




First Federated
Church of Peoria

10:00 am Worship Service
December 9th, 2018

Second Sunday of Advent



*Please stand, if able.

 Please silence cell phones.

Welcome to Worship at First Federated Church!

If You Are New to First Federated Church:

We invite you to stop by the Commons for coffee and Fellowship Hour after worship. Information pamphlets about church programs and volunteer opportunities are available.

A Handicap and Family Bathroom is located in the hallway outside the Commons on the first floor.

During Today's Worship - Questions? Ask an Usher.

Large print hymnals, individual listening devices and reading glasses are available in the Narthex for an improved worship experience. Worship also can be heard through the speakers in the Lounge and the Commons.

Worship bags, containing quiet activities, are available in the front & back of the sanctuary by the ushers' stands. Children who are attending worship in the sanctuary are invited to borrow one of these bags.

Childcare is available for your infant or small child during 10:00 a.m. worship each Sunday. The nursery is located next to the Chapel. See one of the ushers for directions.

Kids' Kingdom Sunday School is provided each week during worship. Preschoolers - 5th grade go to the chapel briefly for announcements and offering before being led to separate Sunday school rooms. 6th - 12th grade have separate Junior and Senior High events. All classes last until approximately 11:00 am. Schedule varies during summer months.

Please pass the Pew Friendship Pads so that we know your name and all worshipers have an opportunity to provide up-to-date information and sign up for special events. If you are a visitor, please be sure to give us your address so that we can send you a note.

For pastoral care, to notify the church of illnesses, hospitalizations, or deaths, to pass along a prayer request, please call the church office at 685-5258 or e-mail: info@ffcpeoria.com.

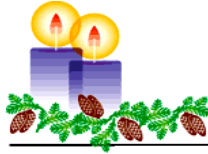
Please silence your cell phones when in the sanctuary.

PRELUDE

NEWS OF THE CHURCH

CALL TO WORSHIP

Come Now, O Prince of Peace
Chancel Choir



LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

Peace
The O'Laughlin Family

CHORAL RESPONSE

Light One Candle
Chancel Choir

GATHERING PRAYER

(Unison)

You brought all things into being and know the secrets of the furthest galaxies as well as those within the hidden universe of the human heart. May we always hope in Your faithful love, which surrounds us all our days. Amen.

* **HYMN** *Come Thou, Long Expected Jesus* No. 125
Chalice Hymnal

ANTHEM *Every Valley* Victor C. Johnson
Chancel Choir



— **TIME WITH THE GROWING CHURCH** —

Jesus once said that unless we receive the Kingdom as a child we cannot enter into it. This time spent with the youngest members of our worshipping congregation reminds us of the great truth that all of us are children of God and that all of us need to grow in wisdom and in faith.

Children of all ages are invited to come forward for a children's message. Following the Lord's Prayer all children are invited to Sunday school. Parents are welcome to accompany hesitant children. Visitors are welcome!

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All children, Preschool through 5th grade should be picked up by their parents or guardian in the following location following worship:

Preschool - Preschool Palace

Kindergarten, 1st and 2nd Grades - Fellowship Hall Stage

3rd, 4th and 5th Grades - Upper Room

Junior Highs (6th - 8th Grades) - Junior High Room, 3rd floor

Senior Highs (9th - 12th Grades) - Remain in worship

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GATHERING HYMN

Let Them Come

(Children please come forward during the “Gathering Hymn”)

***Let them come, let them come,
let the children come to me.
I have time, I have time, said the Savior tenderly.
Let them come, let them come,
please don't send them away.
I have time, let them come, let them stay.***

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Jessica Sheley

LORD'S PRAYER

(Unison)

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.

DEPARTING HYMN

Praise Him, Praise Him, All Ye Little Children

(Please remain seated and sing this hymn for the children as they return to their families.)

***Praise Him, praise Him, all ye little children,
God is love, God is love:
Praise Him, praise Him, all ye little children,
God is love, God is love***

PRAYER OF CONFESSION OF SIN

(Unison)

Merciful God, always with us, always coming: We confess that we do not know how to prepare for Your Advent. We have forgotten how to hope in miracles; we have ignored the promise of Your kingdom; we get distracted by all the busyness of this season. Forgive us, Lord. Grant us the simple wonder of the shepherds, the intelligent courage of the Magi, and the patient faith of Mary and Joseph, so that we may journey with them to Bethlehem and find the good news of a child born for us. Now, in the quiet of our hearts, we ask You to make us ready for His coming. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

* GLORIA PATRI

(Unison)

No. 35

(“Gloria Patri” literally means “Glory to the Father.”

This ancient response has been sung by the Church for nearly two thousand years.)

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.

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

EPISTLE LESSON

Philippians 1:3-11

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New Testament, Pew Bible

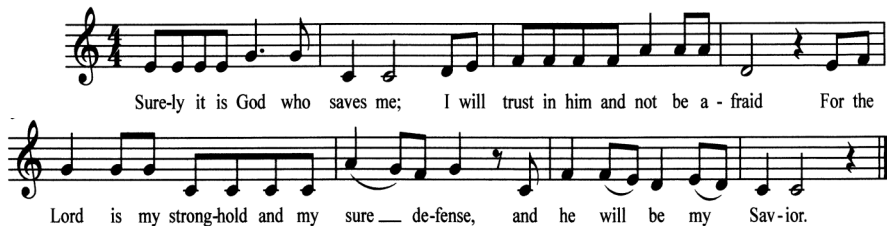
HYMN

Angels, from the Realms of Glory

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Chalice Hymnal

* RESPONSE



Sure-ly it is God who saves me; I will trust in him and not be a - fraid For the
Lord is my strong-hold and my sure — de-fense, and he will be my Sav-ior.

* POSTLUDE

*I am glad that you could worship with us today.
If you are exploring faith for the first time,
seeking to reconnect with your faith, or
searching for a church home and would like to
learn more about First Federated Church, please
introduce yourself to me after today's service.
You may also call me at (309) 685-5258 X. 101
or email at fkrummel@ffcpeoria.com.
I would enjoy a conversation with you!*



Rev. Frosty
Rev. Dr. Forrest Krummel, Jr.

CELLIST: Aaron Gottl

*Thank You to Sid & Flo Banwart for
underwriting his services this morning.*

TODAY'S LITURGIST

Shane Richardson

SENIOR MINISTER

Rev. Dr. Forrest Krummel, Jr.

MINISTER OF PASTORAL CARE

Rev. Stephen Barch

DIRECTOR OF CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Jessica Sheley

DIRECTOR OF MUSIC AND WORSHIP

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ORGANIST

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or Rev. Frosty Krummel, Senior.

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