

Hope

Wonderful
Counsellor

Mighty
God

EVERLASTING
Father

PRINCE of
Peace



* Please stand, if able.

 Please silence cell phones.

Welcome to Worship at

Please "CHECK IN" using your favorite Social Media prior to service

- @ffcpeoria / #ffcpeoria
- Please silence your devices during service
- Please LIKE, FOLLOW and SHARE our Facebook and YouTube pages

Please pass the Pew Friendship Pads:

- VISITORS ~ please share your name & contact information, we'd love to stay in touch!
- MEMBERS ~ keep us up to date on contact information, sign up for and volunteer for special events, service projects and small group studies!

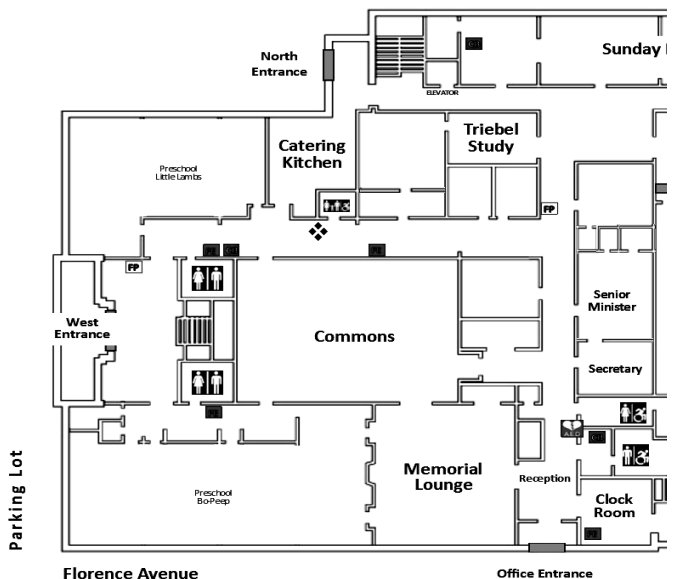
Worship Aids:

- 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.
- Children's 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.

Pastoral Care:

- Please contact the church office to pass along a prayer request or of births, illnesses, hospitalizations, or deaths.
- Call 685-5258 or e-mail: info@ffcpeoria.com.

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



First Federated Church!

Questions?

- Look for our HOSPITALITY TASK FORCE VOLUNTEERS!
- They'll be the ones looking for you with "ASK ME" buttons!

Sunday School is provided each week during 10 am worship.

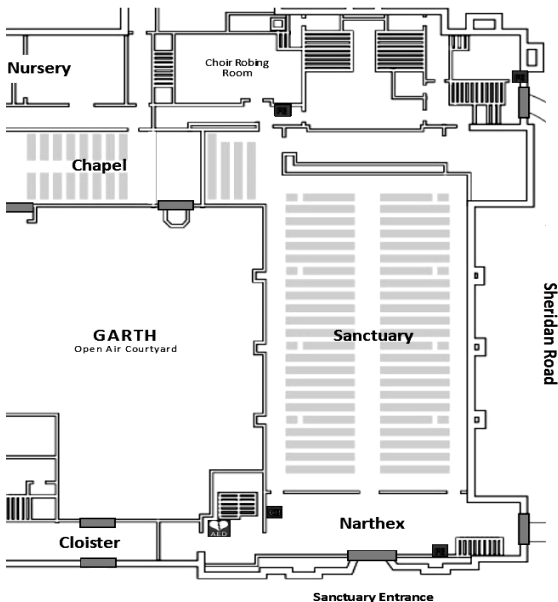
- Preschoolers - 5th grade go to the chapel briefly for announcements and offering before being led to separate Sunday school rooms.
- 6th - 8th grade have Junior High Sunday school classes and fellowship.
- Senior High students, 9th - 12th grades, remain in worship and attend Sunday school and fellowship events on Sunday evenings at 5:30 pm.
- Classes during worship on Sunday mornings last until approximately 11:00 am.
- Schedule varies during summer months.

Childcare Nursery is available:

- Nursery facilities are available for your infant or small child during our 10 am worship each Sunday.
- The nursery is located next to the Chapel. See one of our greeters for directions.

