

O LORD,  
you have  
searched me  
and  
known me.

PSALM 139:1



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# **FIRST UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

**Rev. Mark Gabbard**

**Liturgist - Judy Bawks**

**Music - Kay Boyne**

**January 14, 2024**

**Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**



## OUR APPROACH TO GOD

PRELUDE                      "Joyous Morning"                      (Peterson)

INTROIT                      "I Love You, Lord"                      (Klein)

### CALL TO WORSHIP

O Lord, you have searched me and known me. You discern my thoughts from far away.

Even before a word is on my tongue, O Lord, you know it completely.

I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made. Wonderful are your works.

How weighty to me are your thoughts, O God! I try to count them—they are more than the sand.

Let us worship God!

### PRAYER OF PRAISE AND ADORATION

You are the rock of our salvation, O God, the source of our strength. You are the fountainhead from which flow living waters. When our souls thirst after righteousness, your justice sustains us. In need of encouragement, we behold your power and glory. We lift our hands in the sanctuary; with our lips we praise you. We raise our voices in the company of believers and call on your name. Fill us now with your Holy Spirit, and nourish us by your presence.

✦ HYMN                      "Lead On, O King Eternal"                      #724

### ✦ PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy upon us as we make our confession. We grow lax in our discipline, and we disobey Christ. Our faith is flabby

# About First United Presbyterian Church

## Church Staff

## To Our Visitors

**Minister:** Rev. Mark D. Gabbard  
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**Commissioned Ruling Elder:**  
 Brenda Ransom

**Clerk of Session:** Jessica Kuenzer

**President of Trustees:**  
 Michael Lussier

**Chairman of Deacons:**  
 Jeanne Shibley

**Music Director/Organist:**  
 Kay E. Boyne

**Administrative Assistant:**  
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**Sexton:** Jason Fuller

Welcome! We are happy to have you worshipping with us today.

✦ Sunday Worship - 10:00 AM  
*(Children join the worship service for the first 15 minutes to hear the Children's Sermon)*

✦ Sunday School - 10:15 AM  
*K through 12th Grade - all meet in lower level classrooms*

✦ The nursery is available for your use during the worship service.

✦ An asterisk (\*) preceding a service element indicates the congregation should stand.

✦ **Bold** indicates congregation participation.

✦ Soup and Sandwich is held the 1st Sunday of each month in the Social Hall. Please join us!

✦ If you need the Pastor after hours, call Church Office to make appointment, or ask Nicole for Pastor Mark's cell phone number.

**Pastor's Office Hours:**      **Office Hours:**

9:15 AM to 12:00 PM      9:00 AM to 1:00 PM  
 (Monday-Friday)      (Monday-Thursday)

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Hearing Assistance devices are available. If you would like to use a receiver, please ask an Usher for assistance.

Please Silence all electronics prior to worship service.



*The Purpose of the First United Presbyterian Church is to:*  
*Invite people to know and glorify God*

*Grow together as followers of Christ*

*Serve others through the power of the Holy Spirit*



## IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS THIS WEEK

We ask that you remember these people in your prayers throughout the coming week.

Crisanne Riordan, Jamison Strange, Annette Mailles, Dolores Leuvoy, Carolyn Trumble, Erick Florip, Terry Mason, Scott Wallace, Nellie Harrington, Aaron Corbiere, Carolyn Shaw, Della Porter, Gina Gough, Jon Burgess, Kimberly (Swick) Jewell, Jeffrey Burgess, Donna LaPlaunt, Sandy Shaw, Jane Kellan, Patricia Farnhill, Geraldine Carnahan, Lillian Donelson, Dave & Leslie Henderson, Tara Jean Brody, and all missionaries, and members of the U.S. Armed Forces.

***Please keep us up to date on your prayer request.***

***If you would to add individuals to the prayer list or your prayers have been answered and you would like to be removed from the list, please contact the office***

***Prayer requests during service:*** *In order for your request to be clearly heard, please fill out a request slip and hand it to an usher prior to the service. Request slips can be found on the table just outside the sanctuary. You may also request the use of a microphone.*

### **VISITORS, WELCOME TO THE FIRST UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH!**

We pray you'll be nourished in faith as you hear God's message for you. Jesus welcomed everyone; that is our aim, too. Whether you're here for the first time or the thousandth, we count ourselves blessed by your presence. Persons interested in more information about First United Presbyterian Church, or in joining this congregation, are invited to fill out a 'Welcome' card found in the pews, or call the church office. Please be sure to sign our Guest Book near the entrance to the Sanctuary. Thank you for worshiping with us today.

**PW FUNDRAISER ITEMS** The PW famous dish cloths are for sale at \$1.25 each. Buy several —the price is right! Get yours today! Ultimate Cloths, no chemicals needed, cleans with just water using MiraFiber technology! Guaranteed 5 years general use! Come on in to the Church office and get yours for only \$6 or 5 for \$25. Presbyterian Women's Second Edition Favorite Salads cookbook also available in the church office for only \$8!

