



## Sunday School News

Happy New Year! Regular Sunday school classes will resume on January 9<sup>th</sup>. Masks are still required for Sunday school attendance.

Date Lesson

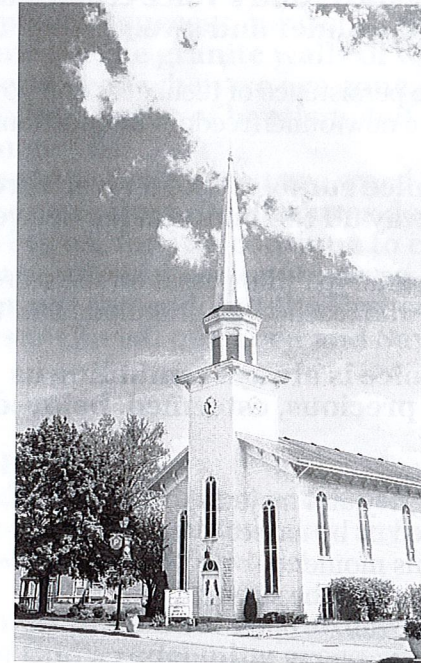
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| January 9, 2022  | The Lamb of God     |
| January 16, 2022 | United in Christ    |
| January 23, 2022 | The Beatitudes      |
| January 30, 2022 | Worship and Justice |
- January 17th- Martin Luther King Day

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***Thank you to these members who are  
helping with worship today-  
Greeters & Coffee Hour: Nancy & Bruce Fisher***

# First Presbyterian Church IN VICTOR

**WHOEVER YOU ARE.  
HOWEVER YOU HAVE COME.  
YOU ARE WELCOME HERE.**



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Organist Ayn Patrowicz

**Order of Worship**                      **January 9th, 2022, 10am**  
**\*Please stand if you are able.**

**Prelude**                      “How Firm a Foundation” arr. by John Purifoy

**Welcome & Announcements**

**Call to Worship**

One: Like the soft whisper of a little child singing  
to herself before anyone else in the house is awake,

**All: ever so gently, God's voice cradles us  
with songs of wonder and awe.**

One: With the persistence of teenagers and young adults,  
heady with the newfound freedom of questioning everything,

**All: God's voice rumbles like a river through our lives,  
sweeping away all the boundaries between us.**

One: Like the grandpa who passes on the secret to his bread,  
like the nana who teaches her grandkids how to drive,

**All: God's voice is always reminding us  
that we are precious, esteemed, beloved.**

**Opening Prayer**

Holy God of glory and majesty,  
you have called us by name.

We pray in this moment  
for the courage and the strength  
to answer your call.

As we open our ears  
to hear the story of your Son's baptism,  
open our hearts also,

that we may experience again  
the renewing power of rebirth  
in the Holy Spirit.

Inspire us in this time of worship,  
that we may claim our own identity  
as your beloved children.

We pray in the name of our brother, Jesus Christ. Amen.

**Hymn #361**

“How Firm a Foundation”

**Call to Confession**

Broken? God promises to make us whole. Lost? God promises  
to come and find us, gather us up, and bring us home.  
Confused about tomorrow? God promises our future is  
grounded in love. Let us confess that, though we have heard the  
promises over and over, we have trouble believing them, as we  
pray together saying,

**Unison Prayer for Forgiveness**

**We know what it is like to be singed by the flames of  
our lives, Holy God. We look for ourselves in all the  
wrong places - success, power, adulation. We carve  
our names in the granite walls of work, hoping we will  
be remembered when we are gone. We have gone  
through the waters of baptism, but live as if they have  
not changed us.**

**We need to hear your sure word, 'do not fear,'  
Shaper of our lives. Our failures do not cause you to  
quit loving us, for you continue to claim us, gathering  
us up in your compassionate arms. In our baptism, we  
discover not the end, but the first step of our journey  
with Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior.**

*Silence is kept*

**Assurance of Pardon**

One: God's words of comfort and restoration are more powerful  
than any foolishness, any mistakes, any sins we commit. This is  
good news: we are God's people!

**All: Thanks be to God! By water and word, by the  
Spirit of God's redeeming grace, we are marked and  
sealed as God's beloved children. Amen.**

**Scripture Readings**

Isaiah 43:1-7

43 But now thus says the Lord,  
he who created you, O Jacob,  
he who formed you, O Israel:  
Do not fear, for I have redeemed you;  
I have called you by name, you are mine.

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## Scripture Readings (cont.)

Isaiah 43:1-7

- 2 When you pass through the waters, I will be with you;  
and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you;  
when you walk through fire you shall not be burned,  
and the flame shall not consume you.
- 3 For I am the Lord your God,  
the Holy One of Israel, your Savior.  
I give Egypt as your ransom,  
Ethiopia and Seba in exchange for you.
- 4 Because you are precious in my sight,  
and honored, and I love you,  
I give people in return for you,  
nations in exchange for your life.
- 5 Do not fear, for I am with you;  
I will bring your offspring from the east,  
and from the west I will gather you;
- 6 I will say to the north, "Give them up,"  
and to the south, "Do not withhold;"  
bring my sons from far away  
and my daughters from the end of the earth—
- 7 everyone who is called by my name,  
whom I created for my glory,  
whom I formed and made."

Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

15 As the people were filled with expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Messiah, 16 John answered all of them by saying, "I baptize you with water; but one who is more powerful than I is coming; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. 17 His winnowing fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire."

### The Baptism of Jesus

21 Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heaven was opened, 22 and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

## Message

"Claimed and Called"

## Hymn #322

"Spirit of the Living God"

### Invitation to Reaffirm Our Baptismal Covenant

We gather today to worship and praise the God of awe and majesty. We come to encounter the God who knows us each by name and who walks with us in intimate love. We come to reaffirm the blessing we have received through our baptism. In baptism, we remember God's saving actions throughout history, and we have the opportunity to answer yes as God whispers our names. As a community of God, we gather today at the waters of baptism to reaffirm our commitment to Christ and to experience anew the transforming power of the Holy Spirit.

### Offering

#### Special Music

"Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring" by J.S. Bach

### Unison Prayer of Dedication

**We offer our gifts in recognition that we are baptized people, transformed by the power of the Holy Spirit. So, we will hold nothing back but will share our lives, our hearts, our energies, as well as our efforts, in ministry to the world around us. This we pray in Jesus' name. Amen.**

### Prayers of the People and Lord's Prayer

When we baptize ourselves  
in the frigid waters of fear,  
you come to gather us up,  
drying us off with grace,  
wrapping us in the warm,  
fluffy towel of the Spirit.

When our faith becomes  
as threadbare as the  
carpet beneath our feet,  
you come, your work boots on,  
your tool belt around your waist,  
building a new foundation for us,  
whistling, 'my hope is built  
on nothing less . . .'

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## Prayers of the People and Lord's Prayer (cont.)

When we worry that someone  
else has taken our place in your heart,  
you show us where our name is etched,  
so you can always feel us  
with every beat.

God in Community, Holy in One,  
we lift our prayers of joy to you,  
even as we pray together saying,...

**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.**

**Closing Hymn** (see insert) "I Have Called You by Your Name"

## Benediction

One: Baptized, we will go to share God's love with others.

**All: We will welcome those the world rejects as our  
sisters and brothers.**

One: Baptized, we will become the grace of our Lord Jesus.

**All: We will share the waters of life with everyone we  
meet.**

One: Baptized, we will become the fellowship of the Holy Spirit.

**All: We will be a community of justice, not judgment;  
we will be a household of hope, not an exclusive club  
for just a few.**

**Postlude** "Lord, I Want to be a Christian" arr by Brian Glyncannon

# Church Calendar

## Sunday, January 9

10:00 am	Worship
11:15 am	Coffee Hour
11:30 am	Youth SS @ VUMC lounge
7:30 pm	A.A. & Al Anon

## Tuesday, January 11

10:00 am	Free Panera
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## Friday, January 14

7:00 pm	A.A. Meeting
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## Saturday, January 15

5-6:30 pm	Community Dinner
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Announcements and calendar of events  
can also be found in our weekly **eNews!**

\*The "Quiet Room" is available for anyone feeling the need to go to  
someplace quiet with their child(ren) but don't want to miss out on  
the service to do so. The audio of the worship is on a speaker in the  
room and the window overlooks the sanctuary.

## Winter Office Hours

Office: Monday- Thursday 9am-1pm  
office@victorpres.org

Pastor Nick: Mon-Thurs 9am-4pm  
pastor@victorpres.org

\*\*Please note: Pastor Nick will be on vacation  
through January 9th.

# 161 I Have Called You by Your Name

(Tu sais...je t'ai appelé(e) par ton nom)

Unison

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C<sup>7</sup>

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B<sup>b</sup>

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Musical notation for the first system, featuring a treble clef, a key signature of one flat (Bb), and a 3/4 time signature. The melody is written on a single staff. The lyrics are: 1 I have called you by your name, you are mine; 2 I will help you learn my name as you go; 3 I know you will need my touch as you go; 4 I have given you a name, it is mine;

Musical notation for the second system, continuing the melody from the first system. The lyrics are: I have gift-ed you and ask you now to shine. read it writ-ten in my peo-ple, help them grow. feel it pul-sing in cre-a-tion's ebb and flow. I have given you my Spir-it as a sign.

Musical notation for the third system, continuing the melody. The lyrics are: I will not a-ban-don you; all my prom-is-es are Pour the wa-ter in my name, speak the word your soul can Like the wo-man reach-ing out, choos-ing faith in spite of With my won-der in your soul, make my wound-ed chil-dren

Musical notation for the fourth system, continuing the melody. The lyrics are: true. You are gift-ed, called, and chos-en; you are mine. claim, of-fer Je-sus' bod-y giv-en long a-go. doubt, hold the hem of Je-sus' robe, then let it go. whole; go and tell my pre-cious peo-ple they are mine.

*A hymn for ordination, commitment, and commissioning.*

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