

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH:** *Unison* "The Nicene Creed"
We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. and was buried. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

INVITATION,
PRAYER of Thanksgiving
and Sharing of JOY and CONCERNS of the CONGREGATION

WORDS of INSTITUTION
DISTRIBUTION
PRAYER of THANKSGIVING

Go Out as God's People in the World

*Closing Hymn HB #7: "Of the Father's Love Begotten"

*BENEDICTION: LORD'S PRAYER *in Mandarin (by Tao Wu) & Cantonese (by Celler O'Toole) Chinese; then in English by the Congregation*
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.

*POSTLUDE

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the next two weeks while Pastor Janet is away on leave,
Reverends Kae or Steve Merold @ home 740-927-9308



CHURCH STAFF:

Pastor: The Reverend Dr. Janet A. Hufford

Elder Assisting: Chuck Long

Today's Musician: Doug Ritchey

Nursery: Linda Flowers

Junior Church: *(none when communion)*

Communion Servers:

Tami Conrad; Linda Glenn; Tom Johnston; Ken Matthews

Lord's Day Worship

Sunday School, 9:30 a.m. October 6, 2019 Worship, 10:45 a.m.

Please refer to "The Hymnbook" (HB).

Gathering of God's People

RINGING OF THE STEEPLE BELL

WELCOME: *Fill our worship with grace, Lord Jesus Christ,
that every thought, word, and deed may be acceptable to you,
our Rock and our Redeemer. Amen.*

GREETING AND SHARING GOD'S PEACE

*As God has greeted us with his peace,
so let us pass the peace of Christ to each other.*

RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP *(Please sign & pass the black pew pads)*

ANNOUNCEMENTS *(Also See Old First News Bulletin Insert)*

PRELUDE

ANTHEM *by choir*

**Please Stand if Able.*

*CALL TO WORSHIP *Psalm 56:3-4, 10-11*
When I am afraid, I put my trust in you. In God, whose word I praise-
**In God I trust and am not afraid. What can mere mortals
do to me?**

In God, who whose word I praise, in the LORD, whose word I praise-
In God I trust and am not afraid. What can man do to me?

*Hymn of Praise HB #442:
"Here, O My Lord, I See Thee Face to Face"

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION: *Unison Psalm 56:1*
"Be merciful to me, my God," though I have greatly sinned. I have not
loved as I ought to have loved. I have lived in fear rather than living in
awe of you. Forgive me, O Lord, my God, restoring me to the fullness of
your love and life in you. Amen. *(Pause for silent confession.)*

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON *Psalm 56:9b, 13*
"When I call for help... by this I will know that God is for me... For you
have delivered me from death and my feet from stumbling, that I may
walk before God in the light of life." Friends, believe the good news of
the gospel.

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

*GLORIA PATRI / RESPONSE

*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.*

Proclamation of God's Word

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE *by Pastor Janet*

*(Due to communion, there is no Junior Church today,
but children thru kindergarten age are welcome to go to the nursery.)*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE: *1John 4:7-18, 5:18-20 N.T. pgs. No. 223-4*

SERMON: "Perfect Love Drives Out Fear"
By The Reverend Dr. Janet Hufford

Response to God's Word

*Hymn of Response HB #44: "According to Thy Gracious Word"
(Communion servers please move to the front row at this time.)

CALL TO STEWARDSHIP

OFFERTORY

*DOXOLOGY: 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.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION FOR OFFERING *Psalm 56:12*
"I am under vows to you, my God; I will present my thank offerings to
you." Please accept these our offerings in the name of Jesus Christ to be
used for his glory. **Amen.**

PRAYER LIST:

Please call the Pastor, Office, or an Elder for any prayer needs and emergencies. Call the office at 740-927-4796 and leave a message for changes in the weekly prayer list, updates or announcements.

