

*Thank you to these members who are
helping with worship today-*

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First Presbyterian Church IN VICTOR

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

PER CAPITA **SUNDAY**

JANUARY 22, 2023



First Presbyterian Church

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Pastor Nick Dorland

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Order of Worship **January 22, 2023, 10am**
3rd Sunday after Epiphany
***Please stand if you are able.**

Prelude “God is Here!” arr. by Lloyd Larson

Welcome & Announcements

***Call to Worship**

Creator God, because you make all that draws forth our praise and the forms in which to express it,
we praise you.

Because you make artists of us all, awakening courage to look again at what is taken for granted, grace to share these insights with others, vision to reveal the future already in being,
we praise you.

Because you form your Word among us, and in your great work embrace all human experience, even death itself, inspiring our resurrection song,
we praise you. Yours is the glory. Amen.

***Opening Hymn #469**

“Morning Has Broken”

Unison Prayer of Confession

Our Father in heaven, we thank you that you have led us into the light. We thank you for sending the Savior to call us from death to life. We confess that we were dead in sin before we heard his call, but when we heard him, like Lazarus, we arose. Like Lazarus the grave clothes bind us still. Old habits that we cannot throw off, old customs that are so much a part of our lives that hinder our ability to live the new life that Christ calls us to live. Give us strength, to break the bonds; give us courage to live a new life in you; give us faith to believe that with your help we cannot fail. All this we ask in the name of the Savior who has taught us to come to you. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

This is the message we have heard from God and proclaim to you, that God is light and in God there is no darkness at all. If we walk in the light, as God is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin.

***Gloria Patri**

***Passing the Peace**

Moment for All Ages

Unison Prayer for Illumination

Our Lord and our God, now as we hear your Word, fill us with your Spirit. Soften our hearts that we may delight in your presence. Sharpen our minds that we may discern your truth. Shape our wills that we may desire your ways. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Scripture Readings

Matthew 4:12-23

Jesus Begins His Ministry in Galilee

12 Now when Jesus heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew to Galilee. 13 He left Nazareth and made his home in Capernaum by the sea, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali, 14 so that what had been spoken through the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled:

15 “Land of Zebulun, land of Naphtali,
on the road by the sea, across the Jordan, Galilee of the gentiles—

16 the people who sat in darkness
have seen a great light,
and for those who sat in the region and shadow of death
light has dawned.”

17 From that time Jesus began to proclaim, “Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.”

Jesus Calls the First Disciples

18 As he walked by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea—for they were fishers. 19 And he said to them, “Follow me, and I will make you fishers of people.” 20 Immediately they left their nets and followed him. 21 As he went from there, he saw two other brothers, James son of Zebedee and his brother John, in the boat with their father Zebedee, mending their nets, and he called them. 22 Immediately they left the boat and their father and followed him.

Jesus Ministers to Crowds of People

23 Jesus went throughout all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and curing every disease and every sickness among the people.

Sermon "A Passion for People"

Hymn of Response GTG #170 "You Walk Along Our Shoreline"

Offering
***Doxology**

***Unison Prayer of Dedication**

Almighty God, giver of every good and perfect gift, teach us to render to you all that we have and all that we are, that we may praise you, not with our lips only, but with our whole lives, turning the duties, the sorrows, and the joys of all our days into a living sacrifice to you, through our Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

Father, as we remember how our Lord Jesus was identified by baptism with John's message of repentance and renewal, we pray for the renewal of humanity today and for the church as a means of renewal.

We pray for the welfare of nations and the wisdom of governments, for social justice and for racial harmony. May laws and policies dignify, not degrade, and may the arrival of your kingdom in Jesus be attested by the witness of Christians in every walk of life.

We pray for all who suffer loss and who are diminished by illness, by disappointment, or by the attitude of others. Support and strengthen these and all who are in the wilderness facing the testing of what they believe in.

We pray also for all who must die soon—both those who know it and those who do not. Confirm in every one of us that it is not for this life only that we have hope in Christ, and in the communion of all your baptized people may we find bonds forged between us that endure to all eternity.

Through Jesus Christ, our Lord who taught us to pray saying these words...

***Closing Song #369** "I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me"

***Benediction**

Postlude "God of Grace & God of Glory", arr. by Hal H. Hopson



Upcoming Church & Community events to add to your calendars:
details on each event in your eNews

Church Calendar

Sunday, January 22

10:00 am Worship Service
11:15 am Coffee Hour
7:30 pm A.A. & Al Anon

Tuesday, January 24

10:00 am Free Panera

Friday, January 27

7:00 pm A.A. Meeting

Saturday, January 28

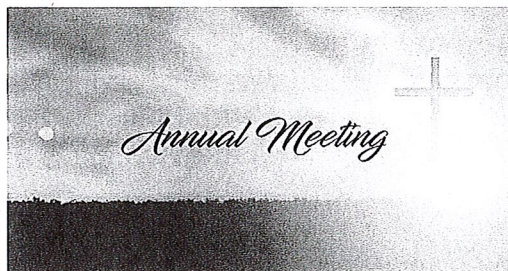
5-6:30 pm Community Dinner (Grilled Cheese)

The Deacons Fund is alive and well at the First Presbyterian Church. We provide gas cards and emergency help to people who come to our church for emergency needs. There are Deacon Fund envelopes in the sanctuary pews. We greatly appreciate all donations. Please use the envelopes provided in the pews and the donations can be put in the offering plates during worship or mailed to the church office. Thank you for your generosity!

