

January 28th, 2024

Our PCAS Vision: "To be a Light by Living, Loving, Learning,
and Sharing the Gospel of Jesus Christ."

Order of Worship

*(*Please rise in body and/or spirit)*

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude Make Me a Channel of Your Peace

Setting by Jane Holstein

Candle Lighting

***Call to Worship**

Leader: Bless all in every place who call on the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

People: Amen!

Leader: Company of faithful people, let us bear witness today to our God, who guides us in all truth and sends us out to radiate grace and love.

People: We bear witness through our worship and with our lives to our God who has called us, redeemed us, and set us free in the world to disrupt everything with Gospel news.

***Hymn #729**

Lord, I Want to Be a Christian

Call to Confession

Leader: Though we think we know it all, our lives reflect how little we respect others, how often our words and actions damage those around us. Let us come to our God, with our prayers as well as our hearts, so we may be healed with forgiveness.

Prayer of Confession (unison)

We come on this holy day, God our God, to speak of how we live. Your words, they ring sweetly in our ears on Sunday morning, but catch us on a Wednesday afternoon, and we are doing the very thing we so energetically agreed with you on Sunday is hurtful and divisive. We confess, Lord, that our hearts are not fully converted. You teach us, but your ideas remain in our thoughts, when after years, they should be witnessed by our activity.

We therefore pray for your mercy to fully envelop us, and for your mercy to be the element of God's care that changes our inertia. Amen.

Moment for Silent Reflection

Assurance of Pardon

Leader: Let us bear witness to God disrupting our inertia. That is the mercy we have prayed for. So let's not continue as we always have with me speaking expected words at the expected time. Today, I ask you to turn to the person closest to you, and share the words that you so believe in with them, saying "you are forgiven".

Prayer for Illumination

First Scripture Lesson: Psalm 111:1-10

This is the Word of the Lord: **Thanks be to God!**

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Prayers of the Church and 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.

Passing the Peace

***Hymn #753**

Make Me a Channel of Your Peace

Second Scripture Lesson: 1 Corinthians 8:1-13

This is the Word of the Lord: **Thanks be to God!**

Sermon: "They Will Know We Are Christians By...?"

Offering

Offertory Great Is Thy Faithfulness

Setting by Doug Wagner

*Doxology



Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; praise *him, all crea - tures
here be - low; praise *him a - bove, ye heaven - ly host; praise
Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. A - men.

*Prayer of Dedication

***Hymn** #300 They'll Know We Are Christians by our Love

*Benediction

Postlude Sarabande

G.F. Handel

Today's flowers are in celebration of Lee Weber's 97th birthday!

***Please join us for Coffee Hour in the Social Room.
We will regather in Sanctuary at 11:30am for
the Congregational Meeting.***

Worship Leaders

Pastor:	Rev. Katja Gruening
Director of Music Ministries:	Marcello Velame
Liturgist:	Sean Starke
Ushers:	Sue Starke
	Cari Suarez
	Diane Suarez
Zoom Hosts:	John Palframan
	Jim Wright
Social Hour:	Worship

729 Lord, I Want to Be a Christian

1 Lord, I want to be a Chris-tian in my heart, in my heart;
 2 Lord, I want to be more lov - ing in my heart, in my heart;
 3 Lord, I want to be more ho - ly in my heart, in my heart;
 4 Lord, I want to be like Je - sus in my heart, in my heart;

Lord, I want to be a Chris-tian in my heart.
 Lord, I want to be more lov - ing in my heart.
 Lord, I want to be more ho - ly in my heart.
 Lord, I want to be like Je - sus in my heart.

In my heart, in my heart,
 In my heart, in my heart,

Lord, I want to be a Chris-tian in my heart.
 Lord, I want to be more lov - ing in my heart.
 Lord, I want to be more ho - ly in my heart.
 Lord, I want to be like Je - sus in my heart.