**MISSION PROJECT** The January mission project is for the Salvation Army. They have requested paper products like toilet paper and paper towels, feminine hygiene products, as well as general hygiene products like soap, toothpaste and deodorant. Thank you for your generous giving through the years, and thank you for your giving this month.

**DEACON PRAYER CHAIN** Please remember the Deacon Prayer Chain, if you, or someone you know, are in need of prayers. Contact Jeanne Shibley at (906) 630-1707.

**RIDES TO CHURCH** If anyone needs a ride to church, please contact the church office before Friday of each week and the Deacons will arrange a pick up time.

**BULLETIN BOARD** Please visit the bulletin board across from the office for information concerning local events, news, and resources available in the community.



**FUPC MEETINGS / GROUPS:** *unless otherwise noted...*

*Session*—3rd Monday of each month at 5:30pm (WR)

*Trustees*—3rd Tuesday of each month at 5:30pm (WR)

*Deacons*—3rd Sunday of each month at 11:15am (LB)

*Presbyterian Women*—3rd Tuesday at Noon

*Circle 3*—2nd Thursday of each month at 9:30am (WR)

*Textile Social Group*—the 1st, 3rd, and 4th Thursday of each month, from 9:30am to 1:00pm (SH)

*Women's Bible Study*—1st, 3rd, & 4th Wednesdays at 9:00 am

*Choir Practice*—every Wednesday at 6:00pm (S)

LB—Library   MR—Music Room   S—Sanctuary   SH—Social Hall  
WR—Westminster Room



**SERVING US THIS WEEK**

**Greeters:** Alegra Soorus & Margaret Eagle

**Ushers:** Ron Meister, David Bernier, Fred Michels, Roger Roe,  
& Paul Sabourin


**SERVING US NEXT WEEK**

**Greeters:** Alegra Soorus & Margaret Eagle

**Ushers:** Charlie Zane, Margaret Money, Alegra Soorus, & Audrey Zane

**Last week's attendance: 83**

**Last week's offering: \$3,699**

This Week's Calendar January 14 – January 21, 2024			
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	
9:00am Coffee Hour (WR) 9:15am Choir Practice (MR) 10:00am Worship Service 11:15am Deacons Meeting (LB)	5:30pm Session Meeting (WR) 7:00pm Boy Scout Troop #105 (SH)	12:00pm P.W. Meeting (SH) 5:30pm Trustee Meeting (WR)	
Wednesday	 Presbyterian Church	Thursday	
9:00am Women's Bible Study (WR) 6:00pm Choir Practice (S)		9:00am Textile Social (SH)	
Friday	Saturday	Sunday	
9:00am Men's Bible Study (WR)	7:00pm A.A. (WR)	9:00am Coffee Hour (WR) 9:15am Choir Practice (MR) 10:00am Worship Service	

when put to the test; our courage vanishes in the face of temptation. Our joints stiffen when we are called to act. We profess loyalty, while our bodies deny commitment. Have mercy upon us and forgive us our sin.

✦ ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Hear Paul's words when he writes: 'Do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, which you have from God, and that you are not your own? For you were bought with a price.' Christ mercifully paid the price for our sin. Through him we may approach God with our temples made clean.

✦ GLORIA PATRI "Glory Be to the Father" #812

*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.*

✦ PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of God be with you.  
And also with you.  
Greet one another in Peace.

ANTHEM                      "Name of Names"                      (Smith)  
Duet: Judy Bawks/Alicia Cottle  
Guitar: David Blackburn

THE WORD OF GOD

1 Sam. 3:1 - 20, (page 229, OT)  
Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18 (page 540, OT)  
John 1:43 - 51 (page 80, NT)

SERMON                      "The One Who Sets All things Right"

✦ HYMN                      "Come, Thou Almighty King"                      #8

✦ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH    The Apostles' Creed

Let us say what we believe.  
I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven

and earth; and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the virgin Mary; suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended to heaven and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

### OUR RESPONSE TO GOD

THE CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

CONGREGATIONAL LIFE

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

### **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

OFFERTORY                      "Gentle As The Sea"                      (Stevens)  
   Guitar: David Blackburn

✦ DOXOLOGY    "O Bless the Gifts"                      #817  
*O bless the gifts our hands have brought;  
And bless the work our hearts have planned.  
Ours is the faith, the will, the thought;  
The rest, O God, is in Your hand.*

✦ PRAYER OF DEDICATION  
O God, you nourish us by the outpouring of your love. You strengthen us with your enlivening Spirit. Our bodies are sustained by your goodness and power. You are the source of every good act we perform and of every talent we possess. These gifts are but a portion of what you give us in abundance. Accept them as signs of our thanksgiving.

✦ HYMN                      "I Sing the Mighty Power of God"                      #128

✦ POSTLUDE                      "Blessed Be the Lord God"                      (Nordman)