

Offering This Morning

We will not be collecting our offering during the worship service this morning. There is an offering plate on the table in Parry Hall if you wish to leave an offering this morning. Thank You!

John Knox Presbytery "Region 5" Prayers

Each week we will be remembering in our prayers clergy and churches in our area of John Knox Presbytery. During this next week we lift in prayer the *Rev. Janet Ruark* and the First Presbyterian Church in Westfield where she serves as their pastor.

Annual Meeting Reports

PPC's Annual Meeting will be held on **Sunday, January 29**. All reports for the meeting should be turned into the church office no later than **Tuesday, January 10**. If you have questions please contact Kathy in the church office on Wednesday or Friday from 8:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Thank You!

Card Party

On Friday, January 27 a Euchre card party will be held in the church dining room. A free will offering of \$5.00 includes cards and a meal. A donation to the food pantry would be appreciated. The meal will be served at 6:00 p.m. and cards start at 6:30 p.m. All proceeds from this Euchre party will go towards our Yakutat pledge. Come and enjoy an evening of fun and fellowship.

Meals on Wheels

PPC will be delivering Meals on Wheels Monday, January 30 – Friday, February 3. If you would like to help deliver meals please contact Liz Bellmore 742-8083.

WHAT'S HAPPENING @ PPC

Monday, January 9

6:00 p.m. Bell Choir, Parry Hall

Tuesday, January 10

10:00 a.m. Region 5 Prayer Group,
WC

Wednesday, January 11

5:00 p.m. Light Supper
5:30 p.m. Lord's Lambs/Peace
6:05 p.m. Worship
6:30 p.m. Chancel Choir
6:45 p.m. Confirmation
7:30 p.m. Worship "Jam"

Thursday, January 12

5:45 p.m. Session Meeting, WC

Sunday, January 15

9:30 a.m. Sunday Class
10:05 a.m. Informal Worship
Deacon's Meeting after Worship

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HE WILL BRING FORTH
JUSTICE
TO THE NATIONS.

ISAIAH 42:1



Welcome to
THE PORTAGE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Sunday, January 8, 2017 – 10:05 a.m. **Baptism Of The Lord**
The Ordination and Installation of Elders and Deacons
The Celebration of the Lord's Supper

* Stand, if you are comfortable standing.

The Gathering

Gathering Of The People

Chimes

Welcome And Announcements

Please pass the Welcome to Worship pads in your pew. Thank You!

Sharing Joys And Concerns

A Time For Silent Prayer

Call To Worship

The grace of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ be with you all

And also with you.

Darkness is banished!

God's light has come to us!

The brightness of the Star leads us!

We come to celebrate God's abiding love!

Glory be to God in the Highest!

And on earth, peace forever.

Let us worship God!

*Hymn # 60 *"Morning Has Broken"* (Red Hymnbook)

*Prayer Of Confession

Pastor: Holy God of glory and majesty, You have called us by name – those who are named as Your children, Your people, Your Church. We pray in this moment for the

Prayer Of Thanksgiving

Singing Together

"Let us Praise God Together..."

*Hymn # 381 *"Open My Eyes, That I May See"* (Red Hymnbook)

The Sending

*Benediction

* Congregational Response *Refrain of "Angels We Have Heard On High"*

Gloria, In Excelsis Deo

Gloria, In Excelsis Deo

Postlude

Serving You Today

Pastor	David J. Hankins
Worship/Chancel Choir Accompanist	Cordelia Connor
Chancel Choir Director	Judy Taylor

* This morning we celebrate the Ordination and Installation of our new church officers. Our new Ruling Elders to be installed are Fred Taylor, Allison Foster and Mark Bennett. Our new Deacon to be installed is Donna Wolff. Our Deacons to be ordained are Jen Martens and Amy Weishaar. Please greet them and remember them in your prayers as they begin their new ministry.

* Today we also extend our gratitude and prayers to those Church Officers who have completed their terms of service: Deacons Cordelia Connor and Jill Porzel. "Well done, good and faithful servants."

* Elder Marcia Van Natta is participating in the Ordination and Installation Service this morning.

And so we boldly sing with all people of all times and places...

