

In response to God's love and grace, through Jesus Christ,
we commit to learning, proclaiming, and living the love of God.



**PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH**
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ORDER OF WORSHIP FOR January 11, 2026
10:00 AM WORSHIP SERVICE

SERVING THE CHURCH

Preaching..... Rev. Dr. Robert Cook
Musicians..... Dr. J. Frederick Davison, Brenda Slick
Liturgist..... Jeff Shank
Acolyte.....
Communion Servers..... Sue Bell, Brian Keck,
Brian Rice, Jenn Robertson
Sunday School Teacher Erin Herrmann, Diane Mills
Audio Video Tech Ben Herrmann
Closer..... Paul Sauder

* *Please stand as able*

Centering Thought

*Baptism is the catalyst to spiritual maturity,
not the sign of having attained it.* — J.S. Greer

Welcome and Announcements

The Prelude *Brethren, We Have Met to Worship*

William Moore, Arr. Melody Bober

Brenda Slick, *piano*

*The Call to Worship

Leader: In the beginning, before time, before people, before
the world began,

People: God was there.

Leader: Here and now among us, beside us, enlisting the
people of earth for the purposes of heaven,

People: God is here.

Leader: In the future, when we have turned to dust, and all we
know has found its fulfillment,

People: God will be with us always.

Leader: Not denying the world but delighting in it, not
understanding the world, but redeeming it, through Jesus
Christ, by the power of the Holy Spirit,

All: God was, God is, God will be. Always!

*Hymn #156 *Sing of God Made Manifest* (verses 1 & 2)

*The Prayer of Confession

**There are days, we confess, when we cannot see
beyond ourselves ... beyond our fear ... beyond our
failures ... beyond our frustrations, days when we
move in a soup of nothingness ... a bottomless**

emptiness ... an inky blackness. We do not recognize the Spirit hovering over us like a bird above the watery abyss. We do not trust that the Light is more than an illusion. Forgive us, we pray. Open our eyes to see what you have called good. Open our eyes to see beyond ourselves ... beyond our fear ... beyond our failures ... beyond our frustrations, to the Light of Love that conceived and gave birth to creation in all its splendor, as self-revelation for the creature even today. (Silent personal prayer)

*The Assurance of Pardon

Leader: Friends! Believe the Good News!

All: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven! Thanks be to God!

*The Gloria Patri #581

The Children's Time with Their Pastor

A Prayer for Illumination (Unison)

O God, open your holy Word to us and thereby kindle in our hearts within a flame of love to neighbor, foe, friend, to kindred all. To the brave, to the knave, to the thrall, O Son of the loveliest Mary, From the lowliest thing that lives, To the Name that is highest of all. Amen.

The First Scripture Reading

Isaiah 42:1-9

The Anthem *Who But the Lord?*

Craig Courtney

O come, Thou bright and morning star and bring us comfort from afar. Dispel the shadows of the night and turn our darkness into light.

Who but the Lord can give the shadows light, can break into the dark, draw morning from the night? Who but the Lord will hear our cry and answer, "Here am I"?

Who but the Lord makes blinded eyes to see, brings music
to the deaf, sets the lonely captive free? Who but the Lord
will by His glory show the paths of peace?

O shine on us the brightness of Your face, to earth's remotest
end, ev'ry people, ev'ry race. O shine on us until
to each is shown Your saving grace.

Who but the Lord can give the shadows light?
None but the Lord.

*The Gospel Reading

Matthew 3:13-17

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord!

All: Thanks be to God

The Message

The Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

The Blessing of Our Offerings

Communion Hymn #501 *Feed Us, Lord*

THE SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also, with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Pastor: Let us give thanks to our God.

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

Pastor: We give you thanks and praise, O God –

For the glory and joy of creation; For the work of reconciliation;
For the promise of love eternal. And for those who walk with us.
So, we offer you the words of a song sung by angels and saints,
joining our voices to the great cloud of witnesses as we say these
words:

All: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,

**Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the
highest. Blessed is the One who comes in the name of
the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

Pastor: Blessed are you, O God;

Blessed is your Son, Jesus, our host at this table.

Blessed is your Spirit, who settles in us and among us,

And within these gifts of bread and cup, transforming them,
making them sacred, and filling not for our bodies but for our
souls.