Sympathies to the family of Thomas Tykodi, age 89, who passed Sept. 22; **Justin Hicks (Pat Landis' Grandson)** custody of 4 yr. old daughter, Maddy; **Don & Veronica Kisak (Kathy Russo's aunt & uncle from PA)** poor health; **Larry Francis (Goldstein's friend)** just diagnosed with stage 4 Colon cancer; **Koltn (Bowlby's nephew)**, who has a stress fracture in his back; **Steve Lowe (Goldstein's friend)** recovering from triple heart bypass surgery; Praises, Pat Landis is now home after knee surgery, needing continued rehab; **Richard Lord**, upcoming 10/7 leg (vein) bypass surgery; **Jerika Ransomer (Hungerford's granddaughter)** in the military / pray for safety of unborn baby / mother thrown by S. California earthquake; **Edith Smith, severe back pain/pray that new therapy will help!**
Anthony Violi (Joyce Mathews' Dad) age 101, bladder issues;

Church Family & Friends with Cancer: Darrell Glenn (Marshall's brother), Jerry Joyner (De Spaulding's in-law), Bobby Lutz (Karen J's brother), Ann Parkinson (Pam's sister), Heath Robertson (community member), Bill Swift (Nancy Lord's bro.)

Church & Family Members at Home/Care Centers: Connie & Victor DeRose, Faye Hammond, Claudia Johnston, Joan Mauger, Anne Nixon

Safety of Members & Family Serving in Military: CPO John Vincent

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

6 Ellie Jo Slaymaker	7 Paul & Sandra Gundler
8 Jamie Bowlby	10 Tim Klinker, Katie M. Slaymaker
11 Regan Bowlby	12 Andy Gieseck
13 Michelle Mock	14 Susan Baird & Rob Rawls
15 Rob Rawls	16 Tiffanie Chalfant-Hahn
17 Greyson Baird, Mike & Jamie Bowlby	24 Dick Lord

Giving Totals for Sunday – Sept. 29: Bereans \$36 Plate: \$3,398

Past Attendance & PLATE Offering - Budget needs \$3,700 plate offering weekly
Sept. 8: 49/\$2,064 Sept. 15: 59/\$3,328 Sept. 22: 48/\$1,293 Sept. 29: 47/\$3,398

YOUTH CHRISTIAN EDUCATION!

Grades 6th-12th "green room" Christian Ed wing Weds. 6:30-7:30pm

ADULT EDUCATION

SUNDAYs 9:30am FH & WEDNESDAYs 6:30pm next to nursery

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If you are visiting today, we thank you for coming and hope you enjoy the "Welcome Packet" provided by our Church Greeter. Please indicate your contact information in the black pew pad, so that we can send you a note and call about a potential visit with the pastor.

Let us know of any prayer needs.

Nursery attended for thru children thru 3rd gr: 9:30–Noon, lower level
(No peanut products in the nursery please!)

Junior Church: Gr. 1-5, following the children's message
– Christian Ed room lower level (except when there is communion)

Assisted Listening Devices are available in the Sanctuary during Worship. If you need instructions, please see the Greeter.

After Worship, please join us in Fellowship Hall for coffee, light refreshments, and friendly conversation!



WEEKLY CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

- SUNDAY:** Sunday School 9:30-10:30am for adults in FH
Worship at 10:45 am with fellowship following
Scouts Pack #4021, 6-8pm FH
- MONDAY:** Clogging 7:30-8:30 p.m. basement activity room;
- WEDS:** Karate Class, 6:30-8pm FH
Bible Study: 6th-12th gr & adults @ 6:30-7:30pm CE wing
Choir practice 7:30-8:30pm sanctuary
- THURSDAY:** Session Meetings, 7pm – normally 2nd Th Each Month
Girl Scouts Troop 386 6-9pm (every other week) FH
Brownies, 6:30–8:30pm (every other week) CE wing
- FRIDAY:**
- Next Berean Meeting: Thursday, October 24th at Noon
 - Next Deacon's Meeting -- 10-13-19, 10am in the kitchen.
 - Next Session Meeting: Thursday, November 14th at 7pm
 - Next Lord's Day Communion: Sun, Nov 24th at 10:45am

October 27 Fellowship for All Ages: Pizza & Games graduation celebration at completion of Jesus/God & Me and God & Family projects by children thru 5th grades!
Congratulations amazing kids of FPC!



