

## We Gather to Worship

Prelude In Christ You Have Been Baptized Emily Clem

Welcome and Announcements Pastor Jim Truesdell

\* Call to Worship Elder Cindy Witt

Sing, and bless God's Name:  
**tell the glad news of salvation from day to day.**  
Proclaim God's glory to the nations,  
**God's marvelous deeds to all peoples.**

\*Hymn The King of Love My Sheperd Is #802

\*Call to Confession Cindy Witt

\*Prayer of Confession Unison

**Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.**

**In your mercy forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name.**

\* Kyrie Eleison Unison

\*Assurance of Pardon Pastor Truesdell

\* The Gloria Patri Unison

**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.**

\* Sharing the Peace of Christ Pastor Truesdell

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you all.  
**All: And also with you.**

## We Listen to God's Word

"This Little Light of Mine"

Time with Young Disciples Pastor Truesdell

Prayer of Illumination Cindy Witt

First Reading Luke 24: 13-27  
p. 1,047 Cindy Witt

Anthem Will You Come and Follow Me The Chancel Choir

Second Reading Acts 2: 42-47  
p. 1,079 Pastor Truesdell

Response Leader: The Word of the Lord.  
**All: Thanks be to God.**

Sermon We Are Church Part 2 of 5  
"The Apostles Teaching" Pastor Truesdell

## We Respond to God's Grace

\*Hymn How Firm A Foundation # 463

\* Affirmation of Faith Unison

The Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried;**

**he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Prayers of The People Pastor Truesdell

\*The Lord's Prayer Unison

**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.**

Invitation to Worship God with Our Offering

Offertory Emily Clem

\*Doxology

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

\* Prayer of Dedication Pastor Truesdell

\*Hymn I Love to Tell the Story #462

\*Charge Pastor Truesdell

\*Benediction

\* Postlude Holy, Holy, Holy Emily Clem

\*Stand if you are able

## PRAYER REQUESTS

### CHURCH FAMILY

Marv & Elizabeth Price (Health)      Duane Counter (Health & Healing)  
Doris Welch (Home)                      Suzanne Weeks (Healing)  
Dean Steele                                  Jac Catlett  
Susie Fogg (Home)                         Diane Lynn (Health)  
Sharon Massey                              Gale Cottles (Healing)  
Melvin & Ruth Clem (Health)         Ken (Healing) and Connie Brown  
Debbi O'Neill (Healing)                 Charlotte Lyle (Healing)

### THOSE SERVING IN THE MILITARY

Brandon Noel – Army                      Sean Miller - Army  
Adam Naves - Marines                    Damien Williams - Army  
Kevin O'Neill-Army Nat. Guard         Joshua Hargrove – Deployed  
Jay Tulley- Middle East                 Justin Ruf- Army Air Guard

### FAMILY AND FRIENDS

Larry Harris (Healing, friend of Chris Hilgeman)  
Sue Guyer (Health & Healing, Bonny Noel's sister)  
Alex Noel (Nephew of John & Bonny Noel)  
Hazel Ruf (Mason Ruf's mother, home)  
Gary Kilgo (Health, Kay Baugher & Carol Quillen's family member)  
Karen Ferguson (Potter's Hand)  
Keith Clem (Healing, cousin of Chris Paysinger)  
Amy Cotten (Potter's Hand)  
Telula Thornton (Healing and Comfort, mother of Karan Baker)  
Mike Frehner (Support, friend of David Lyle)  
Martha Taylor(Healing, mother of John Cagle)  
Silvey Family (Healing, daughter 3 years old)  
Maryann McKee (Healing, friend of Carol Copeland)  
Shannon Underwood (Healing, daughter of Barbara Welborn)  
Cadence Brooks (Healing, student of Cindy Witt)  
Jessica (Healing, neighbor of Jan Ruth)  
Karryl Anderson (Healing, Mexico mission supporter)  
Gerry Smith (Healing for knees, cousin of Jan Ruth)  
Tim Swymer (Healing, Lauren Cagle's uncle)  
Kristie Whitt (Healing, daughter of Alice Whitt)  
Charlotte Pickett (visitor to the church)  
Ronnie Cottles (Healing, father (in-law) of Michael & Gail Cottles)  
Patricia Kloninger (Healing, friend of Jan Ruth)  
Mia Bennett's mom (Healing, friend of Jim May)

## FOR OUR VISITORS:

We welcome you to worship and would love to connect with you personally. Prayer Request/Visitor cards are located in the pews. Please place it with the offering or give it to the pastor following the service. Thank you for worshipping with us today!

