



Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession *inspired by* Mark 1:9-11, Matthew 3:13-17, Epiphany 1C, Luke 3:21-23

**We are incredibly stubborn, O Lord.  
We have entered the season  
in which Your Light has been given to the world,  
your blessings have been poured out on the world,  
and yet all we can think about is our own problems,  
our own needs, our own desires.  
Help us to desire you, Lord.  
Help us to yearn for your presence.  
Pour your baptismal waters over us again,  
cleansing us from our self-pity and arrogance.  
Nourish and heal us so that we may joyfully serve you.  
Wash away our jealousy, greed,  
and all negative thoughts and behaviors  
that stand in the way of our truly being  
the people you have called us to be.  
Again let us receive the blessings offered in creation,  
in the birth and baptism of Jesus,  
and in the ministry of the saints of light.  
We ask this in Jesus' Name. Amen.**

Assurance of Pardon

\*Gloria Patri: Glory Be to the Father

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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, amen.

\*Sharing the Peace of Christ

Message for All Ages

..... THE WORD PROCLAIMED .....

Prayer for Illumination

First Scripture Reading: Isaiah 43:1-7

Anthem

Courante from Partita no. 1 ...

JS Bach

Second Scripture Reading: Luke 3:15-17; 21-22

Sermon: *Named and Claimed!*

Rev. Diane Jamison Fitch

..... RESPONDING TO THE WORD .....

\*Hymn #482

Baptized in Water

\*Affirmation of Faith *based on* Matthew 16:16; Mark 16:9; John 20:28; 1 Corinthians 15:1-6; Revelation 22:13

**This is the good news that we have received, in which we stand, and by which we are saved, if we hold it fast: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day, and that he appeared first to the women, then to Peter, and to the Twelve, and then to many faithful witnesses. We believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the living God. Jesus Christ is the first and the last, the beginning and the end; he is our Lord and our God.**

Renewing Our Baptism

Prayers of the People & 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.**

Preparing to Make Our Offering to God

Our online giving portal: <https://tinyurl.com/FPCSdonate>

\*Doxology (Old Hundredth)

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise God, all creatures here below;  
Praise God above, ye heavenly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

\*Prayer of Dedication of Our Gifts

..... GOING FORTH TO SERVE .....

\*Hymn #722

Lord, Speak to Me that I May Speak

\*Benediction

Postlude

Gigue from Partita no. 1 ...

JS Bach



Liturgist: Ryan Wilson



Welcome to the First Presbyterian Church in Springfield! We are a welcoming congregation that seeks to cultivate and nurture disciples of Jesus Christ in a community of learning, healing and sharing. It is our prayer that this will be a meaningful time of challenge and encouragement.



*Wherever you may be on your faith journey, there is a place for you to participate here.*

## ◆ ◆ ANNOUNCEMENTS ◆ ◆

### ***Martin Luther King, Jr Community Day of Service***

Our 8th Annual Martin Luther King, Jr. Community Day of Service is being held virtually on Monday, January 17th. Our planning team has put together a variety of projects that can be done at home to support those in need. The community response has been terrific! Church members are also encouraged to participate - details and sign-up links can be found on the church website [FlourtownPres.org](http://FlourtownPres.org). If you have questions, please reach out to Rev. Fitch or Beth Bauer.

### ***FPCS Book Discussion Group - 1/25***

The next book discussion will be on [The Book of Joy](#) on Tuesday, 1/25 via zoom at 7:30 pm. A great book for the holiday season. Archbishop Desmond Tutu and the 14th Dalai Lama share insights on finding "lasting happiness in a changing world."