We invite you to fellowship following service:

- Stop by the Commons for coffee and Fellowship after worship.
- Information pamphlets about church programs and volunteer opportunities are available.



Please silence your devices during our worship service.



First Federated Church of Peoria

10:00 am Worship
Sunday, December 1st, 2019

PRELUDE

NEWS OF THE CHURCH

INTROIT

One Candle Is Lit

No. 128, Chancel Hymnal

Chancel Choir

CHRISTMAS CATALOG MISSION MOMENT

Carl Cannon and the Elite Choir

CALL TO WORSHIP

Lighting of the Advent Wreath

Hope

The Gordon Family

SPECIAL MUSIC

In The Bleak Midwinter arr. Geschke

FFC Chancel Bells

* 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.***

*** HYMN**

Come, O Long-Expected Jesus

No. 125, Chalice Hymnal

ANTHEM

Angel's Carol
Chancel Choir

John Rutter



— **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 - Preschool Palace (2nd floor)

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

3rd, 4th and 5th Grades - Upper Room (2nd floor)

GATHERING HYMN

Let Them Come

(Children please come forward during this “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

DEPARTING HYMN

Praise Him, Praise Him, All Ye Little Children

(Please remain seated, 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.***

CALL TO CONFESSION

Leader: Friends, we are in the presence of the Holy God. Let us humbly confess our neediness and ask for grace and mercy. Let us pray.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

(Unison)

We confess to You, O God, that we have fallen asleep. We often go through the motions and live our daily lives without much thought outside of ourselves. Forgive us for our shortsightedness. Forgive us for not being awake to the wonders and signs that You are doing something new in our world and in our lives. Help us to seek You in the face of others. Call us into Your ways of love and justice, so that we might be fully awake, watching and waiting for Your return in our world and in our lives in a new way. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

(Responsive)

Leader: O Holy Child of Bethlehem, descend to us, we pray. Cast out our sin and enter in, be born in us today. As we wait for Christmas, we know that Christ has already come into our world and lives, has already been born in us. We are renewed and restored. Go and share the good news of God's love and restoration

ALL: Amen.

*** GLORIA PATRI** (Unison) No. 35, Chalice Hymnal

(“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

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Luke 1:68-79

Pg. 53, New Testament, Pew Bible

THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

HYMN

Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence

Pg. 124, Chalice Hymnal

SERMON

The Benedictus

Rev. Dr. Forrest Krummel, Jr.

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

The United Church of Christ and Presbyterian Church (USA) traditions recognize an “unfenced” Communion table. You are invited to eat and drink the elements as you receive them.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

Leader: The Lord be with you.

Congregation: And also with you.

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

Congregation: We lift them to the Lord.

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

Congregation: It is right for us to give thanks and praise.

Leader:

THE 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.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

BREAKING OF BREAD

THE COMMUNION

PRAYER

*** APOSTLES' CREED**

(Traditional) (Unison)

(The Apostles' Creed is an ancient statement of
Christian faith that dates from 180 A.D.)

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

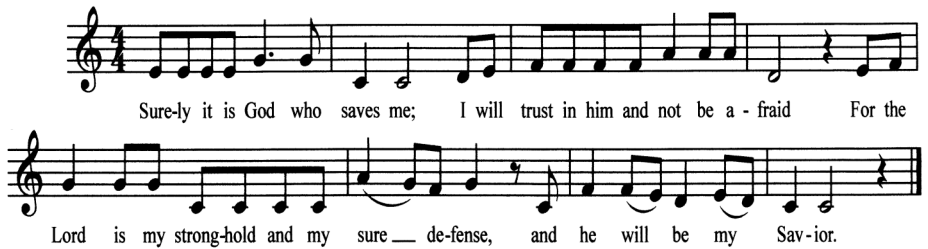
*** CLOSING HYMN**

People, Look East

No. 142, Chalice Hymnal

*** BENEDICTION**

*** 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.*

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**PASTORAL MINISTRY
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Contact the church office at 309-685-5258 if you would like a visit from Rev. Steve Barch, our Pastoral Minister, or Rev. Frosty Krummel.

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