purpose for my salvation. Therefore, by his Holy Spirit, he also assures me of eternal life, and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for him.
Prayers of the People and Lord's Prayer

Darryl Ott

Call to Stewardship

Offertory

If I Had a Hammer by Pete Seeger

Terry McManis, baritone; Steve Bixler, guitar

If I had a hammer, I'd hammer in the morning
I'd hammer in the evening all over this land.
I'd hammer out danger, I'd hammer out warning,
I'd hammer out love between my brothers and my sisters
All over this land.
If I had a bell ...
If I had a song ...
Well I've got a hammer and I've got a bell
And I've got a song to sing all over this land.
It's the hammer of justice, it's the bell of freedom,
It's the song about love between my brothers and my sisters All over this land.

*Doxology

No. 592

*Prayer of Dedication

*Hymn

I Want Jesus to Walk With Me No. 363

*Charge and Benediction

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

*Recessional

*Postlude

Interlude Hermann Schroeder

*signifies congregation standing (for those able)
**signifies 10:45 service only

Worship Leaders

Pastor Brent Johnston
Liturgist Russ Davisson
Director of Music Steve Bixler
Organist Mark Sweeney
**Adult Education Classes Continue**

Please join me on Wednesday nights from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. to discuss what those in academia and those in the pew are talking about, John Robinson’s book *Honest to God*. Bishop Robinson sensed that Christianity needed to be made relevant to the modern world. And he found inspiration in that task in two twentieth century theologians—Paul Tillich and Dietrich Bonhoeffer.

This book spawned in the academy the “Death of God” movement. It spawned in laity, a lay renewal, liturgical renewal, and what we now know as progressive Christianity.

This class promises to generate stimulating discussion as we seek to do in the words of Anselm, “faith seeking understanding.” The book may be bought at the Church Office for $20 dollars or on Amazon. I hope to see you in class on Wednesdays in *The Well* at 6 p.m.

~ Pastor Brent

**SAVE THE DATE!!**

This year’s melodrama is scheduled for March 27 at 6 p.m. and March 29 at noon.

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**Upcoming Events**

**Journeys Class Information**

*For the first event of our 150th Anniversary Celebration*

Join us in the *Journeys* class as we celebrate the New Year and the 150th anniversary of First Presbyterian Church. Starting on Sunday, January 5, 2020, Gary Huffman, church archivist, will lead a four-week session on the history of our church. The schedule is as follows:

- January 19  3 Men—3 Windows
- January 26  13 Charter Members (live presentation)

*The Journeys Class meets in the Parlor at 9:30 a.m. on Sunday mornings. All are welcome! Please join us!*  

**Youth and Young Adult Gatherings**

- The January Young Adult Gathering (ages 18-35) was held at Sente, a coffee shop and board game establishment in downtown Wichita. Sente has more than 100 board games in their library. We did group building in addition to some friendly competition going on throughout the evening. Contact Pastor Brent or Geri Doll if you want to know who won!

- Our FPC Youth Group event (grades 6-12) for January is today, the 19th, at The Alley. Come out to The Alley right after melodrama rehearsal or at 3 p.m. We will cover the bowling for an hour. If you want to ride the Go Carts ($9), play in the arcade or buy food/drinks, you should bring your own money for that. We should be done playing by 5 p.m. We would love it if you invite friends!

**Seasonal items needed for Yellow Bag Ministry**

With cold weather and flu season on us items in the Yellow Bag Ministry need to adjust accordingly. Products especially needed are facial and toilet tissue, lip balm, Mentholatum or Vicks vapor rub, cough drops, hand and body soap. Also, greatly appreciated by the refugee families is laundry detergent. These simple items help them stretch their limited income and use their cash to pay rent and utilities. Donations can be placed in the basket in the hall outside the office any time.
Welcome, Visitors!
We extend a special welcome to those who are visiting First Presbyterian Church this morning. We are glad you are here! Large print bulletins and hymnals are available from an usher. Transistor hearing aids are also available for your use. Please ask any usher for one and feel free to sit wherever you wish in the Sanctuary while using one. All persons are encouraged to sign the Ritual of Friendship Pads as they are passed to you in the pews. Please include your address, email address, and telephone number. **Please remember to turn off your cell phone before worship this morning.**

**Children’s Information**—Children are welcome in worship. We do not mind a little fidgeting and fussing in the pew. We offer children’s worship bags with various quiet activities in cloth bags located just outside the Sanctuary doors. But if you feel that your child is having a difficult time sitting through church, you are welcome to worship in **The Well**. Remember, quiet play in The Well is appropriate so as not to disturb others who are trying to worship. Also, the McComb room is available as a Cry room. If we need to contact you during worship, just give us your cell number and we will text you. You and your child’s (spiritual, emotional, and social) needs are important to us. (Liz Norris—Director of Children’s Ministry)

**A quick reminder: Under the Child Protection Policy children are not allowed to leave the Sanctuary or The Well without an adult escort.** Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

**Sympathy**—The white rose this morning on the baptismal font is in memory of Carol Seek. Please keep his wife Chris and family and friends in your prayers as they grieve their recent loss.

Also, we express our Christian sympathy to Katie Waddel-Ritz over the recent passing of her mother.

**Flowers**—The flowers for our services this morning are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Edward and Eletha Lyon and Max and Isabel Rankin by Roger and Molly Lyon.

**Praying for the Church Family**—As a congregation we weekly focus our personal and corporate prayers upon a selection of church members and friends. Let us remember in prayer this week the following: Susan Bentson and family, Addison Wegerle, Patricia & Henry Schulte, Molly & Roger Lyon, Jennifer Lewis and Marilyn Lewis.

If you need a Stephen Minister, or would like more information about the Stephen Ministry, please contact Dr. Brent Johnston at 263-0248 or Louise Farmer at lfarmer4164@gmail.com.

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**Calendar**

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**SAVE THE DATE!!**

Our Annual Meeting will be January 26, 2020, at 12:00 following the 10:45 a.m. Worship Service in the Sanctuary. There will not be an 8:30 Worship Service on this day. At that time, we will have the Annual Report of 2019.