### The Session

<u>Class of 2025</u>	<u>Class of 2026</u>	<u>Class of 2027</u>
Karan Baker	Cindy Witt	Hal Baker
Gary Boyd	Stephen Ware	Brad Greene
Stanley Hand	Tom Clem	Sharon Hand
	<u>Trustees</u>	
John Noel	Price Boyd	Jerry Witt
	<u>PNC</u>	
Hal Baker	Karla Barnes	Stanley Hand
Vicki Kellogg	John Noel (Chair)	Libby Shindorf

### Staff

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Pastor Jim Truesdell

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### Flowers

The flowers are given to the glory of God. To sign up for flowers call the church office.



## Today's Services:

### Sermon

Pastor Jim Truesdell

### Liturgist

Elder Cindy Witt

### Musicians:

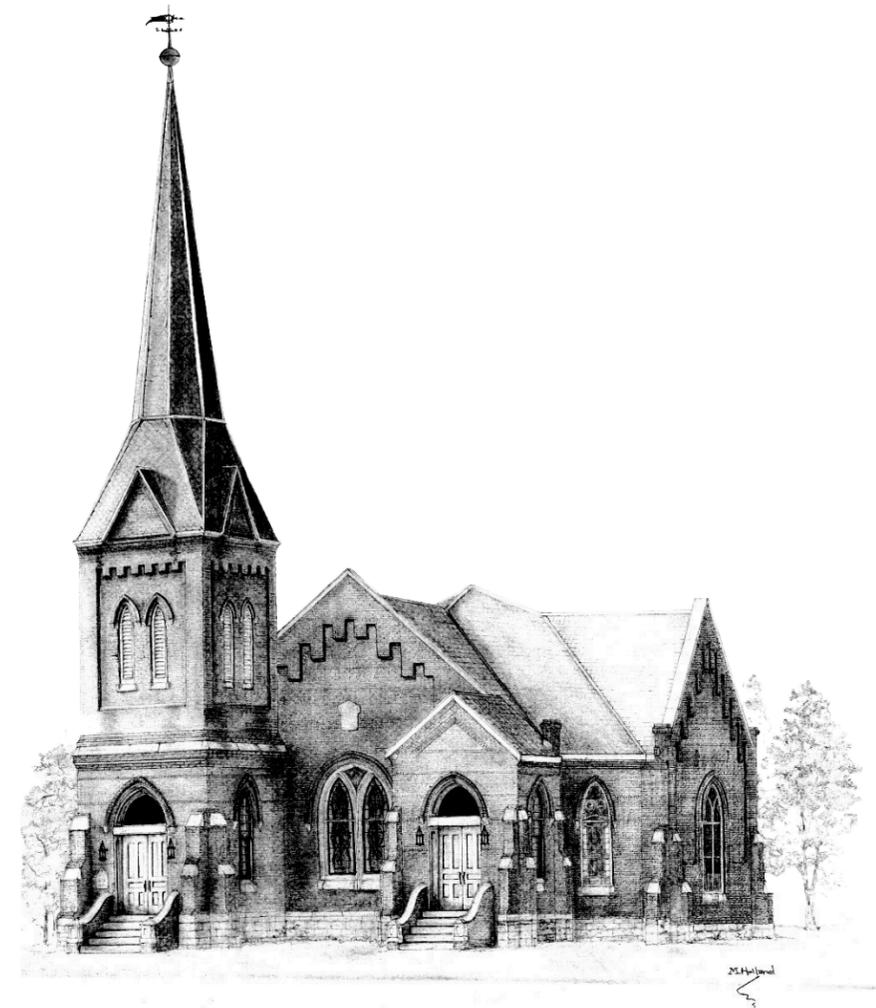
Erica Hand  
Emily Clem

### Volunteers:

#### Church Nursery:

January 18<sup>th</sup>- Suzanne Paysinger  
January 25<sup>th</sup>- Jennifer Quillen

January 11, 2026  
Baptism of the Lord



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*If you are looking for a place where you will be accepted, nurtured, and nourished in your journey of faith, or if you are still examining the claims of Christianity, then you are welcome at First Presbyterian Church.*

### Prayers of sympathy for:

Jan Gossett, Joel Noel,  
David Lupp  
and their families who  
all suffered a loss of a  
loved one during the  
holidays