

Joy

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12/15

10 am

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!

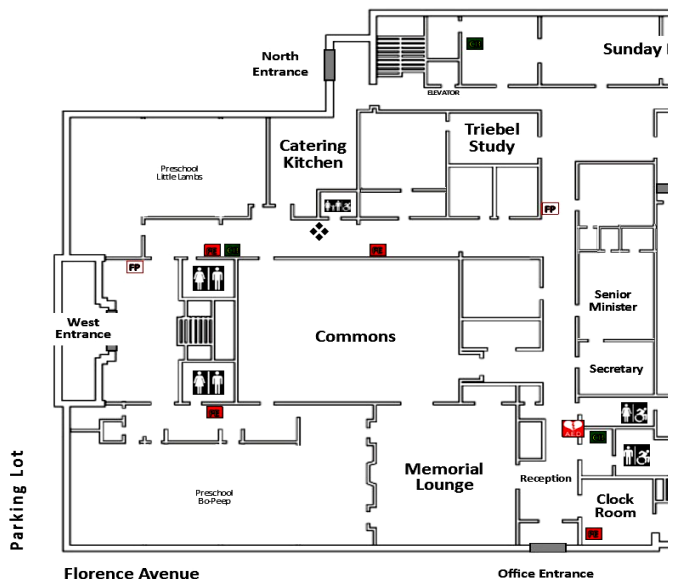
Worship Aids:

- 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.

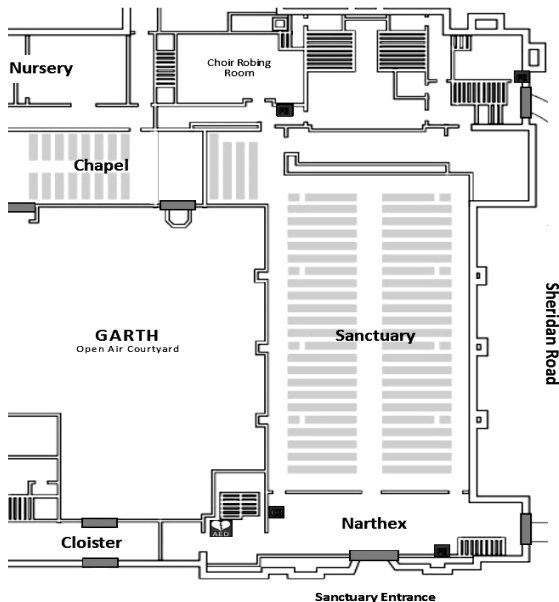
- Preschoolers - 5th grade go to the chapel briefly for announcements and offering before being led to separate Sunday school rooms.
- 6th - 8th grade have Junior High Sunday school classes and fellowship.
- Senior High students, 9th - 12th grades, remain in worship and attend Sunday school and fellowship 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 15th, 2019

PRELUDE

NEWS OF THE CHURCH

INTROIT

CHRISTMAS CATALOG MISSION MOMENT

Friends of Central Illinois

CALL TO WORSHIP

Isaiah 35:1-3

(Responsive)

Leader: The wilderness and the dry land shall
be glad, the desert shall rejoice and
blossom;

***Congregation: Like the crocus it shall blossom
abundantly, and rejoice with joy
and singing.***

***All: They shall see the glory of the
Lord, the majesty of our God.***

* 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** *Hark, The Herald Angels Sing*
No. 150, Chalice Hymnal

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

Light One Candle
FFC Chancel Choir / Russel Boulton
Joy
The Hackett Family

CALL TO CONFESSION

Leader: Advent is a time to prepare our hearts for the coming of Christ. Have we prepared our hearts this week or has Christ been crowded out of Advent? Let us confess our sins together.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

(Unison)

Merciful Savior, we have the best of intentions, wanting to create memorable celebrations of your incarnation. We confess, though, that we get off track. We are dazzled by shiny lights and beautifully decorated trees, yet fail to be your light to a hurting world. We run from one holiday event to the next, yet fail to stop and be a Good Samaritan to those who need food and shelter. We sing Christmas carols at every opportunity yet fail to share the Good News of your love to those for whom the holidays bring depression, grief, loneliness and despair. Forgive us, we pray. Restore to us a joy in the sacred, in the simple, and in being in your presence as redeemed children of God. We pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

(Responsive)

Leader: God so loved the world that Jesus, God's only Son, came into the world to redeem everyone who believes.

ALL: ***Thanks be to God! We are forgiven
because of Jesus Christ. Hallelujah!
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 2:ish

Pg. 52, New Testament, Pew Bible

HYMN

It Came Upon a Midnight Clear

No. 153, Chalice Hymnal

(Children please come forward during this hymn)

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PAGEANT

THE OFFERING

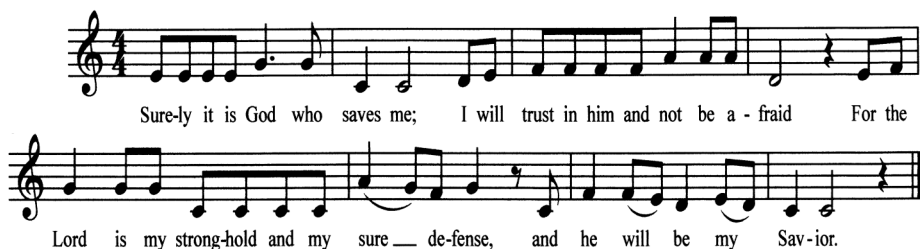
OFFERTORY *O Little Town*
Oh, Come All Ye Faithful
The First Noel
3rd through 5th Grade Bells Chimes

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*** 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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Cheryl Resnick

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ORGANIST / PIANIST

Joel Harper

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**PASTORAL MINISTRY
AND HOME COMMUNION**

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