

The Presbyterian Church
Order of Worship
3rd Sunday after Epiphany, January 25, 2026 - 10:00 a.m.

PRELUDE

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise
O God, Our Help in Ages Past
Alpha Bell Choir

arr. Lloyd Larson

CALL TO WORSHIP

The heavens tell of the glory of God.

May we reflect God's glory in our lives.

The world proclaims the work of God.

May we view one another as the handiwork of God.

We gather with God's people throughout the world.

May we with one heart and one voice worship God together.

*OPENING HYMN 33

Praise the Lord! God's Glories Show

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Maureen Paterson, Associate Pastor

O God of Comfort and God of Challenge,

we come to you this morning mindful that in our lives

we have failed you and one another.

We do not recognize your blessing at work in our day to day lives.

Forgive us when we grumble about the most insignificant details

of our lives and fail to see the bigger picture

of oppression, injustice and inequality around us.

Forgive us when we close our eyes for fear of what you might show us,

and close our ears to your call to follow your ways.

Renew us in our commitment to be your disciples

and bring glory to your name through Christ our Lord, Amen.

DECLARATION OF PARDON

*RESPONSE OF PRAISE

We Are Forgiven

HYMN 447

We are forgiven. We are forgiven.

Thanks be to God. Thanks be to God.

We are forgiven. We are forgiven.

Thanks be to God. Thanks be to God.

THE PEACE

Since God has forgiven us in Christ, let us forgive one another.

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

and also with you.

I invite you to turn and greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace.

WORDS OF WELCOME

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Stacy Currie, Director of Ministries to Children and Their Families

Let the Children Come

by Helen Kemp

Let the little children come to me.

Let them come and gather at my knee.

Let them come, dear friends, for don't you see,

this is how God's kingdom ought to be?

This is how God's kingdom ought to be.

(Children ages preschool–grade 4 are invited to attend Sunday School. Grades 5-8 students are invited to attend Bibles & Bagels. Nursery care is available for children ages 2 years and younger.)

*HYMN 849

Everyone Who Longs for the Boundless Love of God

SCRIPTURE LESSON

John 3:1-21

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

God Loved. God Gave.

Dennis Jones, Pastor

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERING

OFFERTORY

Servants of God, Arise

by Benjamin Harlan

Sanctuary Choir

*DOXOLOGY

Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

HYMN 606

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

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.**

*CLOSING HYMN 321

The Church's One Foundation

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Festive Proclamation
Organ

by Jason W. Krug

**Those who are able are invited to stand.*

Please join us for refreshments and fellowship immediately following worship
in Westminster Hall.

Blessed Are the Dead Who Die in the Lord

Elizabeth Mills

United with this Congregation
Entered the Church Triumphant

December 1, 2014
January 16, 2026

Flowers

The Flowers are given to the glory of God.

Flowers may be given in memory or in honor of someone or to celebrate an occasion and cost \$42 per pier. There are openings in February. If you would like to donate an arrangement, please contact our flower coordinator Ellen Johnson at (908) 285-1638 or email her at flowers@brpc.org.



Calendar of Events

Sunday, January 25

Early Bible Study, 8:30 a.m., Church House Parlor & online
Worship Service in the Sanctuary and Streamed Live, 10:00 a.m.
Scout Troop #351 CPR/First Aid Training, 10:00 a.m., Youth Center
Sunday School, 10:15 a.m., Calvin Hall
Bibles & Bagels, 10:15 a.m., Church House
Fellowship & Refreshments, 11:00 a.m., Westminster Hall
Confirmation Class, 11:15 a.m., Church House Parlor
God's Co-op Pantry Distribution, 4:00 p.m., 12 E. Allen Street
Youth Ministry Bowling Trip, 4:30 p.m., Lucky Strike, 380 Rt. 22, Greenbrook, NJ

Monday, January 26

Spiritual Development, 6:30 p.m., online
Deacons, 7:00 p.m., Church House Parlor & online
Worship & Music Council, 7:00 p.m., Church House Library
Tree House Board Meeting, 7:30 p.m., online
Meditation Group, 7:30 p.m., online

Tuesday, January 27

Meditation Group, 8:30 a.m., online
Oak Tree Quilters, 9:00 a.m., Geneva & Middle Rooms
Agape Hour, 3:45 p.m., Church House Agape Room
Children & Youth Choir for grades 3-8, 5:00 p.m., Knox Room
Alpha Bell Choir, 6:15 p.m., Knox Room
Scout Troop #351, 7:00 p.m., Youth Center
Knox Bell Choir, 7:30 p.m., Knox Room

Wednesday, January 28

Women's Bible Study, 9:30 a.m., Church House Parlor & online
Security Task Force Meeting, 7:30 p.m., Church House Library

Thursday, January 29

Meditation Group, 8:30 a.m., & 4:30 p.m., online
Seeking Strength in Troubled Times, 9:15 a.m. & 7:30 p.m., online
Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal, 7:00 p.m., Knox Room & Sanctuary
Oratorio Choir Rehearsal, 8:00 p.m., Knox Room & Sanctuary

Friday, January 30

Saturday, January 31

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