



First Federated
Church of Peoria

10:00 am Worship Service
December 30th, 2018

Praise *the*
LORD!
Praise *the*
LORD
from the
HEAVENS;
praise him
in the heights!

Psalm 148:1, NRSV

*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

INTROIT *Come and Find the Quiet Center*
Chancel Choir

CALL TO WORSHIP

(Psalm 148)

(Responsive)

Leader: Praise the LORD!
 Praise the LORD from the heavens;
 praise him in the heights!

***Congregation: Praise him, all his angels; praise
him, all his host!***

Leader: Praise him, sun and moon;
 praise him, all you shining stars!

***Congregation: Praise him, you highest heavens,
and you waters above the
heavens!***

Leader: Let them praise the name of the LORD,
 for he commanded and they were
 created.

***Congregation: He established them forever and
ever; he fixed their bounds, which
cannot be passed.***

Leader: Praise the LORD from the earth,
 you sea monsters and all deeps,

***Congregation: fire and hail, snow and frost,
stormy wind fulfilling his
command!***

Leader: Mountains and all hills,
fruit trees and all cedars!

***Congregation: Wild animals and all cattle,
creeping things and flying birds!***

Leader: Kings of the earth and all peoples,
princes and all rulers of the earth!

***Congregation: Young men and women alike,
old and young together!***

Leader: Let them praise the name of
the LORD, for his name alone is
exalted; his glory is above earth and
heaven.

***Congregation: He has raised up a horn for his
people, praise for all his faithful,
for the people of Israel who are
close to him.***

ALL: Praise the LORD!

OPENING HYMN

Once in Royal David's City

No. 165
Chalice Hymnal

INVITATION TO CONFESSION

*(All have sinned and fallen short of the glory of God. Therefore we
join together in confession.)*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

(Unison, after a moment of silent reflection)

Lord, it's only a few days after the Christmas celebration and we are exhausted. People have come and gone; gatherings are winding down; we are being reminded of the "normalcy" of life returning to us. We don't want to go there just yet. We want to linger in the warmth of the season. Forgive us when we don't seem to feel Your warmth in our lives all the time. Forgive us when we assign warmth only to Christmas, and then to Easter and seem to dwell on the mundane the rest of the time. Give us courage to live as people of the Light, those who find Your comforting, encouraging presence in our lives at all times. Strengthen us for joyful service in Your name. 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.



— 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!

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

Preschool through 5th Grade - Junior High room, 3rd floor
Junior Highs (6th - 8th Grades) - Junior High Room, 3rd floor
Senior Highs (9th - 12th Grades) - Remain in worship

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 depart for Sunday school)

***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 ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

I Samuel 2:18-20, 26

Pg. 241

Old Testament, Pew Bible

INVITATION TO BRING OUR OFFERINGS TO GOD

OFFERTORY

*Come Christians Join and Sing
Joseph Dearest, Dearest
Chancel Bell Choir*

*** DOXOLOGY**

(Unison)

No. 46

Chalice Hymnal

***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 DEDICATION**

EPISTLE LESSON

Colossians 3:12-17

Pg. 186

New Testament, Pew Bible

HYMN*Infant Holy, Infant Lowly*

No. 163

*Chalice Hymnal***GOSPEL LESSON***Luke 2:41-52*

Pg. 54

*New Testament, Pew Bible***ANTHEM***All Things Bright and Beautiful*

arr. Richard Shephard

Flute: Eva Corona

Chancel Bells: Betty Crusen and Laura Racine

Chancel Choir

PRAYER OF INTERCESSION**SERMON***God in the Silence*

Rev. Dr. Forrest Krummel, Jr.

*** CLOSING HYMN***For the Beauty of the Earth*

Pg. 56

*Chalice Hymnal**** BENEDICTION**

(The Benediction reminds us of God's love and challenges us to live out our Discipleship in our daily lives.)

* 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

A Word About Worship at First Federated Church

From its beginning, the Christian community has gathered on the first day of the week to hear the scriptures read and proclaimed as well as celebrate or Lord's Supper (Eucharist). Our worship always begins with God. It is God who takes the initiative and calls us into be. In the name of Christ we respond to God's call and assemble as a community of faith.

Call to Worship. Words from scripture are spoken or sung to remind us who God is and what God has done. This "call to worship" often include a Prelude and Introit.

Hymns. Worshipers sing praise to God that proclaim God's greatness, majesty, love and goodness.

Confession. Worshipers are called acknowledge that no one is perfect. We are called to confess the reality of sin in our personal as well as our communal life. Claiming the promises of God sealed in baptism, we humbly confess our sin.

Prayer for Illumination. This prayer seeks illumination of the Holy Spirit and calls upon God to make us receptive to the life-changing Word, which come to us through the scriptures.

Sermon. When the Bible has been read, its message is proclaimed in a sermon or other form of exposition of God's Word. The God who speaks in scripture speaks to us now. The God who acted in biblical history acts today. Through the Holy Spirit, Christ is present in the sermon, offering grace and calling for obedience. The proclamation of God's Word in scripture and sermon invites a response of faith.

Affirmation of Faith. A response to the proclamation of the Word, worshipers may affirm the faith by saying or singing a creed of the faith or through music, hymn, spiritual or song.

Baptism. Except in extraordinary circumstances, Baptism is celebrated in the context of worship. As with the Lord's Supper, Baptism is a sign and act of God's love by which God's grace is made visible.

Lord's Supper (The Eucharist). In New Testament times the celebration of the Eucharist on each Lord's Day was the norm. One of the Church's two sacraments (the other being Baptism) is was given to us by Christ. In this sacrament the promises of God is made visible and concrete.

Pastoral Rites. Response to the Word may include other acts of commitment and recognition, such as marriage, ordination and installation of church officers, and commissioning for Christian service.

Prayers. In response to the Word, prayers are offered acknowledging God's presence in the world and in daily life.

Charge and Benediction. This is the formal dismissal that concludes the worship service. The Charge reminds worshipers that God sends us into the world to be a light that shines brightly in the midst of darkness. The Benediction is a blessing.

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.*

TODAY'S LITURGIST

Cindy Morris

SENIOR MINISTER

Rev. Dr. Forrest Krummel, Jr.

MINISTER OF PASTORAL CARE

Rev. Stephen Barch

DIRECTOR OF CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Jessica Sheley

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