

Announcements

Welcome. We extend a warm welcome to all who worship with us today. If you are a visitor, please feel free to pick up a blue informational folder outside the entrances to the sanctuary to learn more about our church. Also, please fill out a visitor card in the pew racks and place in the offering plate so we can have a record of your visit. Thank you.

Operation Christmas Child. Please consider filling a shoebox for Samaritan's Purse. These boxes will be shipped to many different countries to bring joy and smiles to underprivileged children around the world. Today is the deadline for donations and boxes. Please make checks payable to Samaritan's Purse.

Advent Season. The preparation of our church for the Advent Season involves "hanging of the greens" and decorating two Narthex trees with crimson ornaments, and placing the poinsettia plants. Please consider lending a hand for this special occasion on Saturday, November 29, 2014 from 9:00 to 11:00 am. Donuts and beverages will be provided.

Upcoming Business Items. The Congregational Meeting to elect officers and approve the 2015 budget is scheduled for December 7th.

Christmas Poinsettias. Order forms and envelopes can be found at the entrances to the sanctuary. The deadline for ordering is November 23.

Ladies Christmas Party. On Saturday, December 13 at 6:00 pm we will meet at Mosca's downtown Burlington. We will order off the menu (plan on \$7-\$13), but we will provide a special dessert treat. A gift exchange is planned. Please bring a gift (\$10-\$15 value) if you'd like to participate. Please RSVP to Jessica Richardson by Sunday, December 5 at 336-437-4388 or richardson.jessica83@gmail.com.

Upcoming Preaching Schedule:

Today - Dr. Bob Cara
November 16 - Steven Crotts

Ministry Information

Nursery

Today: Kristen Carter and Connie Bennett
Next Week: Chelle Spencer and Fran Haynes

Counter:

Today: Gene Parks
Next Week: David Newton

Deacon on Duty

Today: Mark Vestal
Next Week: Glenn Owens

Tithes and Offerings for November 2:

General Fund	\$5,026.00
Faith Promise	\$ 150.00
Poinsettias	\$ 40.00

The Session

Vice Moderator: Gene Parks
Clerk: Jim Knox

2015: Jim Knox, Gene Parks
2017: Bill Haynes

The Diaconate

Chairman: Glenn Owens
Vice Chairman: Mark Vestal
Secretary: Doug Glass

2014: Glenn Owens, Mark Vestal
2015: Doug Glass
2016: David Newton, Tim Bessette

Congregational Officers

Trustees: Jim Knox, Steve Kyaw, Gene Parks
Congregational Chairperson: Dot Hutelmyer
Congregational Treasurer: Laurene Howington
Congregational Secretary: Jim Knox

Women's Ministries

Women's Ministries Coordinator: Jessica Richardson
Evening Bible Study Leader: Dot Hutelmyer

Church Staff

Pastor:

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First Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church

The Twenty Second Sunday after Pentecost

November 9, 2014

Preparation

Silent Meditation - Psalm 99:1-5

- ¹ The Lord reigns; let the peoples tremble!
He sits enthroned upon the cherubim; let the earth quake!
- ² The Lord is great in Zion;
he is exalted over all the peoples.
- ³ Let them praise your great and awesome name!
Holy is he!
- ⁴ The King in his might loves justice.
You have established equity;
you have executed justice
and righteousness in Jacob.
- ⁵ Exalt the Lord our God;
worship at his footstool!
Holy is he!

Prelude

Julie Snow

Welcome, Announcements, and Greeting

Call to Worship - Psalm 106:1 (Responsive Reading)

Praise the Lord!

**Oh give thanks to the Lord, for he is good,
for his steadfast love endures forever!**

* Hymn of Preparation

20 All People That on Earth Do Dwell *Old Hundredth*

Adoration

* Invocation

* Hymn of Adoration

94 How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds *St. Peter*

* Congregation Standing

Confession

Corporate Prayer of Confession

God of love, it is your will that we should love you with heart, soul, mind, strength, and our neighbor as ourselves, but we are not sufficient for these things. We confess that our affections continually turn away from you: from purity to lust, from freedom to slavery, from compassion to indifference, from fullness to emptiness. Have mercy on us. Order our lives by your holy Word, and make your commandments the joy of our hearts. Conform us to the image of your loving Son, Jesus, that we may shine before the world to your glory. Amen.

Silent Prayers of Personal Confession

Assurance of Pardon - II Corinthians 5:21

For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

* 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. Amen.

Proclamation

New Testament Reading - II Corinthians 1:18-20

¹⁸ As surely as God is faithful, our word to you has not been Yes and No. ¹⁹ For the Son of God, Jesus Christ, whom we proclaimed among you, Silvanus and Timothy and I, was not Yes and No, but in him it is always Yes. ²⁰ For all the promises of God find their Yes in him. That is why it is through him that we utter our Amen to God for his glory.

Minister The Word of the Lord
People **Thanks be to God.**

Anthem

Holy Is The Lord-Worship Suite

Choir

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Ed Limon

Old Testament Reading - Psalm 106:47-48

⁴⁷ Save us, O Lord our God, and gather us from among the nations, that we may give thanks to your holy name and glory in your praise.

⁴⁸ Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel, from everlasting to everlasting! And let all the people say, "Amen!" Praise the Lord!

Prayer for Illumination

Sermon

Dr. Bob Cara

Amen

Dedication

* Hymn of Response

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Jesus Shall Reign

Duke Street

Affirmation of Faith — Westminster Shorter Catechism 21

The only Redeemer of God's elect is the Lord Jesus Christ, who, being the eternal Son of God, became man, and so was, and continueth to be, God and man in two distinct natures, and one person, forever.

Prayer of Intercession and 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,
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.***

* Doxology

*Praise God from Whom all blessings flow
Praise Him all creatures here below
Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
Amen.*

Charge and Benediction

Postlude