

**Welcome to Celebration Presbyterian Church**

Welcome, friends, from far and near. Let us worship God who is surely here. Let us pray, sing, share the Word and give; then let us joyfully go into God's world to live. \*Please indicate your desires for visitation, or information about joining Celebration Church on the Ritual of Friendship Pad. \*Prayer cards are provided for sharing your joys and concerns. Please write your prayer requests on a card and the ushers will collect them.

**PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP**

All-wise God, whose saving power has come to us in Jesus Christ, grant that we may hear and speak the truth to do what is right so our lives may be a blessing to the world and lead others to do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with you. Amen.

*Celebrating Eighteen Years of Faithful Living and Giving!*

**Sunday, February 2, 2020**                          **4<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Epiphany**  
(\*If able, please stand at these points in the service.)

**THE CHURCH GATHERS**

**Prelude**    Sarah Abushakra  
Chiming the Hour and Lighting the Christ Candle

**\*Hymn No. 691**                      *Lord, When I Came Into this Life*

**Greeting**  
The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all. **And also with you.**

Welcome, Ritual of Friendship, Prayer Cards, Announcements and Opening Prayer

**\*Sharing the Peace of Christ**  
The Peace of Christ be with You. **And also with you!**  
(Please exchange signs of Christ's peace with your brothers and sisters in Christ near you.)

**TO WORSHIP THE LORD OUR GOD**

**\*Responsive Call to Worship**                          Liturgist: Rick Thornburgh  
With what shall we come before the Lord?  
**Shall we bring burnt offerings or calves a year old?**  
Will the Lord be pleased with thousands of rams?  
**Or ten thousand rivers of oil?**  
Mortals, God has shown us what is good. What does the Lord require?  
**To do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with our God.**

**\*Hymn No. 726**      *Will You Come and Follow Me / The Summons*

**Call to Confession**    Liturgist: Rick Thornburgh  
If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. But, if we confess our sins, Jesus is faithful to forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. Let us confess our sins collectively and then personally.

**Unison Prayer of Confession**                          Liturgist: Rick Thornburgh  
**Surprising God, You have made foolish the wisdom of the world, teaching that the meek shall inherit the earth and heaven belongs to those who suffer for the sake of justice. But we cling to the values of this world, things that enhance our status but cheat our souls. We seek comfort in simple answers and easy outs. We disregard the marginalized and mock weakness, forgetting that Christ lifted up the lowly and made a home among the vulnerable. God of blessing reorient our hearts, and renew our minds, so that we might act with justice, practice kindness, and—in all things—walk humbly with you.**

*Silence for Personal Confession*

**Assurance of Pardon**    Liturgist: Rick Thornburgh  
  
In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! **Thanks be to God!**

**Affirmation of Faith - *The Apostle's Creed***  
*PCUSA Book of Confessions*

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.

**\*Hymn No. 582**      *Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me*

**Time With Young Disciples**  
*Children's Church follows in Room 5*  
*The children are invited to come to the steps for the Time With Young Disciples*

**TO WORSHIP THROUGH PRAYER AND SHARED STEWARDSHIP**

**Prayers of the People – Sharing Our Joys and Concerns**  
*Please pass your prayer cards to an usher.*

**Prayer of Intercession 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. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil: For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.**

**Giving of God's Tithes and Our Offerings as Faithful Stewards**  
God is neither pleased with burnt offerings nor impressed by the size of our gifts. God wants our full commitment and devotion, of which our giving in these moments is only a symbol. God calls us to lives of mercy and justice and humility, for which our offerings can make a beginning.

**Offertory**    *Beautiful Savior*    by Robert Lee  
Celebration Choir

**\*Doxology Hymn No. 609**      *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*  
**Praise God from whom all blessings flow.**  
**Praise God, all creatures high and low. Alleluia, alleluia!**  
**Praise God, in Jesus fully known: Creator, Word and Spirit one.**  
**Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, al-le-lu--ia!**

**\*Unison Prayer of Thanksgiving and Dedication**  
**We devote ourselves and these tokens of our thankfulness toward the realization of your reign among us, holy God. We pray for the purity of heart as we hunger and thirst for righteousness and work together for justice. We rejoice in this opportunity to share in the extension of your realm. Bless us and our offerings, we pray in Jesus' name. Amen.**

**TO WORSHIP THROUGH WORD, SACRAMENT AND WITNESS**

Scripture    **Micah 6:1-8**    NRSV  
The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon    *What the Lord Requires*    Pastor Tom

**THE SERVICE OF ORDINATION & INSTALLATION OF ELDERS**  
(SEE SPECIAL BULLETIN INSERT)

**CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION**

**\*Hymn No. 769**                      *For Everyone Born*

Invitation to the Lord's Table  
Words of Institution and Prayer of Preparation  
Sharing the Bread and Cup  
\*\*(Please hold bread/cup until all have been served and we will partake of communion together.)

