

Order of Worship

~Gathering~

PRELUDE
CHIMES
WELCOME

* **HYMN** "Good Christian Friends, Rejoice" #28

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Presents unwrapped.

Many: Batteries are all run-down. Christmas trees are turning brown.

One: Still, one present glows so bright.

Many: The child in a manger with heavenly light.

One: Christmas continues the whole year round.

Many: Many: Wherever love and kindness abound.

One: One: So gather your wits and sing loud and strong.

Many: Many: Christmas continues, so raise up your song!

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Creative God, you make all things new and you hold out a new day and year for us. Yet, how often we squander the opportunities, letting our doubts overwhelm us, letting our sins bind us, letting our fears stop us. You offer us new dreams and we succumb to old weaknesses; you offer us hope and we choose the comfortable. Creative God, we have touched the joy of Christmas. Let us carry a measure of delight and bounty of love into your new day. Fill us with the joy of living and the spirit of giving as we approach this new year. In the name of Jesus, Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

This is the Good News which Christ makes known to us: We are forgiven! Because we are forgiven, we have peace to share; because we are loved enough, we have love to give; because we are touched by God's mercy, we have grace to share; thanks be to God! Amen.

***THE GLORIA PATRIA** #579
***PASSING OF CHRIST'S PEACE**

~The Word~

HYMN "As With Gladness Men of Old" #63

SCRIPTURES Psalm 148 (responsively) p. 582
Matthew 2:1-12 P. 2

SERMON "The Journey of the Magi" Coralee Krueger

~Response~

SHARING WITH THE COMMUNITY OF BELIEVERS; PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE and PASTORAL PRAYER; THE LORD'S PRAYER; ORGAN RESPONSE

OFFERING

***DOXOLOGY** #592

~Sending~

***SENDING HYMN** "We Three Kings of Orient Are" #66

*BENEDICTION

***CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE** "What Child Is This" vs. 3 #53
So bring Him incense, gold, and myrrh; Come, one and all, to own Him. The King of kings salvation brings; Let loving hearts enthrone Him. This, this is Christ the King, Whom shepherds guard and angels sing; Haste, haste to bring Him laud, the Babe, the Son of Mary!

***POSTLUDE** (*All who are able, please stand.)

PASTOR: Rev. Bonnie Roys
PASTOR EMERITUS: Rev. Charles Reid
ORGANIST: Joanne Nelson
PIANIST: Shelley Lovell & Renee Harnack
ELDER OF THE DAY: Bill Mielke

+++++

Mission Statement ~ BY GOD'S GRACE, We are an inclusive community, faithful to Christ through all of life's stages, who go beyond ourselves to minister to all people. We are dedicated to cultivating, deepening, and showing our faith and reflecting the love of God.

First Presbyterian Church

First Sunday after Christmas
January 1, 2017 - 10:30 a.m.

OUR CHURCH CALENDAR

Tuesday: 3:30 p.m. Pack Backpacks
Wednesday: 5:00 p.m. Session Meeting
Thursday: 5:00 p.m. TOPS
Sunday: 9:15 a.m. Sunday School
10:30 a.m. Worship - Installation/Ordination

WE'RE GLAD YOU CAME TO JOIN WITH US in our worship time today. We hope that you have felt God's love in a new, refreshing way. For you're so welcomed in this place and we hope you'll come again, to join with us in fellowship and to make some special friends.

ORDINATION and INSTALLATION is Sunday, January 8th.

FAMILY SUNDAY SCHOOL is Sunday, January 8th at 9:15 a.m.

PACKING FOOD IS JANUARY 3! Food for hungry kids goes home from school every weekend! FPC is taking our turn packing food! Go to American Lutheran at 3:30 p.m. to get together with other Presbyterians to get back packs ready. Call Dianne Sykora 831-5562 if you would like to pack. Loose offering the week we pack bags supports the Backpack Buddy program. **Thanks for your help. This is an important ministry to the kids of our community.**

PASTOR BONNIE'S OFFICE SCHEDULE is as followed: Monday - off; Tuesday - work at home in Winnebago; Wednesday-Friday - 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at Church; Saturday - off; Sunday 9:30- Noon at Church and afternoons off. Unless emergency or meetings. Other times by appointment. Pastor Bonnie's cell is 507-525-4825 and email is revbsr@gmail.com.

<u>Attendance</u>	<u>Income</u>
December 4 - 35	\$2,745.00
December 11 - 40	\$795.00
December 18 - closed due to weather	\$0
December 25 -	\$1,505.00



www.WindomPres.org
Email: firstpresbyterian10@yahoo.com
336 11th Street - P.O. Box 155 ● Windom, Minnesota
(507)831-2532