Halloween Community Outreach, Thurs. 10-31, 6-8 p.m.
The Deacon's will be providing the kids hot dogs and snacks as they pass through town. We are asking the congregation to donate soda pop (cans only - no diet), bottled water and monetary donations by 10-27-19 for the event! Thank you!

COMMUNION AND SPECIAL WORSHIP SERVICES

October 6th, today, is **World Communion Sunday**. The tradition was begun in 1933 by Hugh Thomson Kerr who ministered in the Shadyside Presbyterian Church. According to *Presbyterian Outlook*: “Davitt S. Bell (the late Clerk of Session and church historian at Shadyside) recalled that Dr. Kerr first conceived the notion of World Communion Sunday during his year as moderator of the General Assembly (1930). Dr. Kerr's younger son, the Rev. Dr. Donald Craig Kerr, who is pastor emeritus of the Roland Park Presbyterian Church in Baltimore, was sixteen in 1933. He has related that World Communion Sunday grew out of the Division of Stewardship at Shadyside. It was their attempt to bring churches together in a service of Christian unity—in which everyone might receive both inspiration and information, and above all, to know how important the Church of Jesus Christ is, and how each congregation is interconnected one with another.” It was then adopted throughout the US Presbyterian Church in 1936 and subsequently spread to other denominations.

The concept of World Communion also came about in the era of the Great Depression beginning in 1929. This time was one of economic strife and high unemployment. Food riots began in February of 1931. Soup and bread lines were long. This time gave birth to church potlucks and popularized casseroles to stretch food! In 1940 after the Great Depression ended, the Federal Council of Churches (now the National Council of Churches), led by Jesse Moren Bader, endorsed World Communion Sunday and began to promote it to Christian churches worldwide.

The sacrament of communion is traditionally shared on Holy or Feast Days found on the liturgical calendar. Holy Days celebrate the anniversary dates of historical and theological significance, derived from Scripture. Though FPC typically offers communion on the 1st Sunday each month, now some of these Holy Days are selected, as explained below.

November 24th is the next date selected for communion at FPC following world communion Sunday in October. Although communion has been typically celebrated on the first Sunday of the month, such is often not the case when we celebrate Founder's Day. The 24th is now selected as an alternative communion Sunday in November, which precedes Thanksgiving, a national holiday when people gather around the table to give thanks, just as we do at communion! In fact, the Greek word for Thanksgiving is a word that we use for communion:

EVCHARISTO or Eucharist! Also, November 24th is Christ the King Sunday, a holy day on the liturgical calendar, celebrating Christ as Our King and Lord, which immediately precedes the season of Advent,

Since communion will have just occurred on November 24th and Advent is traditionally a period of fasting and preparation for the church, communion will not occur during Advent in December.

December 24th is **Christmas Eve**. Although we do not share the Lord's Supper, we gather together in community for special worship at **7pm**, celebrating the anniversary of the birth of God incarnate in the Christ child, who came as The Light into this world of darkness. That night we signify our joining with him spreading the faith, by lighting candles and singing “Silent Night” and hearing the account of his birth.

January 5th is the Holy Day of Epiphany, when we hear the Biblical account of the Magi bringing gifts to the Christ child. It is also the 1st Sunday of the new calendar year, when we celebrate anew the gift of the Christ child to us, fellow children and heirs in the kingdom!

February 23rd is the Holy Day of Transfiguration Sunday, when we hear the Biblical account of how Jesus reflected the glory of the Father in the presence of Peter, James, and John, along with Moses and Elijah. This Holy Day immediately precedes Lent, which like Advent is a period of fasting and preparation.

February 26th is special worship at **7pm** on **Ash Wednesday**, when we literally mark with ashes the beginning of a period of preparation. During Lent, we pray and ready ourselves to remember the final events of Jesus' life on earth as Lord and Savior: his Last Passover Supper and death upon the cross to save us from our sin.

Since the season of Lent is traditionally and liturgically a period of fasting and preparation for the church, communion will not occur during Lent in March.

April 9th is the Holy Day of **Maundy Thursday**, the anniversary of Jesus' last Passover supper before his death the next day, referred to as Good Friday. In remembrance of him, like he instructed his disciples at the Last Supper, we gather as his disciples at the Lord's Table for worship at **7pm** and hear of this Biblical account.