So, with gratitude and praise we come to your table, ready to be
filled, ready to be sent out, ready to be your people in the world.

On the night Jesus was betrayed, he took the bread and giving
thanks, he broke it. He gave it to his disciples saying:

*“This is my body, broken for you. As often as you eat
this bread remember me.”*

Then he took the cup and giving it to them he said:

*“This is the cup of the new covenant. As often as you drink
it remember me until I come again.”*

Lord Jesus, pour out your Spirit on us gathered here and on
these gifts of bread and wine. Make them be for us the body and
blood of Christ that we may be for the world the body of Christ

redeemed by his blood. By your Spirit make us one with Christ, one with each other and one in ministry to all the world until Christ comes in final victory and we feast at his heavenly banquet. Amen.'

The Lord's Prayer (Unison)

The Breaking of the Bread and Giving of the Cup

The Prayer After Communion (Unison)

Lord Jesus, you are present within me now in the power of your Spirit. I gladly make room and space for you within all of my being. Lord Jesus, give me your hands to work with; Give me your mind to think with; Give me your light to see with; Give me your heart to love with. Give me your joy to light up the world I work and live in. Lord Jesus may your shining presence within me, That I may come to know you and to love you and to walk more closely with you each day. Amen.

*Hymn #543 *God, Be the Love to Search and Keep Me*

*The Benediction

The Postlude *'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus*

William Kirkpatrick, Arr. Victor Labenske
Brenda Slick, piano



*Please join us in
the Social Room
after Worship.*

*Hosted by
Sue Thompson*

All Are Welcome!

PRAYER CONCERNS

June Marshall	Terri Brust
Patti Sechrist	Helen Taulbee
Alan Shope	David Pickart
Tim Walck	Greg Harmon
Mindy Grosh	Bonnie Speaks
Michael Paylor	Cindy Widder
Kathy Kendall	Donna & Sarah Stillwagon
Dan Patton	Carla Vickers
Bethany Yeager	Kevin Taulbee
Penny Mohler	Brandon Fisher
Cathy Thomas	Jan Eppleman
Sue Lum	Cora Crider
Frank & Tracey Toston	Kim Tartaglia
Sally Snyder	Bill Heacox
Chelsea White	Missy Benson
Lynne Leap	Joyce Baker
Gail Guyton	Dave Wilson
Marvin & Nancy Rice	Amanda Lain
David Myers	Doug & Gladys Grane & family
Kenny Reed	Pat Grimes
Todd Smith	For the hungry
John Stanton	For the imprisoned
Leslie Moose	For the peacemakers
Donna Bingaman	For those who are alone
Jason Kinzer	For those who are grieving
Emmie White	For those who cannot forgive

Have no anxiety at all, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, make your requests known to God. - Philippians 4:5

This prayer list reflects our love and support for our church family. Please submit or review names on the list to balance healing requests with general community/member prayers. Thank you.

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sunday, January 11 BAPTISM OF THE LORD

10:00 am **Worship with Communion**

followed by Coffee Fellowship

Prayers for Christ Presbyterian Church, Camp Hill

Tuesday, January 13

6:30 pm Mission Committee Meeting

Wednesday, January 14

9:00 am Greencastle-Antrim Food Pantry

9:00 am Prayer Group

6:00 pm Bell Choir Rehearsal

7:00 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal

7:00 pm Ladies AA Meeting

Thursday, January 15

6:30 pm Board of Deacon Meeting

6:30 pm Session Meeting

GPC Nominating Committee members will begin to meet to pray and discern who from this congregation will be asked to serve as an Elder, Deacon, or a member of the Nominating Committee.

In the reference handbook for Elders, Deacons, Pastor Nominating Committee, and the Congregational Nominating Committee which was Session Approved, December, 2021 (4th rev) it says...

“One of the convictions we take seriously at GPC is that God cares deeply about what goes on in this congregation. The members of the congregational nominating committee may ask you to consider serving but it is really God who calls people to serve. The Congregational Nominating committee members are merely acting as servants who try to sense God’s call for the church.”

Pray about how you may become involved in the ministry and leadership here at GPC. Discern God’s call in your life.

The 2026 Per Capita assessment includes \$11.26 for the General Assembly; \$2.40 for the Synod of the Trinity; and \$21.00 for the Presbytery of Carlisle bringing the **total per member to \$34.66.**