**Unison Prayer after Communion**  
**With thanksgiving we offer our very selves to you to be a living and holy sacrifice dedicated to your service. Lead us, O God, to conform this world to your kingdom of love, justice, and peace. Help us to live as the Lord requires: to do justice, to love kindness, and to walk humbly with you, our God. Keep us faithful in your service until Christ comes in final victory and we shall feast with all the saints in the joy of your eternal realm. Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all glory and honor are yours, almighty God, now and forever. Amen.**

**AND RESPOND IN FAITHFUL SERVICE IN THE WORLD**

Annual Congregational Meeting to Review 2019 and Share 2020 Budget

**\*Charge and Benediction**

**\*Hymn No. 729**                      *Lord, I Want to be a Christian*

**\*Postlude**    Sarah Abushakra  
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CELEBRATION HAPPENINGS		
Sun Feb 2	Adult Bible Study	9:15 am
	Choir Rehearsal	10:00 am
	Coffee and Fellowship	10:15 am
	Worship, Nursery, Children's Church	11:00 am
	Ordination and Installation of Elders	
Holy Communion		
<b>Annual Congregational Meeting at the close of worship</b>		
<b>Souper Bowl of Caring Offering Received by Youth</b>		
Tues Feb 4	QUILTERS meet at the church	10:00 am
	Daisy Scouts	5:00 pm
Wed Feb 5	Choir Rehearsal	7:00 pm
Thu Feb 6	LadyBug Luncheon at Crepe Creations	12:00pm
Sat Feb 8	<b>Session Planning Meeting</b>	<b>9:00am-1:00pm</b>
Sun Feb 9	Adult Bible Study	9:15 am
	Choir Rehearsal	10:00 am
	Coffee and Fellowship	10:15 am
	Worship, Nursery, Children's Church	11:00 am

#### Serving February 2

**Visitor Table:** Nanette Kelly      **Nursery:** Donna Woodard  
**Children's Church:** Trudy Miller  
**Candle lighter:** Jeffrey Waltemeyer  
**Media Shout:** Katrena White    **Sound Board:** Anthony Tiani  
**Liturgist:** Rick Thornburgh    **Preacher:** Tom Dendy  
**Elder of the Week:** Myra Burrows—843-516-1701  
**Ushers:** Wayne Harms, Cindy Smith, Sharon Mook, Steve Meek  
**Chimes:** Cindy Smith and Janet Rouseff  
**Communion Elders:** Cecilia Evans, Bernie Pettijohn,  
Kathy Wechter, Bob Miller, Rick Thornburg

#### Serving February 9

**Visitor Table:** Carol Lagassee      **Nursery:** Nanette Kelly  
**Children's Church:** Trudy Miller  
**Candle lighter:** Jeffrey Waltemeyer  
**Media Shout:** Katrena White    **Sound Board:** Bernadine Lamar  
**Liturgist:** Anne Brallier      **Preacher:** Tom Dendy  
**Elder of the Week:** Kathy Wechter—843-903-7052  
**Ushers:** Wayne Harms, Cindy Smith, Sharon Mook  
**Chimes:** Kathy O'Halloran and Sharon Mook

#### Our Purpose

*To Celebrate God's Glory by Reaching, Teaching,  
and Sending People to Love and Serve the Lord.*

#### JOIN US AT CELEBRATION

*We are Christ followers who are open,  
accepting, loving and welcoming to all!*

#### Upcoming Opportunities

Feb 11—Habitat Dinner for Homeowners, Beach Church, 4:30-6pm  
Feb 13—Team D cooks at The Shepherd's Table, 1pm  
Feb 17—Stated Session Meeting, 7pm (Monday)  
Feb 18—Daisy Scouts meet here  
Feb 18—GOD GAB meets at Bob Evans, 6pm  
Feb 21—Breakfast Buddies at Hot Stacks, 9am  
Feb 26—ASH WEDNESDAY – DRIVE THRU ASHES 4:30-6:0pm

#### SERVICE/SERMON NOTES AND REMINDERS:

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**February 2, 2020**  
**11:00 a.m. Worship**

***Celebrating Eighteen Years of  
Faithful Mission and Ministry!***

#### Ruling Elders in the Presbyterian Church (USA)

"As there were in Old Testament times elders for the government of the people, so the New Testament church provided persons with particular gifts to share in the discernment of God's Spirit and governance of God's people.

Accordingly, congregations should elect persons of wisdom and maturity of faith, having demonstrated skills in leadership and being compassionate in spirit.

Ruling elders are so named not because they "lord it over" the congregation (Matt. 20:25), but because they are chosen by the congregation to discern and measure its fidelity to the Word of God, and to strengthen and nurture its faith and life.

Ruling elders, together with teaching elders, exercise leadership, government, spiritual discernment, and discipline and have responsibilities for the life of a congregation as well as the whole church, including ecumenical relationships.

When elected by the congregation, they shall serve faithfully as members of the session. When elected as commissioners to higher councils, ruling elders participate and vote with the same authority as teaching elders, and they are eligible for any office."

The Constitution of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) Part II, Book of Order 2011-2013, Page 27

**OUR MISSION is to Proclaim Jesus as Lord and Savior, Praise and Worship God, Prepare our hearts to share God's Word, and Provide Love and Service to ALL!**