



First Presbyterian  
Church | **Kerrville**

January 8, 2023  
Epiphany Sunday

Building a Community of Disciples

*Growing toward*

God-centered worship

Christ-centered service

Spirit-led lives

## GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Welcome! We count it all joy to have you worshiping with us today.  
Please fill out the black Friendship Pad so that we might welcome  
you to our FPC community.*

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

## PRELUDE

We Three Kings

*Rulon Christiansen*

## †CALL TO WORSHIP

○ come, let us worship the Lord and consider what wondrous things God has done:  
**The Magi who study the heavens follow a guiding star!**

○ come, let us worship the Lord and consider what wondrous things God is doing:  
**The peoples who live in the shadows see a glorious light!**

○ come, let us worship the Lord and consider what wondrous things God will do:  
**The Christ who embodies the Word unveils the hidden plan,  
making us joint heirs of the promise of salvation through the gospel!**

○ come, let us worship the Lord,  
**for God has done, is doing, and will do wondrous things!**

## †HYMN 151

We Three Kings of Orient Are

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

The prophet speaks of the coming light of God which calls all the people of the earth to come together in God's realm of shalom. Jesus brought that shalom, and provided for its transmission by purchasing our forgiveness on the cross. Let us confess the ways in which we have rejected God's vision of wholeness.

**God of light and darkness, we have seen the glimmer of your star-light beckoning to us, but we have turned away and followed other paths. We confess that we have not loved you with all our heart, with all our soul, with all our mind, and with all our strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. Forgive us, Holy One. Strengthen our faltering steps and guide us in your holy way of peace. Through Christ we pray. Amen.**

## DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

My friends, Epiphany is good news! The Light comes not to sear and blind us but to save us. Christ Jesus came into this world to save sinners. He died for us: the holy for the sinful, so that those hurt and injured could be made whole. In his name I declare to you: your sins are forgiven! Your wounds are healed.

**Thanks be to God!**

Take up your forgiveness with thanksgiving, and live without shame or anxiety.

**The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ enables us. Amen!**

## †RESPONSE

*Hymn 113*

***Come to Bethlehem and see him whose birth the angels sing;  
Come, adore on bended knee Christ, the Lord, the newborn King.  
Gloria in excelsis Deo! Gloria in excelsis Deo!***

## †PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you.**

CONVERSATION WITH CHILDREN (11:00)

ANTHEM (11:00)

Arise, Arise and Shine!

Mary McDonald

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Matthew 2:1-12

pg. 783 N.T.

Luke 2:25-32

pg. 833 N.T.

Luke 4:16-30

pg. 835 N.T.

Word of God, Word of life. **Thanks be to God!**

SERMON

Which Three Kings?

Jack Haberer

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

†HYMN 150

As with Gladness Men of Old

OFFERING & OFFERTORY

I Wonder As I Wander

Weldon Whipple

†RESPONSE

Greensleeves

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise God all creatures here below.  
Praise God above ye heavenly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.**

†PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION OF RULING ELDERS AND DEACONS

**Elders**

Steve Clyburn  
Pam Cooper\*  
Lucy Cunningham\*  
Jane Pickett  
Cheryl Sieker\*  
Mary Ellen Summerlin  
Ed Wallace

**Deacons**

LaVerne "Sam" Baublitz\*  
Angela Greene\*  
Alice Lerp\*  
Tricia Matthews  
Sally Peterson  
Krisite Schlechte  
Nancy Wilson\*

**Trustee**

LeRoy Schlechte

*\*Indicates to be  
Ordained*

†AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Apostles' Creed

**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, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on 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.**

†HYMN 144

In the Bleak Midwinter

†CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

When Jesus Was Born in the World

Louis-Claude Daquin

*From service of worship to service in God's world.*



# Thank You for Serving Today

## WORSHIP LEADERS

Jack Haberer, Keaton Mitchell, Audrey Mitchell, Sabrina Adrian, Seth Lafler,  
Bill Swart, Wes Lane

## USHERS

8:30-Pam and Bill Cooper, Susan Junkin

11:00-Paulette Graves, Donna Brewton, Steve and Betty Clyburn, Deda Garlitz

## MUSICIANS

11:00 - Chancel Choir

## Families in Worship

Children of all ages are always welcome in worship. Special Children's Worship Bags are available in the narthex. Parents are encouraged to use the things found in the Worship Bags to help their children prepare for and participate in worship.

