



First Sunday After the Epiphany

January 12, 2025

THE CHURCH GATHERS

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS, PASSING THE PEACE, PRELUDE

PRAYER FOR THE PREPARATION OF WORSHIP (Leader)

Dear Lord. Thank you for this quiet hour. For the chance to sit and breathe. For this opportunity to unhook our yokes and lay down our burdens and cares. Let us not take this time for granted. Guide us to open our minds and soften our hearts. Ready to hear your word, to consider how we might apply these lessons to our lives. And mostly to say Thank You for your constant companionship and grace. Let us worship God.

*Hymnal No. 469 (Blue hymnal)

Morning Has Broken

A Litany of Praise

Leader: God sees the hurt of all God's people.

People: Praise the God of our salvation!

Leader: God wants everyone to be saved.

People: Praise the God of our salvation!

Leader: God sent Jesus to give himself for all.

People: Praise the God of our salvation!

*GLORIA PATRI – *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*

A Message for the Young at Heart

WE GIVE THANK OFFERINGS TO GOD

Tithes and Offerings

Organ Offertory

*Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

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

A Time For People To Pray and 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.

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Amos 8:1-12; 9:13-15

THE SERMON

Dr. William D. Coker

“Amos – Brown Spots on a Banana”

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

Response to the Word

(Unison)

We seek to serve you, O God, by serving others: the poor, the needy, the least, and the lost. Help us hear anew your words, that we may become more faithful stewards of the gifts you give us each day, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

WE GO IN GOD'S NAME

*Hymnal No. 388 (Blue hymnal)

O Jesus I Have Promised

*Benediction

As the disciples walked with Christ so long ago, walk with Christ in your hearts and spirits. Feel the power of the Holy Spirit guiding your path. Know the love of God which is poured out for you and rejoice. Go in peace and may God's peace go with you. AMEN.

POSTLUDE – () *We stand as we are able.*

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1. The flowers this Sunday are given by Wayne & Melinda Howell in memory of Melinda's father, Reverend Byron Milton, who died on January 15, 2019. Reverend Milton was the pastor here from 1972-1979.
2. 8 Most Significant Words: *"Who will you invite to church next Sunday?"*
3. #1 Reason to Be at First Pres: *Because we know why we're here - to share the Real Jesus.*
4. We will have our Annual Congregational & Corporation Meetings after worship on January 12th.
5. Prayer List:
 - a. Patsy Rohrer (sister-in-law of Margaret Connor) - she will be scanned again after the holidays and will get results mid-January. She is feeling stronger and has gained a little weight.
 - b. Cathy Martin (Biff's sister) - She has Pancreatic Cancer and is continuing with chemotherapy. She has a coach who has been encouraging to her. Cathy is fighting hard. Pray that the chemo will work.
 - c. Bubba Harrison-The family looking for a care facility to assist with his care and comfort
6. If anyone has a prayer request/need, you can fill out a prayer card and place it in the offering plate or email us at 1stprestifton@gmail.com.
7. Our fellowship luncheon will be next Sunday, January 19th.
8. The sign-up sheet for flowers is in the narthex



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