



First Presbyterian Church

meets at

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Sermon Given By: Pastor Daniel McKenty

USHERS: Vickie Pierson-Perry, Willee Short, Sarah Huckleberry, Paul Biddle

LITURGIST: Kaitlin Douglas

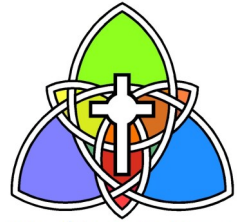
CLOSER: Paul Biddle

COUNTERS: Kevin Thomson, Steve Breffit

GREETERS: Anne Roybal, Sandy Boyce



DECEMBER 6, 2024



Worship Grow Serve

You Tube Channel

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCMgrr0yHvgO-iUPphSOFgxxA>

Website

www.firstpresnewark.org

Church Calendar

[click here](#)



Online giving through PayPal

<https://firstpresnewark.org/giving-at-fpc-n/>



Next Week's Worship

December 15, 2024

USHERS: Wade Catts, Bob Wunder, Laura Sievert, Kaitlin Douglas

LITURGIST: Nancy Lewis

CLOSER: Wade Catts

COUNTERS: Harvey Conner, Mimi Lovelace

GREETERS: Mimi Lovelace, Rosemarie Beron

Office Hours

Monday

Closed

Tuesday-Friday

9:00 am—1:00 pm

THE CHANCEL FLOWERS ARE DEDICATED TO
The Glory of God



Flowers can be dedicated in honor or memory of family, friends and loved ones.
You may keep or donate. A sign-up form is located in the Narthex.
Checks *clearly identified for chancel flowers* may be placed in the offering plate
or brought to the church office.

Chancel Flowers—Cost \$31.00



Piano Lessons

Our music director, Christian Hendricks, is offering piano lessons to folks aged 7+ and of any musical knowledge and ability.

They are \$20 for a half hour and \$35 for a full hour, and will be taught in the sanctuary.

Please contact him at musicdirector@firstpresnewark.org for more details and to set up a time for lessons.

IT'S ALMOST GONE!



PW is almost out of quarts of soup!



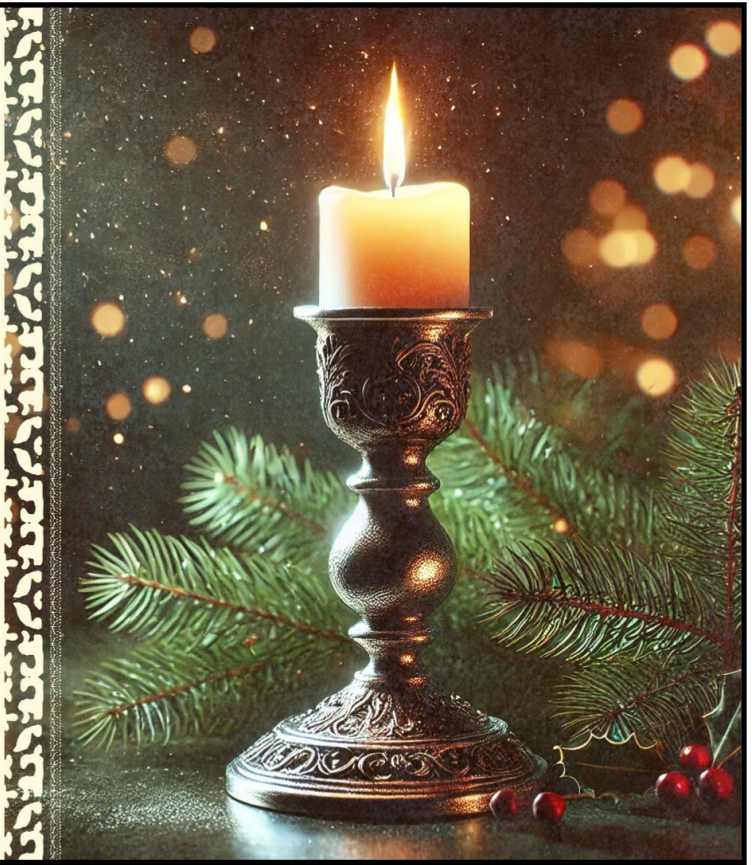
This is your opportunity to purchase a delicious and easy dinner for a cold evening for only \$10.

Remaining Frozen Soups: **4 quarts of Pumpkin Black Bean**

3 quarts of Salmon Chowder

Soups are on the bottom left base of the freezer in the MH Kitchen and the \$10 can be given to Carol Olson or Pam Wunder. Please do NOT put this payment in the offering plate during worship.

Our church is hosting
UD Chorale, Concert Choir, and Schola Cantorum
Carols by Candlelight
Sunday, Dec 8th at 3pm and again at 5:30pm.
Tickets can be purchased at the door for \$15.
The cost for seniors is \$10.



