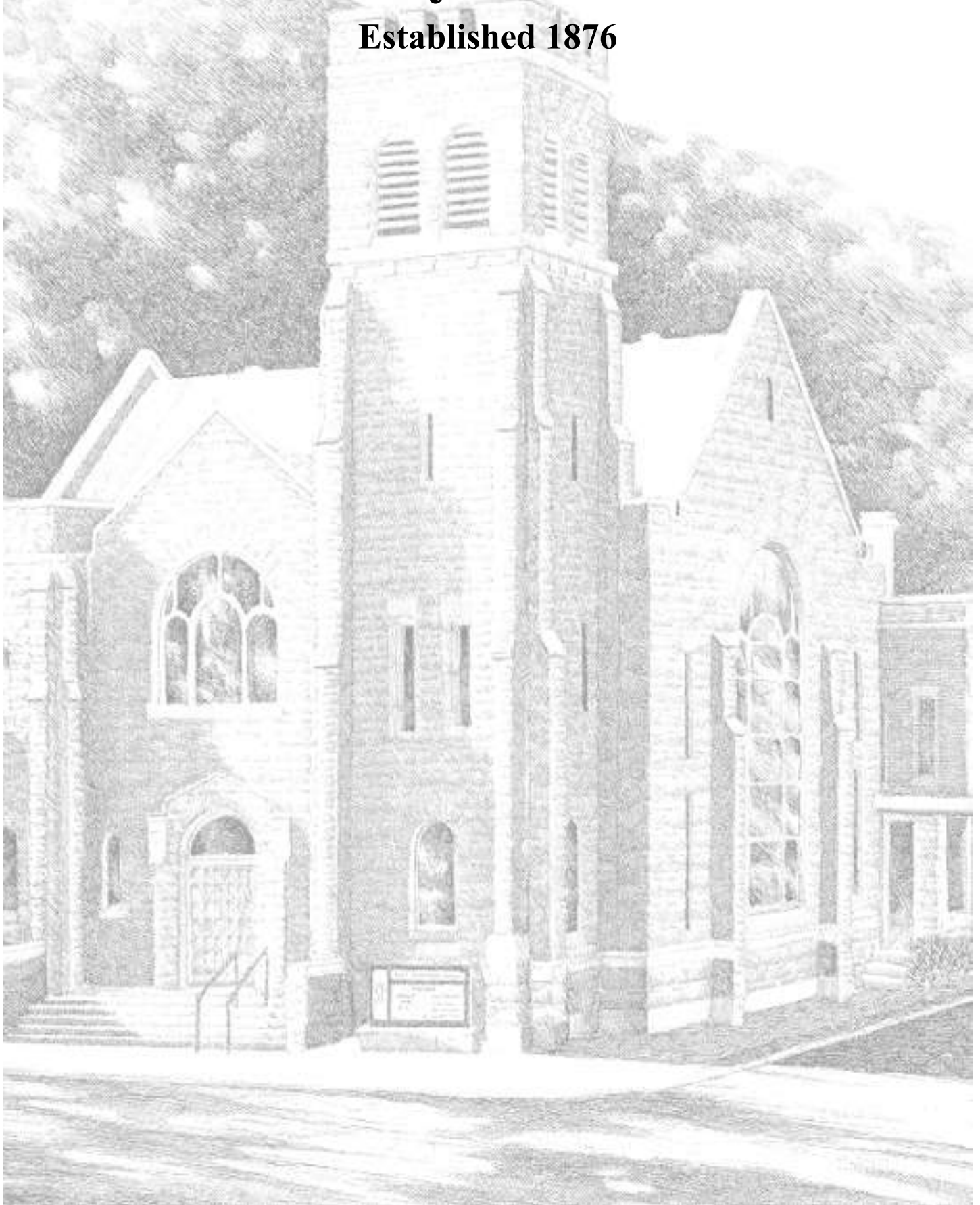


First Presbyterian Church

Established 1876



First Presbyterian Church
2nd Sunday after Epiphany
January 18, 2026

Prelude *"Prelude"* George Oldroyd

Welcome, Greetings and Announcements

Introit..... *"Day by Day"* Tom Fettke

Call to Worship Bob Pierce

God of the feast and abundance,

You work miracles among us.

