

### ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

The annual meeting of congregation and corporation will be on Sunday, January 24, after the 11:00 service, immediately following a luncheon, in the Fellowship Hall. Please join us for this important meeting. Childcare will be provided. The meeting will include a report and recommendation from the Pastor Nominating Committee. To help with meal planning for the luncheon, please let us know by Wednesday, January 20 if you plan to attend.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

**First Fellowship, Thursday, January 14, 11:30 am:** Rev. Lee Power will compare the texts of Luke and Matthew and the passages surrounding the birth of Jesus. Social time is at 11:15 am with luncheon at 11:30 am. Don't miss this fresh look at these well-known accounts of the Nativity. Reservations should be made through your caller or to the church office 442-4411 no later than Monday, January 11 at noon. The cost for the meal is \$7.00

**Request for Gifts for new Chancel Organ Console:** Our church is addressing the pipe organ's immediate need, which is this: we need to replace the console which no longer does what the organist tries to make it do. Performance problems occur intermittently and without warning. The worse news is that the console could suffer a major breakdown with just as little advance indication. The Session has approved an expenditure of \$30,000 to cover the costs of solving these urgent problems by replacing the two-manual keyboard console with a three-manual keyboard housed in a solid-state electrical unit. Of this amount, \$12,750 has been paid from existing funds; the rest must be found elsewhere. The church has an organ fund to accommodate donations toward meeting such costs. Contributions are welcome to help defray the immediate expense of providing us with a reliable console. This is the first phase of a long-term program to rebuild and renovate the organ's most crucial elements before age and use catch up with them. Donations designated for the organ fund are welcome in the collection plate, or you may discuss a gift with Barry.

**Special Offerings:** Thank you for your Christmas Eve Joy Offering totaling \$2,516.49. Your gifts will help present educational opportunities to young people, and to offer assistance, when needed, to those who have shared their gifts with the church.

**Prayer Concerns:** Mary Margaret Morton, Billy Thompson, Mary Schaller, Eva Stalker, John Burhorn, Jim Scroggs, Catherine Cross, Rita Davis, Sue Ellen Ward, Rev. Maury Roberts, Marion Orton, Molly Williams, Margot Grossman (Byron Haines' Niece), Laurie Marshall (death of her mother), LeGene Vaughn (Mary Schlegal's sister-in-law), Chiko Sekiguchi (death of Ted), Becky Purcell (death of her Uncle Sam McCammon), Verne Righter, Pam Jenkins (sister of Laura Winburn's step-mother), Rita Manske (death of her sister Sandra Kretzer), Patsy Brewer (death of Ted), Mary Beth Coldwell (death of her mother Mary Frances Gladney), 2nd Lt. Alec Burner-Abt (Barbara Brown's nephew), Alyce Brown (David Brown's mother), Alex Ruth (death of his father), Barbara George (death of her stepfather), Ronnie Denn, John, Colin, and Bronwyn Dixon (death of Jan), Jennifer Cole (daughter of Carole Walter), Randy and Pam Andersen, Cindy Andersen, Emily and Buckley Bridges, Erin and John Wilson, Melissa Wilson (death of Matthew: son, husband, brother and brother-in-law, uncle), Helen Ezell, Laurie Reh (death of her mother), Lene Wells (sister-in-law of Kathy Sprouse), David Dulin and family (friends of Mary Jo Harvey), Connie and Jeff Taylor (daughter and son-in-law of Mary Jo Harvey), Julie Olsen (death of her grandmother), Sue Gohn (death of sister), Norman Koch (father of Janet Clausen), Eleanor, Fred and Diane Shefte (death of Don), family of Jane Nelson (death of Jane), Edward Jackson (death of his grandfather), Tom Houston (death of his father), Greg Selzer (Cathy Irwin's brother), Brooksie Cate Lawson (Nancy Mays' aunt)

Please call the church office, 442-4411, during the week with prayer concerns, joys or hospital information.