Poinsettia

Orders Due December 9th
Extra Forms available in the Narthex

DECEMBER
Anniversaries

DECEMBER
Birthdays

Paul & Phyllis Biddle December 17

Urie & Nancy Boulden December 29

Lois Huggins
Matthew Bowen
Nancy McIlvaine
Paula Berkebile
Marian Bowen
Gloria Zehnacker
Tom Shaw
Nathan Thomson
Crystal Norman
Marie Cowgill
James Guyton
Gail Ferry

December 07
December 09
December 09
December 15
December 15
December 16
December 19
December 20
December 21
December 23
December 28
December 31





WORSHIP WITH US THIS

*Blue Christmas
December 7th at 3:00 pm*

*Christmas Eve
December 24th at 8:00 pm*

*Lessons and Carols
December 29th at 10:00 am*

Blue Christmas will be held in the MH Parlor

*Christmas Eve and Lessons and Carols
• will be held in the Sanctuary*



Charitable Giving THROUGH YOUR IRA

The IRA charitable transfer is a great way to make a gift to a mission or ministry that you care about. Consider making the most of your IRA as you plan your required annual minimum distribution. Qualified Charitable Distributions (QCDs) are gifts to charities made directly from an individual retirement account. This is an easy, tax-advantaged way for Presbyterians to support their favorite mission or ministry.

Requirements

- Donor must be 70 1/2 or older at the time the distribution is made
- The distribution must be otherwise taxable distribution from an IRA (other than an ongoing SEP or SIMPLE IRA)
- Distributions must be made **directly to an organization** eligible to receive tax deductible contributions (certain exclusions apply)
- \$105,000 annual limit
- Qualified Charitable Distributions (QCDs) are reported on your Form 1040 tax return in the section for IRA distribution

Benefits

- Can satisfy Required Minimum Distribution (RMD) in year QCD is made
- QCD amount is not included in the donor's adjusted gross income, helping to potentially avoid increased taxes or higher Medicare premiums
- Provides donors that use the standard deduction a tax efficient way to make a charitable gift
- May help to avoid capital gains taxes on appreciated assets.

EXAMPLE

Sandra, 71, wants to make a contribution to her local church. She has \$500,000 in her IRA and she wants the contribution to be \$20,000. She can authorize the administrator of her IRA to transfer \$20,000 to her church. Since the QCD is excluded from income, Sandra will not be eligible for a charitable income tax deduction, but she will still receive tax savings. The \$20,000 distributed to her church will be counted toward her annual minimum required distribution and she will not pay income tax on the portion given to charity.



December 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 Sacrament of Communion 10:00am - 11:00am Worship - Sanctuary 11:30am - 12:30pm Adult Spiritual Development 1:00pm - 3:00pm Girl Scout Troop 157 Meeting- MHW	2 10:30am - 11:30am Grief Group - Parlor 6:00pm - 7:00pm Girl Scout Troop 15- Youth Room LS	3 10:00am - 11:30am PW CT - MH Parlor 6:00pm - 7:00pm PW Christmas Program -Set up 6:30pm - 7:30pm Cub Pack 56-MHW 6:30pm - 8:00pm Girl Scout Troop 157 Leader Meeting- MHW 7:00pm - 8:00pm PW Christmas Program -Sanctuary	4 9:00am - 10:00am Prayer Group-Zoom 10:00am - 11:00am Admin Meeting- Library 12:00pm - 1:00pm Band of Brothers- Library 7:00pm - 8:00pm Bell Choir Practice - LS 7:00pm - 8:30pm BSA Troop 56 Meeting	5 9:00am - 12:00pm Library Reserved 7:00pm - 8:00pm Choir Practice-Choir room	6 9:00am - 11:00am Finance/Bill Pay - Zoom	7 UD Rehearsal - Sanctuary 8:00am - 9:00am 1st Saturday Breakfast- MHW 3:00pm Blue Christmas Service - Parlor
8 UD Carols by Candlelight 3pm and 5:30 -Sanctuary 10:00am - 11:00am Worship - Sanctuary 11:30am - 12:30pm Adult Spiritual Development	9 12:00pm - 1:00pm Hope Dining Room 4:00pm - 6:00pm Food for Success 6:00pm - 7:00pm Girl Scout Troop 15- Youth Room LS	10 8:00am - 4:00pm NAWC Holiday Food Program-MHW 6:30pm - 7:30pm Cub Pack 56-MHW 7:00pm - 9:00pm Deacons - Library - Zoom 7:00pm - 9:30pm Finance Mtg.-Zoom	11 8:00am - 4:00pm NAWC Holiday Food Program-MHW 9:00am - 10:00am Prayer Group-Zoom 12:00pm - 1:00pm Band of Brothers- Library 7:00pm - 8:00pm Bell Choir Practice - LS	12 8:00am - 4:00pm NAWC Holiday Food Program-MHW 9:00am - 12:00pm Library Reserved 7:00pm - 8:00pm Choir Practice-Choir room	13 8:00am - 4:00pm NAWC Holiday Food Program-MHW 9:00am - 11:00am Finance/Bill Pay - Zoom 4:00pm - 6:00pm Food for Success	14 8:00am - 4:00pm NAWC Holiday Food Program-MHW
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OFFICE HOURS: Monday-Closed

Tuesday—Friday 9:00 am- 1:00 pm

If you are thinking of joining
our church, we would love to
have you!

Please contact Pastor Dan at
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