

**First
Presbyterian
Church** IN VICTOR
WHOEVER YOU ARE.
HOWEVER YOU HAVE COME.
YOU ARE WELCOME HERE.



First Presbyterian Church

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Order of Worship **January 28, 2024, 10am**
(*Please stand if you are able.)

Prelude "Prelude in G" by J.S. Bach

Welcome & Announcements

***Call to Worship** *Psalm 111*

Praise the LORD!

I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart

Great are the works of the LORD

The works of God's hands are faithful and trustworthy.

They are established forever and ever,

Awe of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom;

All those who practice it have a good understanding.

God's praise endures forever.

***Opening Hymn** *GTG No. 634* "To God Be the Glory"

Gathering Prayer

Unison Prayer of Confession

Holy and merciful God, in your presence we confess our failure to be what you created us to be. You alone know how often we have sinned in wandering from your ways, in wasting your gifts, in forgetting your love.

By your loving mercy, help us to live in your light and abide in your ways, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Savior.

Assurance of Pardon

***Passing the Peace**

Time with Children

Prayer of Illumination

Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit, that as the scriptures are read and your Word is proclaimed, we may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen.

Scripture Readings

Deuteronomy 18:15-20

"The Lord your God will raise up for you a prophet like me from among your own people; you shall heed such a prophet.
(cont.)

Scripture Readings (cont.)

This is what you requested of the Lord your God at Horeb on the day of the assembly when you said, 'Let me not hear again the voice of the Lord my God or see this great fire any more, lest I die.' Then the Lord replied to me, 'They are right in what they have said. I will raise up for them a prophet like you from among their own people; I will put my words in the mouth of the prophet, who shall speak to them everything that I command. Anyone who does not heed the words that the prophet shall speak in my name, I myself will hold accountable. But any prophet who presumes to speak in my name a word that I have not commanded the prophet to speak or who speaks in the name of other gods, that prophet shall die.'

Mark 1:21-28

They went to Capernaum, and when the Sabbath came, he entered the synagogue and taught. They were astounded at his teaching, for he taught them as one having authority and not as the scribes. Just then there was in their synagogue a man with an unclean spirit, and he cried out, "What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are, the Holy One of God." But Jesus rebuked him, saying, "Be quiet and come out of him!" And the unclean spirit, convulsing him and crying with a loud voice, came out of him. They were all amazed, and they kept on asking one another, "What is this? A new teaching—with authority! He commands even the unclean spirits, and they obey him." At once his fame began to spread throughout the surrounding region of Galilee.

Sermon

"By Who's Authority?"

*Hymn of Response GTG #727 v.1-5

"The Servant Song"

Offering

*Doxology

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Prayers of the People & The Lord's Prayer

*Closing Hymn GTG No. 65 "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"

Benediction

Postlude

"Canon in D" by Johann Pachelbel



Welcome Visitors!

Thank you for the gift of your presence here this morning. We are so glad you have chosen to spend this time in this space. Please know you are invited to participate in any way that is most helpful for you. You are not expected to announce your presence, but you are most welcome to reach out to anyone here. You are invited to fellowship following worship downstairs in Corey Hall and we would love to share a coffee and a chat. If you would like to have us reach out to you in the days ahead, please fill out the Visitor Card in the pew and drop it in the Offering plate or use the *QR code below*.

If you are here with children, that is wonderful, and they are welcome too. Sunday School is offered *during the school year* during the worship service for youth ages 4 through grade 6, following the Children's Time. Youth Group Sunday School is also offered for children in 6th grade and up every other Sunday. The Infant Care Room, equipped so users can hear and watch the service, is located at the top of the eastern stairs in the back of the sanctuary.

It is good to have you here. Welcome.

Interested in becoming a member?

Please call or email our pastor, Rev. Michael McNamara

