

First Presbyterian Church

Sunday, January 30th
6:30 p.m.

A Community Service of Unity and Peace

The Evening Chimes of Peace

Welcome and Opening Prayer

Psalm 95 (Read Responsively by half verse. See Insert)

* **Hymn # 563** "Lift Every Voice and Sing" LIFT EVERY VOICE

Prayer for Christian Unity (unison)

Lord of the Church, we come as sheep separated into many flocks, but claiming one Shepherd; we come as a broken body with limb separated from limb, and yet singing, "all one body we;" we come as branches reaching out in different directions, but claiming to be a part of one tree; we come as disciples divided into denominations, but with one Master. We know from our past that the power for unity is through your spirit, that the reason for unity is through our common calling and mission, that the hope of unity is through the gift of your love. We pray for every church in this community, Catholic and Protestant, large and small, rich and poor, urban and suburban. We also pray for those of faiths and cultures unfamiliar to our own. Unite us, Lord, with a new sense of community, with a new spirit of compassion, and with a new strength of commitment to do your will. Amen.

"His Eye is on the Sparrow"

"Be Still and Know"

Dayspring

C. H. Gabriel, arr. T. Fettke

S. C. Chapman, arr. T. Fettke

"All Hail King Jesus"

"Order My Steps In Your Word"

Tonya Adside, Soprano

"Call on the Lord"

Florence Holsey, Alto

arr. C. Moore

arr. Gospel Music Workshop

Kirk Franklin

Flagg Chapel

Prayer of Equality (unison)

God, we know that every person is your beloved child. When anyone suffers, you suffer also. May we have the courage to bring equality among people so that your life, as well as ours, is free from the pain of injustice. Amen.

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Leader: The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Let us greet one another in the name of Christ.

Response of Praise "The Gloria Patri" (# 579)

H. Greatorex

"Everything to God in Prayer (What A Friend)"

Tracy Pelt, Soprano

D. Coley

"I'm Running for My Life"

Anderson Bentley, Baritone

arr. C. Wilson

Flagg Chapel

"Midwinter Carol"

Text: Christina Rossetti

Music: Gustav Holst, arr Z. Reissner

Para: Matthew 11:4-6 Lloyd Pfautsch

Dayspring

Litany of Unity (see insert)

"Midnight Cry"

"Stepping on the Clouds"

"Finally Home"

Greg and Chuck Day, arr. T. Fettke

Linda Stalls, arr. Cindy Berry

Don Wyrzten, arr. T. Fettke

Dayspring

"What if God is unhappy with our Praise"

"Thy Loving Kindness"

Craig Moore, Baritone

arr. R. Smallwood

Joe Pace

Flagg Chapel

Prayer for Peace and The 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; 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.

Affirmation of Faith

from Galatians 3:28

There can be neither Jew nor Greek, there can be neither slave nor free, there can be neither male nor female – for we are all one in Jesus Christ.

* Hymn # 420 “God of Grace and God of Glory” CWM RHONDDA

* Benediction

Choral Response (please be seated)

“My God is an Awesome God”

Keith Hampton

Soloists: Sandy Wright, Soprano Kim Hornsby, Alto Craig Moore, Baritone
Combined Choirs

* *Those who are able, please stand.*

Please join us in the fellowship hall for a reception immediately following the service.

Participating in this evening's service:

Rev. Sam Orr, Hardwick Baptist Church
Rev. Omer Reid, Flagg Chapel Baptist Church
Rev. Julia Parker Simmons, First Presbyterian Church

David Cole, Music Director, Hardwick Baptist Church
Craig Moore, Music Director, Flagg Chapel Baptist Church
Nathaniel Ballard, Pianist, Flagg Chapel Baptist Church

Caroline Carson, Music Director, First Presbyterian Church
First Presbyterian Chimes: Caroline Carson, Gay Cowan,
Cindy Rivers, Louise Sallstrom

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Guest Choirs from Flagg Chapel Baptist Church and
Hardwick Baptist Church



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People:

Leader: Make us one, Lord, in our eagerness to speak good news and set all captives free.

People: **Give us your Holy Spirit.**

Leader: Make us one, Lord, in concern for the poor, the hurt, and the downtrodden, to show them your love.

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Leader: Make us one, Lord, in worship, breaking bread together, and singing your praise with single voice.

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Leader: Make us one, Lord, in faithfulness to Jesus Christ, who never fails us, and who will come again in triumph.

People: **Give us your Holy Spirit.**

Leader: Give us your Holy Spirit, God our Father, so we may have among us the same mind that was in Christ Jesus; and proclaim him to the world. May every knee bow down and every tongue confess him Lord, to the glory of your name.

People: **Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.**

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Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving; **let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!**

For the LORD is a great God, **and a great King above all gods.**

In his hand are the depths of the earth; **the heights of the mountains are his also.**

The sea is his, for he made it, **and the dry land, which his hands have formed.**

O come, let us worship and bow down, **let us kneel before the LORD, our Maker!**

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