

# FIRST UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Second Sunday after Epiphany  
January 15, 2012—11:00 a.m.

695 E. Calvin Street  
Fayetteville, Arkansas

## GATHERING

### PRELUDE

*Toccata in A Major*

Johann Speth  
Jeannie Lee, organist

### LIFE AND WORK OF GOD'S PEOPLE

Rev. Jan Butin

*Please sign the Friendship Pads as they are passed. If you are new, welcome!  
We will appreciate knowing how we can stay in touch with you.*

### STRIKING THE BELL AND LIGHTING THE CANDLES

Acolytes: Molly Dean and Sarah Schneringer

### INTROIT

*This Is the Day the Lord Has Made*

arr. Wesley

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 139)

Jennifer Ross

O Lord, you have searched me and known me.  
**You know when I sit down and when I rise up;  
You discern my thoughts from far away.**  
You search out my path and my lying down,  
**and are acquainted with all my ways.**  
Even before a word is on my tongue, O Lord,  
**you know it completely.**  
You surround me, behind and before,  
**and lay your hand upon me.**  
Such knowledge is too wonderful for me;  
**it is so high that I cannot attain it.**  
Search me, O God, and know my heart;  
**test me and know my thoughts.**  
See if there is any hurtful way in me,  
**and lead me in the way everlasting.**

### \*HYMN 371

*Lift High the Cross*

Presbyterian Hymnal

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, you know us far better than we know ourselves. You know our needs before we ask, and our unworthiness in asking. Forgive us now for all the ways we have resisted your call. Give us courage to respond to your gracious initiative in our lives, and to share you with those we love. May we receive confidence to freely share your goodness, that others might recognize you as the Son of God, and come and see for themselves who you are. *(Silent Confession)* Amen.

## ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Friends, believe the good news of the gospel:  
in Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

### \*RESPONSE 2130

*The Summons* (verses 1 and 5)

Sing the Faith

Will you come and follow me if I but call your name?  
Will you go where you don't know and never be the same?  
Will you let my love be shown, will you let my name be known,  
will you let my life be grown in you and you in me?

Lord, your summons echoes true when you but call my name.  
Let me turn and follow you and never be the same.  
In your company I'll go where your love and footsteps show.  
Thus I'll move and live and grow in you and you in me.

### \*PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you!  
And also with you!

## PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

### CHILDREN'S SONG 2233

*Where Children Belong*

Sing the Faith

This, this is where children belong,  
welcomed as part of the worshipping throng.  
Water, God's Word, bread and cup, prayer, and song:  
This is where children belong.

### A TIME WITH CHILDREN

Kristi Button

### ANTHEM

*I Have Decided to Follow Jesus*

John Carter

### PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

### OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

I Samuel 3:1-10; 15-20

*Now the boy Samuel was ministering to the LORD under Eli. The word of the LORD was rare in those days; visions were not widespread. 2 At that time Eli, whose eyesight had begun to grow dim so that he could not see, was lying down in his room; 3 the lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the temple of the LORD, where the ark of God was. 4 Then the LORD called, "Samuel! Samuel!" and he said, "Here I am!" 5 and ran to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call; lie down again." So he went and lay down. 6 The LORD called again, "Samuel!" Samuel got up and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call, my son; lie down again." 7 Now Samuel did not yet know the LORD, and the word of the LORD had not yet been revealed to him. 8 The LORD called Samuel again, a third time. And he got up and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." Then Eli perceived that the LORD was calling the boy. 9 Therefore Eli said to Samuel, "Go, lie down; and if he calls you, you shall say, 'Speak, LORD, for your servant is listening.'" So Samuel went and lay down in his place. 10 Now the LORD came and stood there, calling as before, "Samuel! Samuel!" And Samuel said, "Speak, for your servant is listening." . . . 15 Samuel lay*

there until morning; then he opened the doors of the house of the LORD. Samuel was afraid to tell the vision to Eli. 16 But Eli called Samuel and said, "Samuel, my son." He said, "Here I am." 17 Eli said, "What was it that he told you? Do not hide it from me. May God do so to you and more also, if you hide anything from me of all that he told you." 18 So Samuel told him everything and hid nothing from him. Then he said, "It is the LORD; let him do what seems good to him." 19 As Samuel grew up, the LORD was with him and let none of his words fall to the ground. 20 And all Israel from Dan to Beer-sheba knew that Samuel was a trustworthy prophet of the LORD.

## GOSPEL LESSON

John 1:43-51

The next day Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, "Follow me." 44 Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. 45 Philip found Nathanael and said to him, "We have found him about whom Moses in the law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus son of Joseph from Nazareth." 46 Nathanael said to him, "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?" Philip said to him, "Come and see." 47 When Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him, he said of him, "Here is truly an Israelite in whom there is no deceit!" 48 Nathanael asked him, "Where did you get to know me?" Jesus answered, "I saw you under the fig tree before Philip called you." 49 Nathanael replied, "Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!" 50 Jesus answered, "Do you believe because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than these." 51 And he said to him, "Very truly, I tell you, you will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man."

## SERMON

*Come and See*

Rev. Phil Butin

## RESPONSE TO THE WORD

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** from A Brief Statement of Faith (Book of Confessions)

**We trust in God the Holy Spirit, everywhere the giver and renewer of life. The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith, sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor, and binds us together with all believers in the one body of Christ, the Church. The same Spirit who inspired the prophets and apostles rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture, engages us through the Word proclaimed, claims us in the waters of baptism, feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation, and calls women and men to all ministries of the Church. In a broken and fearful world the Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing, to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior, to unmask idolatries in Church and culture, to hear the voices of peoples long silenced, and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace. In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives, even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth, praying, Come, Lord Jesus!**

## COMMISSIONING OF STEPHEN MINISTERS

### HYMN 2222

*The Servant Song*

Sing the Faith

### PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

*As the offering is received, acolytes receive the Friendship Pad pages.*

### OFFERTORY

*God is Working*

Richard Blake

**\*RESPONSE 2162***Grace Alone (verse 2 and chorus)*

Sing the Faith

Every soul we long to reach, every heart we hope to teach,  
everywhere we share his peace is only by his grace.  
Every loving word we say, every tear we wipe away,  
every sorrow turned to praise is only by his grace.

Chorus:

Grace alone which God supplies, strength unknown he will provide.  
Christ in us our Cornerstone; we will go forth in grace alone.

**PRAYER OF DEDICATION****THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER**

God in your grace . . . You hear our prayers.

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.

**SENDING****\*HYMN 426***Lord, Speak to Me That I May Speak*

Presbyterian Hymnal

**BENEDICTION****CHORAL BENEDICTION***Called to Be a Light*

Larson/Prickett

**POSTLUDE***Fugue*

Johann Pachelbel