

Love

Mighty
God

Wonderful
Counsellor

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!

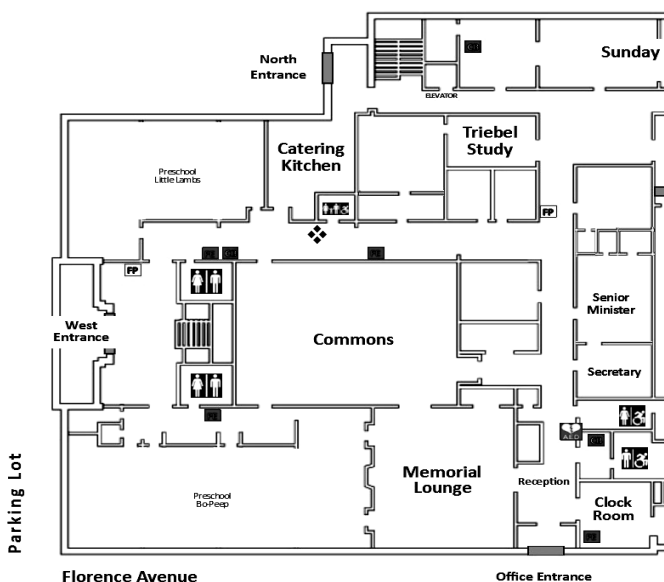
Worship Aids:

- 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.

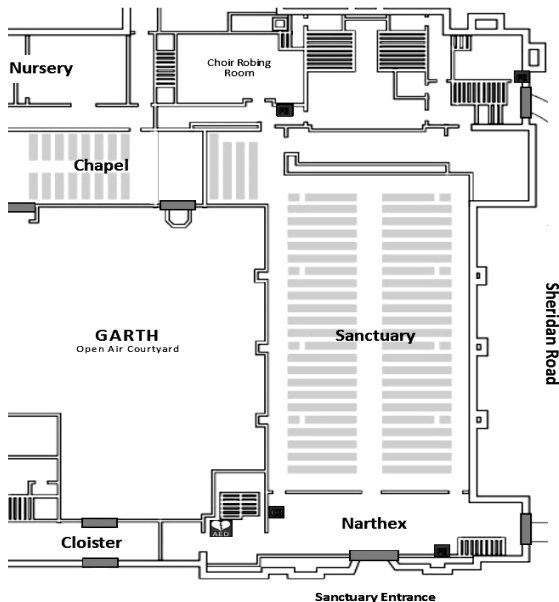
- Preschoolers - 5th grade go to the chapel briefly for announcements and offering before being led to separate Sunday school rooms.
- 6th - 8th grade have Junior High Sunday school classes and fellowship.
- Senior High students, 9th - 12th grades, remain in worship and attend Sunday school and fellowship 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 Service
Sunday, December 22nd, 2019

PRELUDE

NEWS OF THE CHURCH

CHRISTMAS CATALOG MISSION MOMENT

CALL TO WORSHIP

Isaiah 35:1

(Responsive)

Leader: God will give you a sign, "Look,
the young woman is with child.

Congregation: *She shall bear a son, and name
him Emmanuel: "God is with
us"*

* 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 *Angels We Have Heard on High*

No. 155, Chalice Hymnal

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

Light One Candle
FFC Chancel Choir / Russel Boulton
Love
The Nelson Family

CALL TO CONFESSION

Leader: Advent is a season of waiting - a waiting that is anything but passive. As we prepare to make room for Christ to dwell within us, we acknowledge our own sin, which stands in the way of living the fullness of life God promises in Christ. Let us be truthful with God, in the presence of one another. Let us give God the gift of our honest and humble confession.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

(Unison)

Loving Lord, Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world, have mercy on us. We have been lukewarm disciples. We have lacked the zeal of John the Baptist. Instead of letting our voices cry out in the wilderness, our cries have been weak and halfhearted. Instead of proclaiming the gospel with conviction, we have shrugged and stammered. Instead of

clothing ourselves in humility and faith, we have put on power and prestige. Instead of giving You the glory, we have puffed ourselves up with pride. Forgive us. Transform us into authentic and wholehearted discipleship. In Jesus' name. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Leader: "Comfort, O comfort my people, says our God. Speak tenderly to Jerusalem, and cry to her that she has served her term, that her penalty is paid, that she has received from the Lord's hand double for all her sins." Friends, believe the good news! In the grace and love of God, we are forgiven.

*** 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.***



— 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 - 5th Grades - Junior High Room, 3rd floor
Movie and popcorn

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

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.

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.*

ANTHEM

Waiting for Bethlehem's Light

Dale Patterson

FFC Chancel Choir

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

GOSPEL LESSON

Luke 1:47-55

Pg. 52, New Testament, Pew Bible

HYMN

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

Pg. 119, Chalice Hymnal

SERMON

The Magnificat: Mary's Song

The second in the Advent sermon series "The Songs of Advent"

Rev. Dr. Forrest Krummel, Jr.

PRAYER OF INTERCESSION

OFFERING

OFFERTORY

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

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FFC Chancel Bells

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

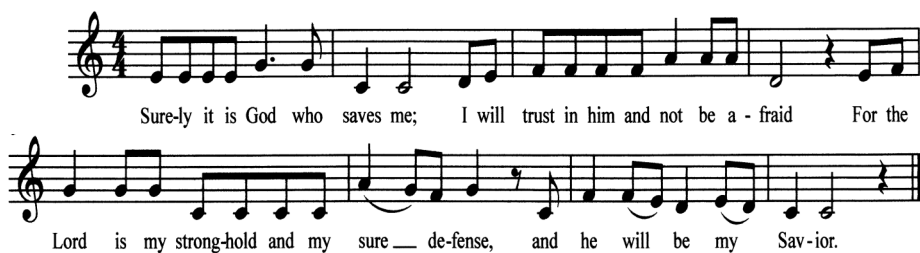
*** HYMN**

Go, Tell It On the Mountain

No. 167, Chalice Hymnal

*** BENEDICTION**

* RESPONSE



* POSTLUDE



O Come, let us adore him!

Tuesday, December 24th
Christmas Eve

Worship Schedule

2:00 pm ~ Christmas Eve Afternoon Service
5:00 pm ~ Christmas Eve Candlelight Family Service
11:00 pm ~ Christmas Eve Candlelight Service

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 our 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 includes a Prelude and Introit.

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

Confession. Worshipers are called to 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 comes 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) was given to us by Christ. In this sacrament the promises of God are 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.

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Rev. Stephen Barch

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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,
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