

Everybody's Church



First Presbyterian Church of Birmingham

January 19, 2020, 10:00am, Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Vision Statement

As Everybody's Church we commit ourselves to serving Christ by cultivating mission, inclusion and community.

Inclusion Statement

As Everybody's Church we strive to be a faithful, open and inclusive community. We welcome the full participation of all people of any ability, gender identity, race, ethnicity sexual orientation or any other life circumstance.

Gathering Around the Word

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Bethany Peerbolte

†GREET ONE ANOTHER IN CHRIST'S NAME

CHORAL INTROIT

"I Love the Lord"
Chancel Choir

Smallwood

CALL TO WORSHIP

Keith Termaat

One: God chose to start a family of believers.
Many: Even before the chosen knew who God was.
One: Christ died to save the world from sin.
Many: Even while the world was still sinful.
One: God's forgiveness is offered to all.
All: Thanks be to God!

†HYMN 411

"God Is Here Today"
(Sung Twice)

TIME WITH THE YOUNGER CHURCH

After Time with the Younger Church, children 3 & 4 year-olds will proceed to Worship Wonder and K-5th Grade will proceed to CrossWalks.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Dr. John Judson

We rejoice in the presentation for baptism: Marco Christopher Pasquali, born May 31, 2019, son of Ryan and Chelsea Pasquali.

Don Howe, Elder

Question to the Congregation: Do you, as a member of the church of Jesus Christ, promise to guide and nurture Marco by word and deed, with love and prayer, encouraging him to know and follow Christ and to be faithful members of His church?

Congregation: We do.

Question to the Children: And do you, children, promise to help teach Marco about the love of Jesus?

Children: We will.

†When this symbol precedes an element of the service, please rise in body or in spirit.

Please join in reading or singing those parts of the service printed in **bold**.

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Hymntune: DIOS ESTA' AQUI'

We encourage parents to give their children some loose change to bring forward for the offering.

†CREED

We are not alone, we live in God's world. We believe in God: who has created and is creating, who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh, to reconcile and make new, who works in us and others by the Spirit. We trust in God. We are called to be the Church: to celebrate God's presence, to live with respect in Creation, to love and serve others, to seek justice and resist evil, to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen, our judge and our hope. In life, in death, in life beyond death, God is with us. We are not alone. Thanks be to God. Amen.

CALL TO CONFESSION

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Forgiving God, we are thankful that your mercy is there before we need it, and we need it now. Forgive our frivolous attitude toward life, our callousness toward suffering, our obsession with creating a life of constant pleasure, our indifference to the treasures of heaven. Help us to change our way of life so that we may desire what is good, love what you love, and bring a smile to your face. In Jesus' name we pray...

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

†OUR RESPONSE 581 "Glory Be to the Father"

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.

Proclaiming the Word

UNISON PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

One: The Lord be with you.

Many: And also with you.

All: God of extravagant grace, may your Spirit refresh our hearts through the reading of these scriptures that we may better understand you and so grow in our faith. Amen.

FIRST TESTAMENT LESSON

Psalm 103:1-12

One: The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God!

SECOND TESTAMENT LESSON

Romans 5:6-11

One: The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God!

SERMON

"Following Jesus 101:
Forgive Unconditionally—Part 1"

Rev. Bethany Peerbolte

At baptisms the church affirms what it believes by using a creed, which is a statement of faith. This creed is from the United Church of Canada. It was approved for use by our session in 2015.

Confession acknowledges the reality of sin in our personal and corporate lives. This practice relieves us from the burden of sin and reminds us of the promise of God's forgiveness and grace sealed in our baptism.

This brief hymn of praise is an ancient text known as the Gloria Patri or "lesser doxology." We sing it to express thanksgiving for God's forgiveness.

We are an intentionally inclusive congregation and value the richness of worshiping with all God's people. There are times in the sanctuary when shouts or other loud noises may occur. We accept these without judgment, unless they are signs of distress in need of attention.

Please follow along with the reading on page 554 of the Old Testament in your Pew Bible.

Please follow along with the reading on page 155 of the New Testament in your Pew Bible.

Responding to God

†HYMN 441 “Hear the Good News of Salvation”

OFFERING INFORMATION

*Members and guests, please sign the Fellowship Pads
to let us know of your presence with us.*

OFFERING OF OUR LIVES AND RESOURCES

MUSICAL OFFERING “Draw the Circle Wide” Miller
Chancel Choir

†THE DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Christ, all creatures here below;
Praise Holy Spirit evermore;
Praise triune God whom we adore. Amen.

Sealing the Word

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD’S PRAYER

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.

Bearing and Following the Word into the World

†HYMN 435 “There’s a Wideness in God’s Mercy”

†BLESSING

POSTLUDE “Trumpet Tune in A” Johnson

Andrew Herbruck, Director of Music Ministries, is playing the service.

The liturgist this morning is Keith Termaat. Keith has served as a Deacon and an Elder. He is a retired Ford executive who leads a nonprofit company seeking to stabilize Lake Michigan waters, and balance ecology and prosperity in the community. Keith strives for a purpose driven life.

The flowers in the chancel today are dedicated to Carl Fischer for his ten years of faithful service as our volunteer Business Manager. He is “retiring” as of this week. Feel free to let Carl know how much you have appreciated all that he has done for us.

The ushers are Kevin Casady, Jim King, Paul Nelson, Rick and Renee Parker, Tom Russell, Leader, Grace, Lilly and Joe Schlafhauser and Rod Spearin.

A Stephen Minister is available in the Calvin Hall for prayer and conversation following the service.

Hymntune: NETTLESON

Prayer cards may be placed in the offering plates and will be prayed over by the staff this week.

All that we have is a gift from God. In gratitude, we return a portion of those blessings to the work of God in the church. TEXT your general fund contribution to 248.600.4919, or contribute online through the giving tab on the website.

A doxology is a short hymn of praise. We sing this response in gratitude for God’s provision for us and for the church.

Hymntune: IN BABILONE

The service of worship concludes following the postlude. Please take this time to reflect on the day’s worship before you exit the sanctuary.

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