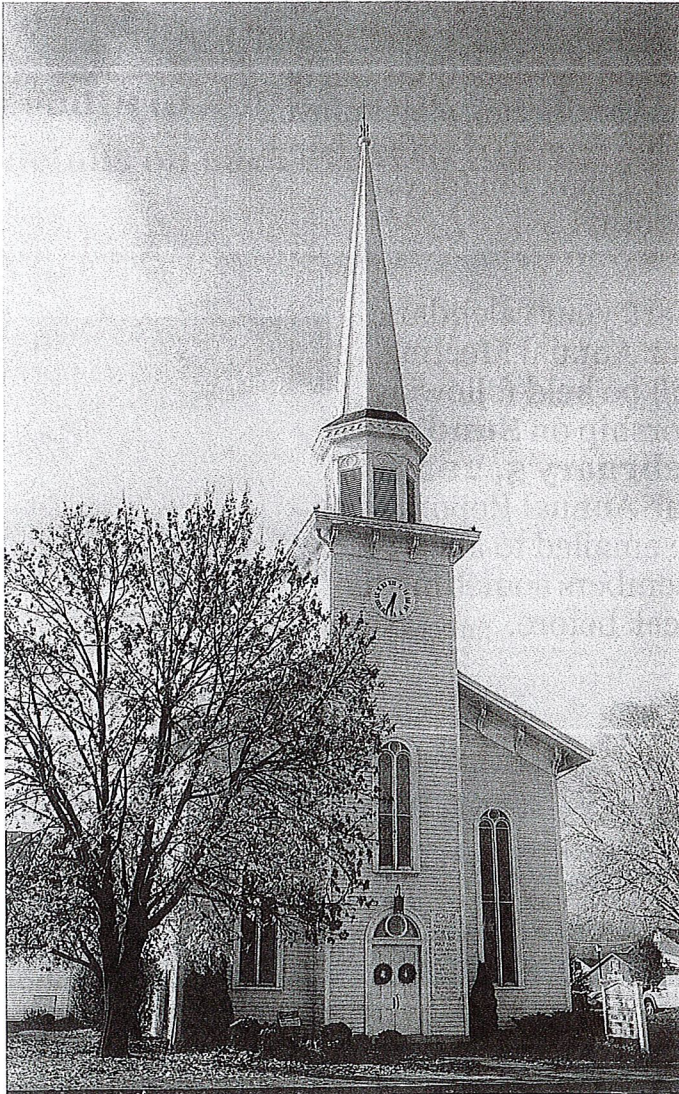


*Thank you to these members who are  
helping with worship today-*

*AV: Bill Martz*

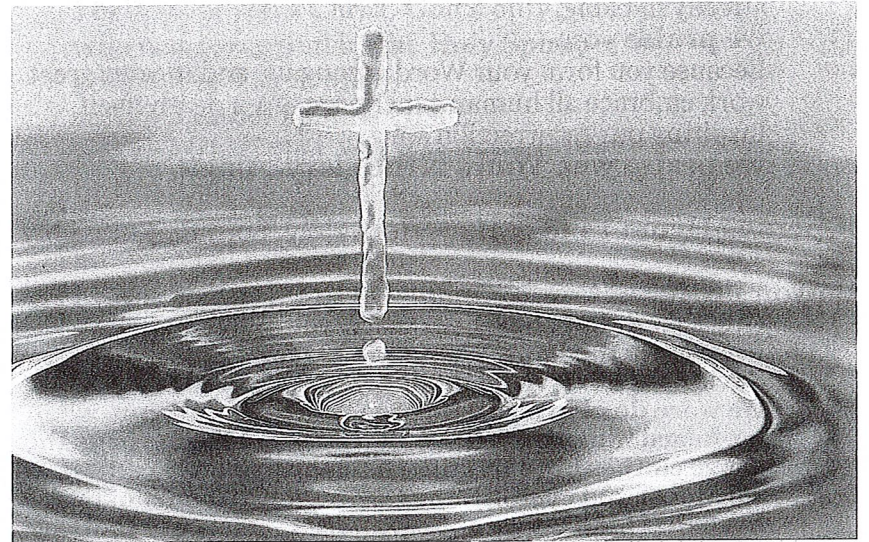
*Liturgist: Sue Delmonico*

*Greeters & Fellowship: Barb Cromwell & Kelly Fisher*



# *First Presbyterian Church* IN VICTOR

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



**First Presbyterian Church**

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**Pastor Nick Dorland**

**Organist Ayn Patrowicz**



**Order of Worship**      **January 29, 2023, 10am**  
**4th Sunday after Epiphany**

**Prelude**      “How Great is Our God”, 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 #138**    “Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty”

**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**

**The Sacrament of Baptism**

**James Kelley Aldrich**

**Nathan Andrew Aldrich**

**Presentation**

*At the appropriate time the congregation replies with “We do.”*

**Profession of Faith**

**Apostles Creed**

I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God’s only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried;  
he descended to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.

**Prayer of Thanksgiving for the Water**

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise...

**The Baptism**

**Laying on of Hands and Anointing**

**Welcome**

### 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 5:1-12

#### The Beatitudes

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain, and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. 2 And he began to speak and taught them, saying:

3 “Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

4 “Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

5 “Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.

6 “Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.

7 “Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.

8 “Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.

9 “Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.

10 “Blessed are those who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