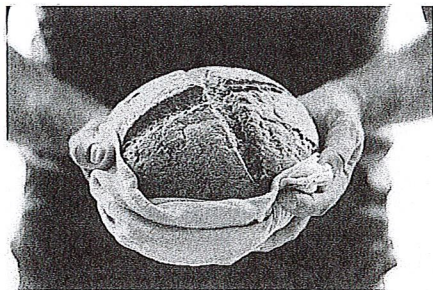
DEACONS' FUND



Mark your calendars: Our Annual Meeting will be held following worship on **Sunday, February 5, 2023**. The Annual Report will be emailed to all members sometime the week before.



Preparing communion is an important but sometimes overlooked opportunity to participate in the life of the church and serve God. We are in need of additional volunteers to help prepare the elements for communion each month. Please sign up on the volunteer schedule bulletin board in the Welcome Center, or email Courtney in the office if you would like to help.



Family Promise's First 2023 Baby Is Coming!

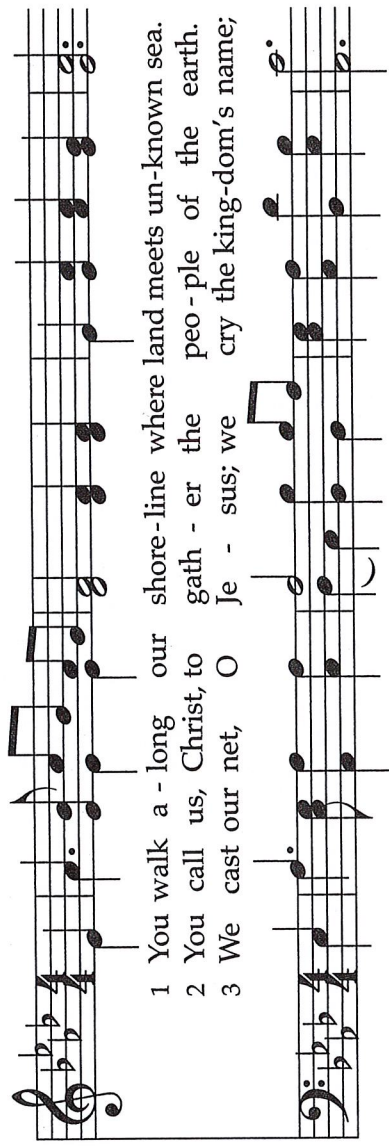
In November we asked the Family Promise community to throw a baby shower for a beloved graduate mom, and she was thrilled with your compassionate and generous response!

Another Family Promise mom is expecting a new baby this month. Like November's mom, she has little family support and is estranged from her baby's father. We hope you will play the part of friends and family for her. We've asked the mother to register for baby gifts on Amazon.com. If you click on the button below, it will take you directly to her virtual baby shower wish list. Any purchase you make will be delivered to our Day Center in Canandaigua, and we will get the gifts to the mother in our emergency apartment as soon as we receive them.

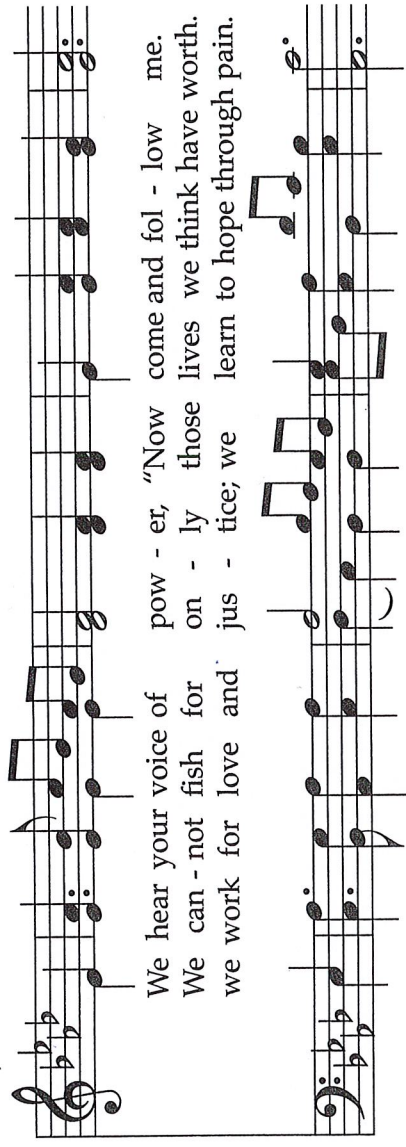
Family Promise is also soliciting furniture and household items in excellent condition to set up **four** new emergency apartments, and we need gas / grocery cards to support the families in our care. Our gift card box is almost empty! Can you help? Thank you as always for your compassionate generosity!



