

SERVICE OF WORSHIP (8:30, November 25)

"Let your gentleness be evident to all. The Lord is near."

Philippians 4:5

GATHERING MUSIC

"10,000 Reasons" Myrin/Redman

ORGAN PRAISE

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Roderick Gorby

INTROIT

"I Was Glad" DeJarnette
The Sanctuary Choir; Jim DeJarnette

* CALL TO WORSHIP (based on Psalm 122 and Philippians 4) Tim McConnell

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People: Let us go into the house of the Lord!

Leader: Rejoice in the Lord always!

People: And again, we say rejoice!

* HYMN OF PRAISE, No. 59, vs. 1, 3, 4

"Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"

Mark Israel, Stephen Hock, Doug Moden, Trumpets

* DECLARATION OF GOOD NEWS

* PRAYER OF ADORATION

**WELCOME AND GREETING

* SONG OF PRAISE

"God Is Good All the Time" Moen/Overstreet
Marj Killick, Piano; James Bristow, Guitar; Jason Crowe, Bass; Aaron Turner, Percussion

CALL TO CONFESSION

* Congregation standing.

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COMMUNITY PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, we confess that we have not loved You with our whole heart. We have failed to be an obedient church. We have not done Your will, we have broken Your law, we have rebelled against Your love. We have not loved our neighbors, and we have refused to hear the cry of the needy. Forgive us, we pray. Free us for joyful obedience; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

PRAYER OF PERSONAL CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S FORGIVENESS

* SONG OF RESPONSE

"Laud and Honor to the Father" DeJarnette

* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH **The Apostles' Creed** Jennifer Holz

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 Spirit, 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 sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from there He shall come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body and the life everlasting. Amen.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

LIFE OF THE CONGREGATION

OFFERING OUR GIFTS

"I Can Tell the World" Hairston

SERMON

GENTLE: "Founded on Joy"
Philippians 4:4-9 John Goodale

MINISTRY OF MUSIC

"Excited About Jesus"Milner
Vonda Barnhart, soloist

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE / THE LORD'S PRAYER

* **HYMN OF RESPONSE, No. 342, vs. 1, 4**
"Rejoice, the Lord Is King!"

* **CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE

Prelude and Fugue on "Darwall's 148"Gorby

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SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Amelia Dawn Stoddard, daughter of Steven and Michelle Stoddard

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*** HYMN OF PREPARATION,**

“Rejoicing in the Gift of Life”

Rejoicing in the gift of life, give thanks to God above!

Our lives are precious in His sight, He guards our hearts with Love.

Rejoice, again I say: Rejoice! In all things, persevere.

Make all-surpassing joy our choice, for God, the Lord is near.

Beneath the shadow of His wings, we rest and sing for joy.

The peace and comfort Jesus brings, no trouble can destroy.

Rejoice, again I say: Rejoice! In Him, we'll find release.

Make all-surpassing joy our choice, and blessings never cease!

Rejoice in God through Jesus Christ, for He has overcome,

And by His grace we now have life – press on, for He has won!

Rejoice, again I say: Rejoice! The Savior sets us free.

Make all-surpassing joy our choice – He gives the victory!

Words: James DeJarnette; Tune: Ellacombe

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SONGS OF PRAISE AND PRAYER Chris Cullins and Zoe Anderson

CHILDREN'S SERMON (11:00 a.m.) Katie Fowler

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RESPONSE AND SENDING

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HAPPENINGS

Curious About Jesus? He's the reason we're here! Ministers are available after each service to listen and answer your questions.

Next Sunday "Time for Joy – A Joy Exercise"
Pastor Tim McConnell will preach from John 16:16–22.

For the Whole Church Family

Today – Sign up in the Plaza to serve on Christmas Eve and to attend Men's and Women's Christmas events.

Join us for the ordination and installation of Lydia Lockhart, Assistant Pastor of Mission Engagement, this afternoon at 4 p.m. in the Worship Center. A reception will follow.

Christmas Joy! Concert Sunday, December 9, 2 and 4:30 p.m. Tickets are available at the Pikes Peak Center box office. Ticket prices: \$16, \$21, \$26.

Giving Commitments for 2019 Thank you for your faithful support of the Lord's work here at First Pres. Commitment cards can still be turned in. Pick one up at the Plaza Reception Desk or submit online at www.first-pres.org/commitment.

