

MISSION SPEAKER "The Boaz Project" April Jurgensen

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

Jesus, you are Our Hope. You are Our Helper. Through you we have all good things. Bless this offering for your good purpose. In the name of Jesus, we pray. Amen.

PRAYER of JOYS and CONCERNS of the CONGREGATION  
THE LORD'S PRAYER IN UNISON

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.

### Go Out as God's People in the World

\*Closing Hymn HB 368: "My Hope is Built on Nothing Less"

\*BENEDICTION

\*POSTLUDE

If you are visiting today, we thank you for coming and hope you enjoy the "Welcome Packet" provided by our Church Greeter.

There is also a special "Welcome Packet" for children.

Please indicate your contact information in the black pew pad.

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



Childcare offered Sundays 9:30 – Noon in the Lower Level Nursery.

(There are no peanut products in the nursery.)

Junior Church for gr. K-5 next to nursery, after Sunday children's msg

(No Junior Church weeks when congregation celebrates communion together!)

Youth Education Wednesdays 6:30-7:30pm in Green Room

Adult Education: "Fruit of the Spirit"

Sundays 9:30am in Fellowship Hall & Wednesdays 6:30pm CE room

Chinese/English Bilingual Bible Study after worship in Berean Room

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What Good God is Doing at FPC!](#)



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**December 1, 2019**

FOR PASTORAL CARE, PLEASE CALL:

The Reverend Dr. Janet Hufford at 412-877-9310

*Happy 1st week of Advent!*



### CHURCH STAFF:

Pastor: The Reverend Dr. Janet A. Hufford

Elder Assisting: Mat Mauger

Today's Musician: Kathy Wallace

Nursery: Linda Flowers

Advent Candles & Junior Church: Tami, Elise, & Anna Conrad

Mission Speaker: April Jurgensen

# Lord's Day Worship

December 1, 2019

Worship, 10:45 a.m.

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

*Please refer to "The Hymnbook" (HB) today.*

## 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)*

INTROIT *by FPC Choir*

CALL TO WORSHIP: *Malachi 3:1*

"I will send my messenger, who will prepare the way before me. Then suddenly the Lord you are seeking will come to his temple; the messenger of the covenant, whom you desire, will come, says the Lord Almighty."

### CANDLELIGHTING:

Today we light the first candle. The first candle, reminds us that Jesus is our Wonderful Counselor who brings hope to a hurting world. As our counselor, Jesus brings hope in times of despair, compassion in times of sorrow, and healing in times of brokenness. As we begin the season of Advent, let our hope reside in the One who cares about our needs and sustains our faith. *(Light the First Candle, the Candle of Hope)*

*\*Please Stand if Able.*

\*Hymn of Praise HB 151: "Come Thou Long Expected, Jesus"

\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION: *Unison*

We confess, O Lord, that though we have hope you, a promise already fulfilled in Christ Jesus, the One awaited Messiah, who filled in full through his coming for us, the law, the prophets, and the psalms, that we often fall short in our living out the faith, acting as those who are helpless and hopeless. Forgive us our sin. Forgive our doubt. Help us in our unbelief. Amen. *(Pause for silent confession.)*

### \*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Who is in a position to condemn? Only Christ, and Christ died for us, Christ rose for us, Christ reigns in power for us, Christ prays for us, Christ prays for us. Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation. The old life has gone; a new life has begun. 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 Jamie Bowlby*  
*(Please pick up children after worship from Jr Church next to nursery in lower level.)*

CALL TO GOD'S WORD *Unison* John 10:35 & Romans 4:3  
"Scripture cannot be set aside. What does Scripture say?"

### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE: *Matthew 1:1-2*

"This is the genealogy of Jesus the Messiah the son of David, the son of Abraham. Abraham was the father of Isaac, Isaac the father of Jacob, Jacob the father of Judah and his brothers."

*Ruth 1*

*O.T. pg. No. 374*

*Deuteronomy 8:1-16*

*O.T. pg. No. 261*

SERMON: "Still Hope" *By The Reverend Dr. Janet Hufford*

## Response to God's Word

\*Hymn of Response HB 374: "Be Still My Soul"

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: *Unison* "The Apostles' Creed"  
I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He 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, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again 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 LIST:

Prayer for God to come into the hearts of self, friends and family to replace negative thoughts and actions with actions that reflect thankfulness and positivity.

Prayers for young people in our church, community and families.

Justin Hicks (Pat Landis' Grandson) custody of 4 yr. old daughter, Maddy;  
Karen Holland, (Robert's Mother) for rehab and healing;

Bobby Lutz, pray for peace as he is in his final days and for his family;

Doris M, (David O'Toole's aunt), her lung abnormal cell growth is treatable, but surgery is not an option.