Though the work feels impossible,

You accomplish wonders through us.

Help us receive your good gifts today,

So we might learn to put our faith in you.

Opening Prayer Bob Pierce

Lord, open our hearts to the surprising ways in which you offer to us your love and your presence. Help us to truly believe in the wondrous ways that you work in our lives. Give us hearts and spirits for service to you. In Jesus' Name, we pray. **Amen.**

* Hymn of Praise No. 466 *"O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing"* AZMON

* Call to Confession

* Prayer of Confession (Unison)

God of abundant grace, we confess that too often we live as though the jars are empty—trusting scarcity more than your generosity. We cling to what is safe and familiar, resisting the new thing you are doing among us. Forgive us, O God. Transform us by your grace, turning our emptiness into joy, that we may reflect your glory in the world.

(A moment of silent personal confession)

* Assurance of Forgiveness

* Glory to the Father (Gloria Patri) (Unison) Hymn No. 579

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.

Prayer for Illumination..... Bob Pierce

First Scripture Reading Psalm 104:1-2a, 10-15 OT Page 554

Time with Young Disciples

Anthem..... *"In Faith I Calmly Rest"*J. S. Bach


Second Scripture Reading.....John 2:1-11NT Page 93

Sermon..... What Man Is This?Rev. Leslie Roper


* Hymn..... *"Sing of God Made Manifest"*SALZBURG




1 Sing of God made man - i-fest in a child ro - bust and blest,
2 Sing of God made man - i-fest when at Jor - dan John con-fessed,
3 Sing of God made man - i-fest when Christ came as wed - ding guest
4 Sing of God made man - i-fest on the cloud-capped moun-tain's crest,



to whose home in Beth - le - hem where a star had guid-ed them,
"I should be bap-tized by you, but your bid-ding I will do."
and at Ca - na gave a sign, turn-ing wa - ter in - to wine;
where the law and proph-ets waned so that Christ a - lone re-mained:



ma - gi came and gifts un-bound, signs mys - te - rious and pro-found:
Then from heaven a dou - ble sign—dove-like Spir - it, voice di - vine—
fur - ther still was love re-vealed as he taught, for-gave, and healed,
glimpse of glo - ry, pledge of grace, given as Je - sus set his face



myrrh and frank-in-cense and gold grave and God and king fore - told.
hailed the true A - noint - ed One: "This is my be - lov - ed Son."
bring - ing light and life to all who would lis-ten to God's call.
towards the wait-ing cross and grave, sign of hope that God would save.

- * Affirmation of Faith (Unison)-Apostle's Creed Bob Pierce
I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost; born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.
- Giving of Our Tithes & Offerings Bob Pierce
- Offertory *"Meditation on 'Salzburg'"* David Cherwien
- * Doxology – Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow Hymn 592
**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**
- * Prayer of Dedication Bob Pierce
- Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer (Unison) Traditional, Hymnal Page 16
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 No. 308 *"O Sing a Song of Bethlehem"* KINGSFOLD
- * Charge & Benediction
- Postlude *"Prelude and Fugue in C Minor, BWV 549"* J. S. Bach

*It is the practice of this congregation to sit back down for the postlude.
Please join us in enjoying a few moments of reflection as our service concludes.*

*Congregation Standing (Please remain seated if standing is uncomfortable.)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Today's Sanctuary Flowers are given to the Glory of God.

Today is "Birthday Sunday" where we will honor our members and friends celebrating birthdays in the month of January. Following worship, we invite members, friends and guests to the Fellowship Hall for Birthday Cake. Please join us!

The Church Office will be closed tomorrow, January 19, in observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Day.