Advent decorators needed November 27–30; anytime 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. (Sorry, no children because of safety concerns.) Help make First Pres festive and welcoming for all who come celebrate Jesus with us! Contact jdix@first-pres.org.

Adult Ministries | 719-884-6117

Do you have a passion for creating space for honest, safe conversation about God and faith?

We are building a team for Alpha (alphausa.org), a course exploring the Christian faith, specifically designed for those outside of the church who have questions about God, life and faith. There are a variety of ways to serve on the Alpha team here at First Pres. Contact Ina Meyer at imeyer@first-pres.org.

Nursery | 884-6139 | first-pres.org/nursery

Nursery is available during all worship services and many midweek events.

Children | 884-6126 | first-pres.org/children

Preschool meets on the 2nd floor and K–5th grades meet on the 3rd floor at 10 a.m. Sundays.

Students | 884-6220 | first-pres.org/students

Middle School (6–8) meets Sundays at 10 a.m. and Wednesdays at 6:15 p.m. High School (9–12) meets Sundays at 10 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.

Winter Camp: High School Feb. 1–3; Middle School Feb. 15–17. Sign up today at www.first-pres.org/students to get the early bird rate!

College | 719-237-1522 | first-pres.org/college

Young Life College club meets each Tuesday night at 7:46 p.m. at UCCS in Breck 5101.

College Community Group meets each Thursday night at 7:30 p.m. at 428 Cragmor Road, 80907.

Women | 884-6117 | first-pres.org/women

Women's Christmas Celebration – Thursday, December 6, 6 p.m. and Friday, December 7, 11:30 a.m. Cost: \$20. Tickets are on sale at the Plaza Reception Desk. If you would like to provide

a scholarship for a woman attending, contact Ina Meyer, imeyer@first-pres.org.

Men's Life | 884-6119 | first-pres.org/men

Men's Christmas Brunch – Saturday, December 15, 9:30–11 a.m. in the Worship Center. Nate Stratman, pastor of Hope Community Church in Wilmington, N.C., will be the speaker. Cost: \$10. Tickets are on sale at the Plaza Reception Desk and online.

Mission Engagement | 884-6233 | first-pres.org/missions

Join the Guatemala Team as they share about their recent trip on Tuesday, November 27, 6–7 p.m. in Room 209. Hear stories and the ways that they saw God moving with our new partners.

We are forming two teams to go to Mongolia in 2019. The Teacher's Camp Team needs teachers and administrators. The English Team needs those who enjoy teaching ESL. The teams will train as one, but work with different groups while

in Mongolia. We appreciate team members who have teaching qualifications, an ESL certification or endorsement, or a TOFEL or TESOL certification. (desired but not required). Information meetings: December 2 at 9:30 and 10:30 a.m. in Room 205.

Caring Ministries | 884-6145 | first-pres.org/care

Going through a difficult time? Having someone to care, listen and share God's love with you can help you get through confusion, stress or loneliness. The Stephen Ministry is grounded in Jesus' command to love one another. Contact Caring Ministries if you are interested in being connected with a Stephen Minister.

Work at First Pres | 884-6190 | first-pres.org/jobs

Custodian, full-time; Preschool Teacher (2018-2019 School Year), part-time.

Visit www.first-pres.org/serve to find volunteer opportunities.

WEEKLY PRAYER FOCUS

Mission Emphasis: Dale House reaches out to at-risk youth within the context of community living, helping teach the skills necessary to live independently while building healthy relationships.

Local Church: Vanguard Church

Pray for those in hospitals or short-term rehab:

St. Francis Medical Ctr. **Center at Centennial**
Mr. Clyde Keith Mrs. Marcy Tuthill
Mrs. Gladys Perry

Gifts to Sanctuary Flower Fund

In Memory of:

My husband, James M. Wood Jr., by
Mrs. Elsie Wood and family

Ron Grand on his 87th birthday by Audrey Grand, our
five children and their families

Timmy Brown by Jim and Kang Lee Brown

IN MEMORIAM

Mr. Duncan MacDonald – 11/4/18

Mr. Michael Cope – 11/18/18

Information on those who have gone to be with the Lord
may be found at www.first-pres.org/memorials.