753 Make Me a Channel of Your Peace

Prayer of St. Francis



1 Make me a chan-nel of your peace. Where
 2 Make me a chan-nel of your peace. Where
 4 Make me a chan-nel of your peace. It



there is ha-tred, let me bring your love. Where
 there's de-spair in life, let me bring hope. Where
 is in par-don-ing that we are par-doned, in



there is in-ju-ry, your par-don, Lord, and
 there is dark-ness, on-ly light, and
 giv-ing of our-selves that we re-ceive, and in



where there's doubt, true faith in you.
 where there's sad-ness, ev-er joy.
 dy-ing that we're born to e-ter-nal life.



3 O, Mas-ter, grant that I may nev-er seek so



much to be con-soled as to con-sole, to be



un-der-stood as to un-der-stand, to be



loved as to love with all my soul.

to Stanza 4

We Are One in the Spirit 300

They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love

Capo 1: (Em) Fm (Bm) Cm (Em) Fm

1 We are one in the Spir - it; we are one in the Lord;
 2 We will walk with each oth - er; we will walk hand in hand;
 3 We will work with each oth - er; we will work side by side;
 4 All praise to the Fa - ther, from whom all things come,

(Am) Bbm (Em) Fm

we are one in the Spir - it; we are one in the Lord,
 we will walk with each oth - er; we will walk hand in hand,
 we will work with each oth - er; we will work side by side,
 and all praise to Christ Je - sus, God's on - ly Son,

(Am) Bbm (Em) Fm

and we pray that all u - ni - ty may one day be re - stored:
 and to - geth - er we'll spread the news that God is in our land:
 and we'll guard hu - man dig - ni - ty and save hu - man pride:
 and all praise to the Spir - it, who makes us one:

Refrain (C) Db (Em) Fm

And they'll know we are Chris - tians by our love, by our

(Am) Bbm (Em) Fm (Am) Bbm (Bm) Cm (Em) Fm (Am/E) Bbm/F (Em) Fm

love; yes, they'll know we are Chris - tians by our love.

Call for the Annual Meeting of the Congregation

The annual meeting of the congregation of the Presbyterian Church at Shrewsbury will be held on January 28th, 2024, following worship at 11:15am in the sanctuary. The meeting is called for the purpose of receiving the annual report and 2024 budget, electing officers, and approving the Pastor's Terms of Call. Members present on Zoom for the meeting will be able to vote.

Printed copies of the Annual Report will be available on the harvest table in the Church House lobby next Sunday the 21st for our meeting on the 28th.

We think you will be pleasantly surprised by a new format and lots of pictures to help us celebrate our ministry!

Presbyterian Women General Meeting

Immediately following the Annual Meeting; there will be a short meeting of the Presbyterian Women to review and vote on the proposed changes to the women's ministry of the church. The proposed changes can be viewed ahead of time in the Annual Report.

Meeting Schedule Week of January 29th

29	JAN, MON	● 4:30 – 5:30pm	Wisdom Tree Yoga (FH)
		● 7 – 9pm	Boy Scouts (FH)
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30	JAN, TUE	● 9 – 10:30am	Zoom Bible Study
		● 9:30 – 10:30am	Wisdom Tree Yoga (FH)
		● 11am – 12pm	Overeaters Anonymous (TR)
		● 5 – 7pm	Mental Health Association of Monmouth County (FH)
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31	JAN, WED	● 4:45 – 5:45pm	Yoga Small Group - (FH)
		● 8 – 9pm	Igreja Presbiteriana Gethsemani Bible Study (TR)
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1	FEB, THU	● 6 – 7pm	Bells (SR)
		● 7 – 9pm	Igreja Presbiteriana Gethsemani choir practice (FH)
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3	FEB, SAT	● 8 – 9:30am	Men's Group (offsite)
		● 7:30 – 9pm	AA (TR and FH)
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4	FEB, SUN	● 8:45 – 9:30am	Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
		● 10 – 11am	Sunday School
		● 10 – 11am	Sunday Worship (Sanctuary)
		● 11am – 12pm	Coffee Hour (FH)
		● 3:30 – 4:30pm	AA (TR)
		● 5 – 6pm	AA (TR)
		● 6 – 9pm	Igreja Presbiteriana Gethsemani Worship (FH)