

Prelude
Andante tranquillo
Andante religioso
Prelude No. 2 in G Major
Felix Mendelssohn-Bartholdy

Greeting
The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

* Call to Worship
Leader: Hear the voices, small voices, loud voices, voices of the oppressed, voices of the powerful
People: We call out in the midst of our lives, speaking what we see, sometimes to welcome ears, sometimes not, but a voice itself calls
Leader: Listen to the voices that call us out of our chains, out of our prisons.
People: Listen to the voices that call us to redemption, to live in the Spirit of the Most High. Listen for the voices that call us into learning, knowing, and living. Let us worship together!

* Hymn 307 God of Grace and God of Glory
CWM RHONDDA

* Call to Confession

* Prayer of Confession
People: Faithful God, we confess that we are too often people of fear rather than people of faith. We confess that we act more often to protect our comfort rather than to risk for new visions of hope; that we more often cling to the past rather than plan joyfully for an unrevealed future; that we even try to use you to justify our inertia. Grant us a giddy and daring spirit, Faithful God, so that we may become people of confidence and adventure, delighting in the work of building a new realm of holiness with you. Amen.
(Silent Confession)
In your name we pray. Amen.

* Declaration of Forgiveness
...Friends, believe the good news of the gospel!
In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

* Passing of the Peace
The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.
And also with you.
(please extend the Peace of Christ to those around you saying...)
Peace be with you. And also with you.

* Response 150 As with Gladness Men of Old DIX

As with gladness men of old did the guiding star be-hold; as with joy they hailed its light,
lead-ing on-ward, beam-ing bright; so, most gra-cious Lord, may we ev-er-more be led to thee.

Blessing of the Children
Following the Blessing of the Children, children 5th grade and younger may go to Room 110 for Godly Play.

Prayer for Illumination

First Lesson Isaiah 43:1-7 Page 585 in Pew Bible
The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Anthem Grant Us Thy Peace Mendelssohn
Grant us Thy peace, Almighty Lord, thou Source of ev'ry blessing!
Feeble and frail, trust we thy word, all things in Thee possessing.
In thee is our hope and safety.

Second Lesson John 1:6-8, 19-28 Page 862 in Pew Bible
The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Sermon Who Do You Think You Are? Dr. Bill Lindeman

* Hymn 432 How Clear Is Our Vocation, Lord REPTON

Service of Ordination and Installation

<i>P.J. Milligan, Elder</i>	<i>Ellen Hugunin, Deacon</i>
<i>Larry Wagar, Elder</i>	<i>Jordan Clark, Deacon</i>
<i>Kendra Sponsler, Elder</i>	<i>Gene Kelsey, Deacon</i>
<i>Mendy Parker, Elder</i>	<i>Dee Waaland, Deacon</i>
<i>Amy Fisher, Elder</i>	<i>Jody O'Brien, Elder</i>
<i>Brennan Elliott, Youth Elder</i>	

Offering
Offertory Allegretto Mendelssohn

* Response 156 Sing of God Made Manifest SALZBURG

Sing of God made man-i-fest in a child ro-bust and blest, to whose home in Beth-le-hem
where a star had guid-ed them, ma-gi came and gifts un-bound, signs myster-ious and pro-found:
myrrh and frank-in-cense and gold grave and God and king fore-told.

* Prayer of Dedication

Sharing of Joys and Concerns
The Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

Messages of our Life in Community

* Hymn 315 In the Midst of New Dimensions
NEW DIMENSIONS

* Benediction

Postlude
Allegro maestoso e vivace Mendelssohn

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Welcome to FPC Findlay

We hope that you experience the power of God's presence while you are among us this morning. We are a busy congregation, seeking to find God's vision for us as we confront a changing and challenging world. There are many ways we try to be faithful to God. We invite you to join us in these ministries. See our website for more information or contact Pastor Bill Lindeman at blindeman@findlayfpc.org or Assoc. Pastor Jessie Myers at jessie@findlayfpc.org

Children in Worship

Childcare is provided on the first floor in Room 110. A paging system is available. **Children up to 5th grade**, following the Blessing of the Children, will be escorted to Room 110 for Godly Play children's worship. They can be picked up after worship from that space. **Red Worship Bags** for children preschool age through 3rd grade and the **White Worship Bags** for 4th – 8th graders are available on the rack in the Narthex.

Please return the worship bags to the tray under the rack following worship.

Worship Leaders

Interim Pastor: Rev. Dr. Bill Lindeman

Interim Associate Pastor: Rev. Jessica Myers

Director of Music: Brent Neuenschwander

Greeters & Ushers: Pat Reed, Lark McCormick, Brandi Dominique, and Jordan Clark.

Worship Notes

The flowers for worship are given by Jeff and Tracy McMath with love for our faith community.

Friendship Pad: Members and visitors – during the Offering please sign the friendship pad and pass it down the pew for others to sign. The friendship pad is located on the seat of the pew closest to the center aisle.

* Please stand if you are able.

Bold type indicates congregational response.

We ask that you please turn all cell phones to “silent” during the worship service.

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10:45 A.M. Today

ANNUAL MEETING.....FELLOWSHIP HALL
Join us this morning for our Annual Congregational Meeting. A presentation will highlight the 2017 activities as recorded in written annual reports from the various ministries of the congregation. Everyone is welcome to join.

Announcements

Officer Training continues tonight for our elected new officers from 4-7 pm. Tonight, Sunday, January 28th, will be the final night of training.

Food and Faith - Let's meet-up in February and discuss the book of Genesis and science. Come with your burning questions and appetite for pizza on February 4th after the 9:30 service in Room 201. Hope to see you there!

Please mark your calendars for a **Childcare Volunteer Appreciation and Training Luncheon** on Tuesday, February 6th from 11:00 am-1:00 pm. We will have lunch, recognize all our outstanding MOPS childcare and Godly Play volunteers with gifts, and finish with a review of the updated childcare policies. We look forward to celebrating you so please plan to attend!

Young Adult Chili Cookoff – Come Saturday, February 10 at 6:00 pm at Brandi Dominique and Jordan Clark's home. Bring your prize worthy chili and adult beverage to accompany, if desired! Please come ready to have a good time. Anyone 25-40ish is welcome to join us! RSVP to Pastor Jessie at jessie@findlayfpc.org.

Looking ahead to Lent:

? Despair *(and)* Hope?

Join us on the journey with Jesus to Jerusalem this Lenten season as we explore the connection between despair and hope in the gospel and for our lives. **Ash Wednesday Service is February 14 at 7 pm.** We also will be holding weekly meals and worship on Wednesdays starting February 21 up to Holy Week. Dinner at 5:30, worship at 6:30. Look for more information to come!

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



Service for the Lord's day

JANUARY 28, 2018

4TH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

9:30 A.M. – SANCTUARY

We are an active open community of Christians seeking to know and glorify God, nurturing all people and sharing Christ's love and teachings.