Many of our young children participate in worship until after the Conversation with Children. After the Conversation with Children, a member of our child care staff will meet the children in the narthex and take them to the appropriate room.

Childcare is available for infants through children who are in kindergarten in Room 504, in the Family Life Center. An usher can direct you to these rooms.

### Easy ways to give to the ministries of FPC

- Join the members who are using online giving to First Presbyterian. Sign up today at [www.fpckerville.org](http://www.fpckerville.org) and click on the giving tab.
- You can also "text to give" right from your phone. Simply text to **45777** and type in **KERRFPC**. Follow the prompts. It is secure and convenient.

Contact Mary Stone at the church office with any questions.

## First Presbyterian Church

### Staff and Worship Leaders

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#### **Pastors:**

Rev. Dr. Jack Haberer, Interim Pastor

Rev. Susan Montoya, Parish Associate

Eldon Sheffer, Commissioned Ruling Elder

#### **Support Staff:**

Mary Stone, Business Administrator

Alicia Martin, Asst. Administrator

Alfred Valero, Facilities Manager

Wes Lane, Media Specialist

#### **Ministry Staff:**

Dr. Sabrina Adrian, Organist

Seth Lafler, Choir Director

Shannon Tuschak, Care Coordinator

Audrey Mitchell, Dir. of Children's Ministry

Emily McAllister, Dir. of Youth & Young Adult Ministry

Alysse O'Brien, Children's Music Director

Scott Russell, Children's Corner Director

Ann Reynolds, YES Center Director

Ministers — All Our Congregation



## Bulletin Notes

Large print bulletins are available from an usher.

†Please rise as able in body and spirit.

**Bold** type indicates unison response.

To view past worship services please visit (<http://fpckerville.org/worship/video-archive>).



Please take time to silence your cell phones so we may all be fully present in this time and space.



## Let Us Pray

...for our troops, especially for those serving in war-torn countries, and for refugees all over the world.

*In life and in death we belong to God  
Carol Van Tuyl*

*October 29, 1938 ~ December 31, 2022*

*Carol has been a member since 2008*

*Memorial Service will be held on February 4  
in the FPC sanctuary.*



## Worship Notes

The *Prayer of Confession* is based on Isaiah 60:1-6, Mark 12:30-31. The *Declaration of Forgiveness* was written by Bruce Prewer.

### Welcome, Visitors!

For more information about our church and its missions, visit our website at [www.fpckerville.org](http://www.fpckerville.org). If you would like to be contacted by phone or email, please submit a contact request form on our website, or call the church office. You may also fill out the Connect Card located in the pew pocket, or the Friendship Pad (located at the end of each pew). Please place the Connect Card in the offering tray or give it to an usher.

**Prayer or Praise Request?** Prayer request cards can be found in the pews, or you may complete your request on our website at [www.fpckerville.org](http://www.fpckerville.org) and it will head right to our prayer team, which meets on Wednesdays at 9 a.m.

**To join the membership of FPC:** Contact the church office or visit us online and send us an email inquiry. Wherever you are on your journey of faith, you are welcome to be part of this church family!

## Calendar Highlights at First Presbyterian

For a full listing of church events, log on to [www.fpckerville.org](http://www.fpckerville.org) and click on "Calendar".

### Sunday, January 8

- 8:30 Worship—Sanctuary
- 9:45 Adult Sunday School—Ryan Hall
- 10:00 Youth Sunday School—Family Life Center Youth Room
- 11:00 Worship—Sanctuary & Live Streamed  
Ordination and Installation of Church Officers
- 5:00 Youth Group—Family Life Center Youth Room

### Monday, January 9

- 1:00 Extended Communion—Juniper
- 1:30 Property Committee—Room 208
- 2:00 Congregational Care Meeting—Congregational Care Office
- 5:00 Youth and Young Adult—Pint & Plow
- 5:30 Personnel Committee—Pastor's Office