Singing Together ... Tune: HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

**Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty
All Thy works shall praise Thy name in earth and sky and sea
Only Thou art holy, there is none beside Thee
Perfect in power, in love and purity.**

**Holy, Holy, Holy! All the saints adore Thee
Though the eye of sinful ones Thy glory may not see,
Cherubim and seraphim falling down before Thee,
God in three persons, blessed Trinity.**

Leader: By the presence of Your Holy Spirit, may these gifts we offer be transformed from ordinary to holy things, so that as we eat and drink of them at this table, we may be fed and nourished with the body and blood of Christ, and so be united with him until we shall feast face to face at the glorious banquet table of heaven. We pray now, that you would hear us, as together we pray as Jesus himself has taught us...

The Lord's Prayer (*Unison*)

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.

The Words Of Institution

The Sharing Of The Bread And The Cup

This church community celebrates the Lord's Supper as an "open table." Anyone who is baptized and confesses Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior is welcomed and encouraged to participate in this Communion service. Please remain seated. The elements of the bread and the cup will be passed to you by a Ruling Elder. As the "bread" is passed, please hold that we may partake together. As the "cup" is passed, please partake when you are ready to do so.

ears to hear Your call and the courage to dare to follow as You would lead us and send us. As we hear again the familiar story of Jesus' birth, open our hearts also, that we may experience again the renewing power of life and new life in the Holy Spirit. Inspire us in this time of worship that we may be willing to affirm and accept our own identity as Your beloved, those through whom You share this "good news of great joy for all people" even today, even here in the community and the world in which we live.

An Opportunity for Silent and Personal Prayer

All: We pray now in the name of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.

*Assurance Of Pardon

Hear the good news! Who is in a position to condemn? Only Christ,
**and Christ died for us, Christ rose for us, Christ reigns in power for us,
Christ prays for us.**

Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation.

The old life has been taken away; and behold, a new life has begun.

May we know that we are forgiven and be at peace.

All: Amen.

*Acclamation Of Praise # 623 "*Gloria Patri*"

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.

The Word

Scripture Lessons *Psalms 72:1-7, 10-14* Page 504

Matthew 2:1-12 Page 835

A Time With The Young People

This Morning's Message

A Time For Silent Reflection

The Thanksgiving

Chancel Choir Selection

"Emmanuel"

McGee

The Service For Ordination And Installation

The Call To Ordination and Installation

There are different gifts

But it is the same Spirit who gives them.

There are different ways of serving God

But it is the same Lord who is served

God works through different people in different ways,

But it is the same God who achieves His purpose through them all.

Each one is given a gift by the Spirit

To use it for the common good

Together, we are the body of Christ

And individually members of Him.

Pastor: Though we have different gifts, together we are a ministry of reconciliation led by the risen Christ. We work and pray to make His Church useful in the world, and we call men and women, young and old to faith, so that in the end every knee shall bow and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord to the glory of God the Father.

Within our common ministry, some members are chosen for particular ministries as deacons, elders and ministers of the word and sacrament. In ordination, we recognize these special ministries, remembering that our Lord Jesus said ... "whoever among you wants to be great must be the servant of all."

Just as the Son of Man came not to be served, but to serve, and to give His life to set others free.

The Presentation of the Candidates

The Questions for Ordination and Installation

The Questions for the Congregation

Do we the members of the church, accept these men and women as Elders and Deacons, chosen by God through the voice of this congregation, to lead us in the way of Jesus Christ?

Do we agree to encourage them, to respect their decisions, and to follow as they guide us, serving Jesus Christ, who alone is head of the church?

The Laying on of Hands

Those to be ordained will kneel. Anyone who has been previously ordained as a Ruling Elder or Deacon is invited to come forward to participate in the "laying on of hands."

The Presentation and the Greeting

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Singing Together *"Let us break bread together..."*

"Let us drink the cup together..."

The Invitation To The Table

The Prayer Of Thanksgiving

Leader: The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Leader: Lift up your hearts

We lift them to the Lord.

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

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Leader: Loving God, from the beginning of time Your people have longed to see You, to touch You, to know You in their midst...