### CALENDAR

SUNDAY, JANUARY 10

**Worship Services\*:** Sanctuary: 8:30 am: Communion, 11:00 am  
**CEO Offering** (Due to the number of absences on January 3, we are extending the opportunity to give to CEO to this Sunday).  
**Ordination and Installation of the Elders and Deacons**  
**Pre-school & Elementary Sunday School:** 9:30 am, Upper and Lower Knox  
**2nd and 3rd grade chimes:** (after Sunday School) 10:25-10:45 am, Lower Knox  
**4th and 5th grade chimes:** (before Sunday School) 9:30-9:50 am, Lower Knox  
**Confirmation Class for 6th and 7th grade:** Lower Knox  
**8th- 12th grade Sunday School:** Recreation Room  
**Adult Sunday School Assembly:** 9:30 am, Fellowship Hall  
**Adult Sunday School:** 9:45 am, assigned space  
**Youth Bells:** 3:00 pm, Sanctuary  
**UPY:** 4:00 pm, Recreation Room  
**Moderator Training:** 5:00 pm, Library  
**Stated Session:** 6:00 pm, Library

### WEEKDAY CALENDAR

MONDAY, JANUARY 11

**First School Chapel:** 8:45 am  
**Boy Scouts:** 7:00 pm, Activity Center

TUESDAY, JANUARY 12

**First School Chapel:** 8:45 am  
**PW Circle 1:** 9:30 am  
**Girls Chorus:** 5:45 pm, Fellowship Hall  
**Adult Handbells:** 6:30 pm, Sanctuary  
**PW Circle 2:** 6:30 pm, Activity Center

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 13

**Annual Reports Due:** Noon, Church Office  
**Bulletin Announcements Due for January 17:** Noon, Church Office  
**Men's Breakfast:** 6:30 am, Village Inn  
**Staff Meeting :** 11:00 am, Commons  
**First School Jitterbugs:** 11:30 am, Fellowship Hall  
**Chancel Choir Rehearsal:** 7:15 pm, Music Room

THURSDAY, JANUARY 14

**First Fellowship:** 11:30 am, Fellowship Hall  
**First School Jitterbugs:** 11:30 am, Library  
**Intercessory Prayer Group:** 3:30 pm, BTV Library  
**Everyone Can Sing:** 7:00 pm, Activity Center

FRIDAY, JANUARY 15

**7-Hills Community Meals:** 8:30 am, Kitchen  
**Hooks and Needles:** 10:00 am, Activity Center  
**First School Commission Mtg:** 12:45 pm, Commons Room

SATURDAY, JANUARY 16

**AA Meeting:** 6:00 pm, Activity Center

SUNDAY, JANUARY 17

**Worship Services\*:** Sanctuary: 8:30 am: Communion, 11:00 am  
**Pre-school & Elementary Sunday School through Adult Sunday School** (See Sunday School Schedule Above)  
**Youth Bells:** 3:00 pm  
**UPY:** 4:00 pm

\*Indicates that professional childcare is provided for these events.  
#Indicates that reservations must be made.

### STAFF

Rev. Barry Williams  
Interim Pastor

Rev. Lee Power  
Parish Assistant

Kristi Button  
Director of Christian Education

Dr. Todd Prickett  
Director of Music

Jeannie Lee  
Organist

Melanie Dietzel  
Administrative Assistant

Tommy Kidd  
Custodian

## First United Presbyterian Church Fayetteville, Arkansas

*Called to be a **light on the hill**,  
we boldly proclaim and serve Christ,  
the hope of our changing world.*



*First United Presbyterian Church  
is a faithful, dynamic congregation  
visibly demonstrating a deep commitment  
to proclaim Jesus Christ,  
as we lovingly grow in discipleship  
and eagerly engage in service to others.*

**January 10, 2010**

**The Baptism of the Lord**

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY  
THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD  
JANUARY 10, 2010

GATHERING

PRELUDE *Pastorale Sicilienne*  
J. Mattheson/O. Respighi

\*PASSING THE PEACE  
The peace of Christ be with you.  
**And also with you.**

LIFE AND WORK OF GOD'S PEOPLE

STRIKING OF THE BELL AND LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES  
(11:00am)  
ACOLYTES: Will Hewat and Daniel Byars