### Tuesday, January 10

- 7:00 Men's Bible Study—Room 207
- 10:00 CCP Chapel with Audrey Mitchell—Sanctuary
- 5:00 Music For All (Guitar Lessons)—Schreiner Chapel Choir Room
- 5:30 Yoga for Community (Beginner/Gentle)—Ryan Hall

### Wednesday, January 11

- 9:00 Prayer Group—Zoom
- 10:00 Yoga for Community (Chair)—Ryan Hall
- 10:30 Staff Meeting—Congregational Care Office
- 3:00 Adult Discipleship Committee—Library
- 4:00 Hospitality & Fellowship—Room 207
- 5:30 Diaconate Meeting—Room 208
- 6:00 Pastor Nominating Committee—Ryan Hall
- 7:00 Choir Practice—Choir Room

### Thursday, January 12

- 10:30 Presbyterian Women Day Circle—Room 207
- 2:00 Stephen Ministry—Ryan Hall
- 7:00 Presbyterian Women Night Circle—Ryan Hall

### Friday, January 13

### Saturday, January 14

- 12:00 HOPES Kitchen—Family Life Center

### Sunday, January 15 Kirkin' O' The Tartans

- 8:30 Worship—Sanctuary
- 9:45 Adult Sunday School—Ryan Hall
- 10:00 Youth Sunday School—Family Life Center Youth Room
- 11:00 Worship—Sanctuary & Live Streamed
- 12:00 Kirkin' Shortbread Reception—Ryan Hall
- 5:00 Youth Group—Family Life Center Youth Room



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- **New Adult Sunday School Class—January, 8 in Ryan Hall, 9:45**

This PowerPoint lecture, given by art historian Sara Hamilton will explore the various ways in which images of the Virgin Mary have been portrayed throughout the centuries. This will be a six-week study.

- **Kirkin' of the Tartan coming January 15**

Don your tartan kilts, sashes, ties, and jewelry! The 2023 version of Kirkin' of the Tartan is upon us. We'll then gather inside for the 11:00 service followed by fellowship amid a shortbread feast in Ryan Hall. We are inviting the larger "Scots of the Hill Country" family, too.

Do you know any other Scots? Invite them, too. In fact, invite all friends of all clans – even "Clan-less" foreigners are welcome, too!.

We will welcome, name and honor all clans present in the worship service – with the blessing of Kirk Sheel's bagpiping, accompanied by our own Dr. Sabrina Adrian on the magnificent Jeimlich organ.

*It will help us greatly if attendees will call or email us in advance to let us know to which clan you belong. Contact Alicia in the church office: [amartin@fpckerville.org](mailto:amartin@fpckerville.org); or (830) 257-3310.*

- **Wednesday, January 18, 12:00, Men's Luncheon:** Join us for lunch at LaFours restaurant. If you plan to attend, please make your reservation by contacting the church office at 830-257-3310 or Don Priour at 830-896-4842.

- **Mark your calendar for January 22 at noon for the rededication of the all new Ryan Hall.**

- **Music-All Guitar Lessons—Starting back on Tuesday, January 10th.** is a FPC Music Outreach Program with music instructor and musician Andrew Dodson. Join us on Tuesday nights in the Choir Room below Schreiner Chapel. No experience required. All material provided.

All are welcome. Contact Andrew Dodson at

[andrew@andrewdodsonmusic.com](mailto:andrew@andrewdodsonmusic.com) or 832.244.9175.

5-6 pm (18 & under) 6-7 pm (18+)

- **FPC Grief Support Group**—If you have experienced a recent loss, the holiday season can be especially difficult. Our community grief support group offers a safe and confidential environment to help you negotiate this time. The group meets on the first and third Fridays of every month. **Please note** that beginning Friday, January 6, 2023 we will be meeting in Ryan Hall. **Call the church office at 830-257-3310 for more information.**

- **Yoga for Community classes led by Cheryl Smith, Ryan Hall.**

All classes include a scripture-based meditation, breathing practice, gentle warm-up movements, classic yoga postures and final meditation.

**Tuesdays, 5:30 p.m. - Beginner/Gentle Yoga** -for any level of participant who is comfortable getting down and up off the floor.

**Wednesdays, 10:00 a.m. - Chair Yoga** -for any level of participant. This practice takes place on and standing near a chair, for support.