Edith Smith, pray for strength in legs and ease of chronic pain;

Anthony Violi (Joyce Mathews' Dad) age 101, in Assisted Living;

Church Family & Friends with Cancer: Cindy Fleming (Celler's friend), Darrell Glenn (Marshall's brother), Jerry Joyner (De Spaulding's in-law), Larry Francis (Goldstein's friend); Bobby Lutz (Karen J's brother), Michelle McCarthy (De's Family Member), David Metzger (Denise's bro.) Diana Mock, Ann Parkinson (Pam's sister), Heath Robertson (veteran), Bill Swift (Nancy Lord's brother)

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

WITH THE HOLIDAYS UPON US, PLEASE REMEMBER THOSE WHO HAVE LOST LOVED ONES THIS YEAR:

Deceased in 2019: Dean Buri, Wayne Baird Burdette, Larry Mock, Winston Page, Marjorie Rensch, & Thomas T. Tykodi

### DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

7 Angela Hammond                      11 Fran Hungerford  
16 Fred & Linda Goldstein              21 Joey Crawford, Jason Kean  
22 Owen Bowlby, Sarah Gundler, David Zeller  
23 Jack Witt, Pat Landis, Marshall & Linda Glenn  
26 Wyatt Nathan Harvell              28 Tabitha Boggs-Hernandez

Giving Totals for Sunday – Nov. 24: Building Use \$160

Deacons \$10    Flowers \$10    Missions: JesusSHouse \$75    Plate: \$1,174.85

*Past Attendance & PLATE Offering - Budget needs \$3,700 plate offering weekly*

Nov.10: 40 / \$2,207.57    Nov. 17: 59/\$1,845    Nov. 24: 64/\$1,174.85

## Olde First News–December 1, 2019

### WEEKLY CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

SUNDAY: Sunday School for adults 9:30-10:30am FH;  
Worship & Jr. Church, 10:45am with fellowship after  
Chinese/English Bilingual Bible Study noon Berean rm

MONDAY: Clogging, 7:30-8:30pm basement activity room

WEDS: Karate Class, 6:30-8pm FH;  
Bible Study: gr. 6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> & adults 6:30-7:30pm CE rm;  
Choir Rehearsal 7:30-8:30pm CE rm

THURSDAY: Session Mtg, 7pm CE rm – normally 2<sup>nd</sup> Th Each Month;  
Girl Scout Troop 386, 6-9pm FH (every other week)

FRIDAY: Brownie Troop, 6:30-8:30pm CE rm (every other week)

- Next Berean Meeting: Thursday, December 5 at Noon
- Next Session Meeting: Thursday, December 12 at 7pm
- Christmas Eve Candlelight Service: Tuesday, Dec 24 at 7pm
- Next Lord's Day Communion: Sun, January 5 at 10:45am



### Advent Preaching Series with "Special Biblical Guest"

12/1: Ruth 1 - Hope

12/8: Ruth 2 - Peace

12/15: Ruth 3 - Joy

12/22: Ruth 4 - Love

Veterans day & Advent sermon manuscripts can be found on the FPC website. Please contact the church office to request recording of worship service.

### "Main Street Christmas"

Saturday, December 7

3:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Once again, our church will host this event, providing chicken & noodles, bread & cookies.

**HERE IS A LIST OF DONATIONS & VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:**

\*Chicken broth (Any brand is appreciated!)

\*Cookies (Sign-up sheet will be posted for cookies and volunteers)

\*Float Decorators    \*Greeters    \*Volunteers to pass out Cookies

\*Volunteer kitchen helpers to serve, bus tables,  
make coffee and clean up!



Fueled by a relentless passion for children and justice, April Walker Jurgensen (who grew up in First Presbyterian Church of Pataskala) is the founder and executive director of The Boaz Project, Inc., a non-profit organization that inspires and equips leaders around the globe to care for orphans in their own communities. For 20 years,

she has impacted vulnerable children by addressing their physical, spiritual and educational needs.

Between trips to visit the children who've stolen her heart, April seizes opportunities to write and speak about them. She brings the experience and insight from more than 100 international trips to her messages. She is the author of the award-winning book *The Orphan's Abba: Stories from Orphan Care That Reveal God's Love for You*.

April holds a B.A. in writing from Taylor University in Upland, IN. In addition to loving her occupation, she is crazy about her husband, Jim, and their two adult children. When they aren't globetrotting, the Jurgensens call Greenwood, IN home.



You could help provide the stability of a permanent home for the children of House of Joy in India.

Simply:

-Mail a check with a note that says, "Indian Homes"

OR

-Donate online:

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In lieu of live poinsettias this year you may wish to contribute ten dollars for a silk poinsettia as a remembrance which will include a "The Legend of the Cardinal" ornament as your keepsake. The silk poinsettias will remain as part of our church Christmas decorations. Then the usual in memory, etc. tear-off to be included.



### The Legend of the Cardinal

The Cardinal with its beautiful crimson color has long been a symbol of vitality, hope and restoration. Its vibrant red color reminds us of the blood that Jesus Christ shed for the payment of our sins. He gives us hope for each day and the promise of eternal life. In Him, the vitality of our faith brings joy and hope to others.



Make checks to First Presbyterian Church  
(Put "Poinsettias" on memo line.)

Your Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Quantity: \_\_\_\_\_ Amount Enclosed (\$10 each) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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