INTROIT *I Will Worship the Lord* John Rutter

\*CALL TO WORSHIP (responsive) based on Psalm 29  
Gather from East and West, from North and South.  
God is calling us; listen, for God is naming you.  
**The voice of God thunders through our midst.**  
**The voice of God is powerful and full of majesty.**  
Bow in awe before the one who created you.  
God knows you completely, yet accepts you.  
**The voice of God commands our attention.**  
**The voice of God is like fire and tornado.**  
God reaches out to strengthen, not condemn us.  
God brings us through difficulty to a place of peace.  
**Ascribe to God glory and strength.**  
**Worship God in awe, wonder, and joy!**

\*PRAYER OF ADORATION

\*HYMN *Baptized in Water* PH 492

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**In the waters of baptism, O God, you have cleansed us  
and claimed us. Forgive us for resisting your grace  
and for denying your name. We have followed  
our own paths, and they have led us far from you.**  
**Help us to live into our baptisms,  
to trust that all we need is in you,  
for you have marked as your own, loving us without limit.**  
**Wash us with your love again, so that with clean hearts  
we may go in the way of Jesus.**  
(silent confession)

\*KYRIE

*Lord, have mercy, upon us.*  
*Christ, have mercy, upon us.*  
*Lord, have mercy, upon us.*

\*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

God has redeemed us, claimed us, called us by name.  
We are precious in God's sight  
Our God forgives and empowers.  
**God blesses us with a peace  
that is more powerful than any outward circumstance.**  
**The assurances of God are eternal.**  
Friends believe the good news of the gospel.  
**In Jesus Christ we are forgiven! Thanks be to God!**

\*GLORIA PATRI PH 579

THE WORD

CHILDREN'S SERMON

OLD TESTAMENT LESSONS Psalm 29, Isaiah 43:1-7

ANTHEM *Wade in the Water* arr. Mark Hayes

GOSPEL LESSON Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

SERMON *Simple Acts in Water, Bread, and Service*  
Rev. Barry Williams

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

\*HYMN (11:00am) *The Summons* STF 2130

SERVICE OF ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION  
(11:00 AM)

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY *Jesus, Dwell Thou with Us* Roger Wilson

\*DOXOLOGY PH 592

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

**For bringing us safely to this hour,  
we give you thanks, O God of wind and fire.**  
**May our tithes and offerings honor you.**  
**May our lives reflect your mercy.**  
**May our hands bestow on others the blessings  
we have received. May our prayers unite us with one another  
and with Christ, in whose name we celebrate  
the privilege of giving.**  
**Amen**

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION (8:30 AM)

SENDING

\*HYMN *Here I Am, Lord* PH 525  
{Due to the number of weather-related absences last Sunday,  
we are extending the opportunity to give to CEO.  
Please bring your CEO (Cooperative Emergency Outreach) donations  
forward to the communion table during the last hymn.}

\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

Dare to face the world in joyous freedom.  
You have been baptized with the Holy Spirit and with fire.  
**We pray for courage to do what is right.**  
**We seek the strength to witness for peace.**  
We are God's beloved children.  
Let us seek to live in ways that are pleasing to God.  
**God has created us for glory.**  
**We will worship the God of power and strength.**  
Even now God's hand of blessing rests on us.  
The dove of peace descends upon us.  
**We welcome the Spirit's presence among us.**  
**We celebrate the Spirit's work within us. Praise God.**  
Amen  
**Amen**

CHORAL BENEDICTION *A Prayer of Saint Patrick* John Rutte

POSTLUDE *Rejoice! The Redeemer Has Come!* Gerald Peterson

\*Please stand as you are able.

*Please register your attendance on the Friendship pad.*

**WELCOME GUESTS,** we pray that our worship together will strengthen and nurture our faith. If you are seeking a church home, please feel free to learn more about First United Presbyterian Church by speaking to a minister, a staff member, or a member of Session.  
**CHILDREN'S WORSHIP PACKETS** are available in the Narthex. These include activity sheets, crayons and bookmarks.  
**PROFESSIONAL NURSERY CARE** is provided in lower level Calvin.  
**MEMBERSHIP IN FIRST UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH—All are invited** to unite with the church by profession of faith, reaffirmation of faith, or transfer of church letter. If you have questions, please do not hesitate to contact one of the pastors or the church office (442-4411).