Save The Date – May 16-17, 2026: Make plans now to come help celebrate the 150th Anniversary of First Presbyterian Church Hot Springs! There will be building tours, a family celebration, special concert, anniversary worship, catered lunch, and a mural presentation. More details will follow. If you have questions or know someone who needs an invitation, contact fpchotsprings150@gmail.com.

Welcome Visitors! Please take a moment to fill out the visitor information card, located in the pew in front of you. Please drop them in the offering plate or hand them to an usher. We'd love to get to know you better! After Worship, join us for a time of fellowship and beverages in the Fellowship Hall. There, you'll find the Welcome Center, with more information about our church!

Children are always welcome in worship at First Presbyterian Church. Older children are encouraged to participate in worship and are welcome to pick up pre-packed activities on the table in the back of the sanctuary just for them. A nursery is available upstairs for children under 5. Please ask an usher if you need assistance.

There are still some openings on The 2026 Flower Chart! Located on the wall by the 2 large closets in the Fellowship Hall, pick your date, add your name and special dedication. If you do not wish to write it on the board, or if space does not allow, please call, email or visit the office. You may do this at any time well in advance of your day. ***Cost is \$38.50***

Save your Quarters for the Heifer Project! The quarter tube is located just inside the sanctuary doors near the steps leading into the sanctuary. **Save your Dimes!** All dimes put into the offering plates go to the Vera Lloyd Home to purchase Bibles. "Make a joyful noise to the Lord."

Prayer Requests: Anyone who wants prayer from the Prayer Chain should email or call Jamie Williams, jsar43@gmail.com / 276-2852 or Patricia Mills, paulpatmills@yahoo.com / 545-5250 with your request. You may also email the Church Office office@firstpreshotsprings.org. A request can be for yourself, a family member, or a family friend. *You may ask that the request be kept confidential. Only the Prayer Chain members will be notified and they will also be told to keep it confidential.*



JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

<u>January 2</u> Candace Muzny <u>January 3</u> Mary Gayle McGibbony Betty Nieburg <u>January 4</u> Allyn Florini <u>January 5</u> Andy Meyers	<u>January 7</u> Peggy Leonhard Hank Simpson <u>January 10</u> Michelle Hover Stephen Carroll <u>January 12</u> Stacy Gordon	<u>January 17</u> Tracy Rice <u>January 21</u> Mary Ann Butler Mary Little <u>January 23</u> Leslie Allen <u>January 24</u> Margaret Beam
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JANUARY ANNIVERSARIES

<u>January 6</u> Cathe and John Talpas	<u>January 15</u> Sally and Bruce Simpson	<u>January 27</u> Helen and Tim Bumpas
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We are so very lucky to have a congregation that is willing to invest in our graduating seniors each year. Each month on the 3rd Sunday, members celebrating their birthdays that month are encouraged to make a special “Birthday Blessing” to our scholarship fund. We have been so blessed in the past to be able to contribute to the continuing education of our Youth. We hope that you will consider this month to give in honor of your birthday.



Church Office Hours:

Monday – Friday
8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Office Lunch Hour:

12:30 – 1:30 p.m.

Sunday, January 18

9:30 a.m. Choir Rehearsal
9:30 a.m. Sunday School
10:30 a.m. Worship
11:30 a.m. Birthday Cake in the Fellowship Hall
11:30 a.m. Deacon Meeting
5:30 p.m. Spa City Youth

Monday, January 19 – Church Office Closed

9:00 a.m. Bargain Box Marking (They will be working.)

Tuesday, January 20

10:00 a.m. PW Morning Circle

Wednesday, January 21

10:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study
12:00 p.m. Bargain Box Open until 3:00 p.m.
12:00 p.m. Food Pantry Open until 2:00 p.m.
12:00 p.m. Mission Committee
5:30 p.m. Finance & Administration Committee Meeting

Sunday, January 25

9:30 a.m. Choir Rehearsal
9:30 a.m. Sunday School
10:30 a.m. Worship
11:30 a.m. Handbells
3:30 p.m. Session Meeting

*Please remember to recycle your bulletins by placing them in the
blue recycle container in the Fellowship Hall. Thank you.*

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