11 “Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. 12 Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

### Sermon

“Peacemakers”

Hymn of Response #341 “Blessed Assurance, Jesus is Mine!”

### 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 #435

“We All Are One in Mission”

\*Benediction

Postlude

“Rondo, att. to John Bull”, arr. by Hal H. Hopson





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

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**Church Calendar**

**Sunday, January 29**

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

**Tuesday, January 31**

10:00 am      Free Panera  
7:00 pm        Worship Committee Meeting

**Thursday, February 2**

Noon            Bridge Class

**Friday, February 3**

7:00 pm        A.A. Meeting

**Sunday, February 5**

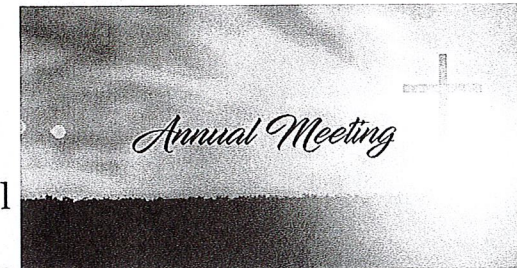
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The Deacons Fund is alive and well at the First Presbyterian Church. We provide gas cards and emergency help to people who come to our church for emergency needs. There are Deacon Fund envelopes in the sanctuary pews. We greatly appreciate all donations. 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!

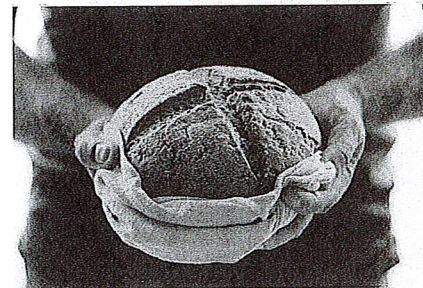
**DEACONS' FUND**



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.



# We All Are One in Mission

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Memmingen ms., 17th century  
Harm. George Ratcliffe Woodward, 1904

Rusty Edwards, 1986; alt.

1. We all are one in mission, We all are one in call,  
 2. We all are called for service To witness in God's name;  
 3. Now let us be united And let our song be heard.

Our varied gifts united By Christ, the Lord of all.  
 Our ministries are different, Our purpose is the same:  
 Now let us be assembled For God's redeeming word.

A single, great commission Compels us from above  
 To touch the lives of others By God's surprising grace  
 We all are in mission, We all are one in call,

To plan and work together That all may know Christ's love.  
 So every folk and nation May feel God's warm embrace.  
 Our varied gifts united By Christ, the Lord of all.