SERMON NOTES:

1. God's Provision (vv.8-13)

2. The Spirit's Preparation (vv.14-17)



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This Week at 1st Pres

Sunday, Nove 9:00 AM 9:15 AM 10:15 AM 11:00 AM 11:30 AM		Sanctuary Children's Wing Sanctuary Children's Wing	
Monday, November 28			
8:00 AM 10:00 AM	Men's Bible Study Flower Delivery Pick-Up Women's Prayer Ministry	Poindexter Connector Session Room	
5:30 PM 6:00 PM		Session Room SS 208	
Tuesday, Nove			
12:00 PM	All-Staff Meeting Beatitude Living Virtual House of Prayer	Tower 402 Tower 404 Zoom	
Wednesday, N	lovember 30		
6:30 AM 4:30 PM	Dead Theologians Society Deacon-on-Call World Missions Prayer Time	Fellowship Hall Connector Tower 303	
6:15 PM	Choir Rapha Fellowship	Choir Room SS 209 & SS 210	
Thursday, December 1			
10:00 AM 3:15 PM 3:30 PM	Balance Exercise Class First Friends English Class Stephen Ministry	Student Center Student Center Tower 402	
7:30 PM	Virtual House of Prayer	Zoom	
Friday, Decen			
10:15 AM 12:00 PM 1:00 PM	Support Staff Meeting Card-E-Ology First Friends English Class	Tower 8 th Floor Student Center	
Saturday, December 3			
•	The Messiah with CSO	Sanctuary	
Sunday, Dece	mber 4		
9:00 AM	Worship Service	Sanctuary	
9:15 AM	Children's Church	Children's Wing	
10:15 AM 11:00 AM	Sunday School Worship Service	Sanctuary	
11:00 AM 11:30 AM	Worship Service Children's Church	Sanctuary Children's Wing	
3:00 PM	The Messiah Sing Along	Sanctuary	

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Prelude

PREPARING HEARTS AND MINDS FOR WORSHIP "Break Forth, O Beauteous Heavenly Light" by J.S. Bach

†CALL TO WORSHIP Isaiah 40:1-4

†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.

First Presbyterian Church exists to be a Christ-exalting, city-center church committed to fulfilling the Great Commission in Chattanooga, North America, and around the world, to the glory of the Triune God.

The Lord's Day SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 27, 2022 11:00 AM

Please stand as you are able.

"All Glory Be to God on High, BWV 663" by J.S. Bach

Patrick Rice, organ

Welcome and Announcments

Advent Candle Lighting

THE PRAISE OF GOD'S PEOPLE

Reader: Comfort, comfort my people, says your God.

Speak tenderly to Jerusalem, and cry to her that her warfare is ended, that her iniquity is pardoned,

that she has received from the LORD's hand double for all her sins. People: A voice cries: "In the wilderness prepare the way of the LORD;

make straight in the desert a highway for our God.

Every valley shall be lifted up, and every mountain and hill be made low; the uneven ground shall become level, and the rough places a plain."

†PRAYER OF INVOCATION

†Hymns of Praise

"O Come, O Come, Emmanuel" No. 194 (vv. 1-5) "Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus"

†Affirmation of Faith The Nicene Creed We believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth. of all things visible and invisible. And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father; by Whom all things were made; Who for us and for our salvation came down from heaven. and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; He suffered and was buried: and the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father; and He shall come again, with glory, to judge both the living and the dead; Whose kingdom shall have no end. And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, Who proceeds from the Father and the Son; Who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified; Who spoke by the prophets; and we believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church; we acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins; and we look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Confession of Sin

Almighty God, You Who shaped out of nothing all that is, forgive us for returning empty-handed. You Who called forth light, forgive our preference for the dark! You Who sent John to be a voice crying, forgive our unwillingness to say anything at all! Create in us clean hearts. O God. and renew a right spirit within us. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Hymn of Assurance

"Infant Holy, Infant Lowly"

No. 216 (vv. 1-2)

PRAYER FOR CHRIST'S PEOPLE

OFFERTORY

"Thou Who Wast Rich" arr. Charles Kitson

GREETING & DISMISSAL TO CHILDREN'S CHURCH* *Please check in your children PreK-1st grade at the check-in station by the Fellowship Hall level elevator and walk them to the PreK-K dept.

[†]Doxology

Sermon

THE WORD FOR GOD'S PEOPLE

Luke 1:8-17 — "The Spirit in John" "The Spirit of Christmas" Sermon Series Dr. Gabe Fluhrer

†Hymn of Response

"Song of Zechariah"

Bulletin

	THE SENDING OF GOD'S PEOPLE	
† Benediction		
from Numbers 6:24-26		
Pastor:	May the LORD bless you and keep you;	
	May the LORD make His face to shine upon you	
	and be gracious to you;	
	May the LORD lift up His countenance upon you	
	and give you peace, both now and forevermore,	
	in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.	
People:	Thanks be to God! Amen.	

Postlude

"Good Christian Men, Rejoice" arr. Susan Whitacre Celtic Ensemble

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from Luke 1:68-79 vers. Harry Zekveld, 2015

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The flowers today are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Dr. John E. Huckaba by Mrs. Ann Huckaba and their daughters: Sharon, Ginger, and Hollee; grandchildren: Megan, McClain, Hudson, Builder, Kruesi, Beata, Taylor, Eden, and Ella; and great-grandchildren: Ava, Lyla, Solomon, Huck, Jane Grey, Liam, Isla, and Evangeline.

The flowers will be arranged by the Flower Committee and delivered by volunteers to our homebound and hospitalized on Monday, November 28th.

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