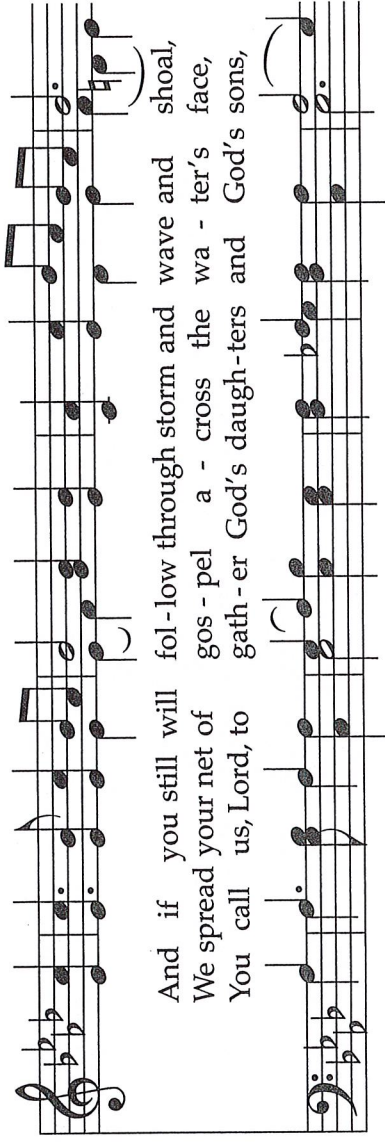
You Walk along Our Shoreline 170



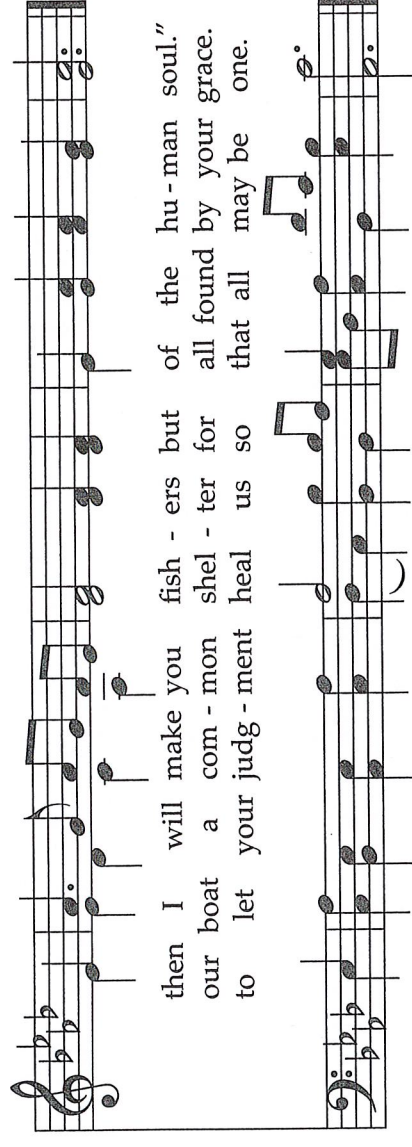
1 You walk a - long our shore - line where land meets un - known sea.
 2 You call us, Christ, to gath - er the peo - ple of the earth.
 3 We cast our net, O Je - sus; we cry the king - dom's name;



We hear your voice of pow - er, "Now come and fol - low me.
 We can - not fish for on - ly those lives we think have worth.
 we work for love and jus - tice; we learn to hope through pain.



And if you still will fol - low through storm and wave and shoal,
 We spread your net of gos - pel a - cross the wa - ter's face,
 You call us, Lord, to gath - er God's daugh - ters and God's sons,



then I will make you fish - ers but of the hu - man soul."
 our boat a com - mon shel - ter for all found by your grace.
 to let your judg - ment heal us so that all may be one.

Based on Jesus' calling of the disciples (Matthew 4:18-22 / Mark 1:16-20 / Luke 5:4-11), this hymn notes that their mode of fishing involved nets requiring the participation of more than one person. Likewise, in our work of love and justice we are called to bear witness in community.

369 I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me

I'M GONNA LIVE Irregular

African-American spiritual
Arr. Wendell Whalum (1932-1987)

African-American spiritual

1. I'm gon-na live so (live so)
 2. I'm gon-na work so (work so)
 3. I'm gon-na pray so (pray so)
 4. I'm gon-na sing so (sing so)

God can use me an - y - where, Lord,

an - y - time!

I'm gon-na live so (live so)
 I'm gon-na work so (work so)
 I'm gon-na pray so (pray so)
 I'm gon-na sing so (sing so)

God can

use me an - y - where, Lord, an - y - time! (an - y - time!)
 (my Lord,)

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