

First Presbyterian Church
Lake Park, Iowa
www.fpclakepark.org
10:30am

December 31, 2017

First Sunday after Christmas

Musical Prelude

Announcements

Exchange of Peace

Adoration and Praise for Christmas(based on Luke 2: 30-32)

L/ Our own eyes have seen the salvation God has prepared
C/ **A light of revelation to all peoples and the glory of God**
All/ **Thanks be to God! Alleluia! Amen!**

Hymn of Praise -- # 265 The First Noel

Opening Prayer

L/ Let us pray...Gracious God, in the fullness of time you sent your Son, born of a woman, so that we might receive adoption as your children and we give you thanks! Bind us together in harmony. Give us grace to clothe ourselves in love and make a home in this world for your Christ. In the name of Jesus we pray,
C/ **Amen**

Psalm 148

Voice 1/ Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord from the heavens! Angels and heavenly host, sun moon and stars praise God Most High!

Voice 2/ Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord all the earth. Mountains and hills, fruit trees and evergreens, wild animals and livestock, creeping things and flying things, sea creatures and peoples, hail and snow, storm and calm, let all things praise the Lord!

Voice 3/ Praise the Lord who but spoke and they were created!
Praise the God who sets the boundaries and makes all things new!
Praise the Lord all of creation!

Here Are My Wishes For You

H Ours Of Happy Times With Friends And Family
A Bundant Time For Relaxation
P Rosperity
P Lenty Of Love When You Need It The Most
Y Outhful Excitement At Lifes Simple Pleasures
N ights Of Restful Slumber
E Verything You Need
W ishing You Love And Light
Y Ears And Years Of Good Health
E Njoyment And Mirth
A Angels To Watch Over You
R Embrances Of A Happy Years!

Happy New Year!

Have I not commanded you?

**BE STRONG
& COURAGEOUS**

Do not be frightened, and do not be dismayed,
for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go.

JOSHUA 1:9

Voice 4/ Praise the Lord all rulers and peoples of the earth.
Young men and women together with the old! Let all God's faithful
people praise the Lord!

Hymn-- #277 Hark! The Herald Angels Sing

Reading of Scripture

Prayer of Illumination

First Lesson: Isaiah 62: 1-3, 11-12 *pages 1159-60

Canticle: #271 Joyful Joyful (Christmas version)

New Testament Lesson: Luke 2: 22-40 *pages 1591-92

Sermon

Affirmation of Faith – in song

Hymn # 281 What Child is This?

Offertory;

Doxology

#815

Deacons say Prayer of Dedication

Joys and Concerns

Lord's Prayer (using Debts)

Prayer of Thanksgiving (from our Reformed Heritage)

L/ God of wondrous deeds, we praise you on this day in
Christmastide. We thank you for the celebrations throughout the
world, for our brothers and sisters in Christ who sing with us songs
of Jesus' birth. Give us unity in your love and send us your Spirit to
grow in faith and love.

**L/ Bring us to your Kingdom Lord, filled with the Wisdom and
Fear of your Word become flesh Jesus. May we with all your
creation greet Him with joy and praise when He comes again.
May we find joy and peace not in external things but in your
indwelling Spirit that binds us together and washes us clean in
the Blood of the Lamb.** (United Church of Christ, 2015)

Sending Hymn: #27 Joy to the World!

Ministry Leaders

Deacons: Jim Kessler & Terry Wiese

Greeters: Lori & Steve Eggers

Worship Music: Marian Tuinstra

Pastor: Rev. Tim Harmon

All members are ministers of Jesus Christ

Attendance 12/24/17 Morning Worship: 39

Attendance 12/24/17 Christmas Eve Service: 67

Reminder– there are 68 unpaid per capitas- \$33 for 2017

Commercial (Manse) Loan Balance: \$11,179.64

Furnace Loan: \$10,368.51

-HAPPY BIRTHDAY to Sherry Jansen TODAY, and to Shawn
Harmon on January 3rd, and to Tony Thorn and Luke Harmon
on January 6th.

-HAPPY ANNIVERSARY to Hap & JoAnn Conley TODAY.

-You may or may not have noticed a change in format of this
morning's bulletin. This is simply something new we are
trying. Enjoy!

-Bits & Pieces meets this Wednesday, January 3rd at 9:30 a.m.

-CHOIR will meet this Wednesday at 7:00 p.m.

-The 2018 Per Capita will increase to \$37.00.

-Remember - If you would like to receive a text message alert
when there is a weather-related cancellation of Sunday morning
worship service, please call Lynette in the church office.

-Dave Ramsey Financial Peace Classes are coming starting in
January on Tuesday nights at the Sibley United Methodist
Church. The first class will start next Tuesday January 9th at
7pm with classes being about an hour long. It is a nine (9) week
course with babysitting available. The cost is \$110 per couple.
You can contact Amy Strouth with questions 712-348-4091 by
calling or texting. Flyers on the classes will be posted soon so
keep watch in your bulletins.

-Friday morning Bible Study continues every Friday at 10 a.m.
We are studying the book of Luke. Everyone is welcome.