

To Our Guests: We are happy to have you worship with us today. We invite you to join us each Sunday, as we worship and study God's word. If you would like more information concerning our church, you may fill out one of the Welcome Cards in the pews and place it in the offering plate, talk to the ushers or call the church office at 850-526-2430. www.firstpresmarianna.org

Nursery Care is available for children Kindergarten and below during our Worship Service each Sunday morning.

THIS WEEK IN OUR CHURCH

Today, January 8th

- 8:30 a.m. – 9:30 a.m. – Coffee, Juice and Fellowship
- 8:45 a.m. – Mission & Service Committee
- 9:45 a.m. – Sunday School
- 10:00 a.m. – Choir Rehearsal
- 11:00 a.m. – Worship Service
- 5:30 p.m. -Youth @ church

Monday, January 9th

- 9:00 a.m. - Ladies Exercise Class
- 10:30 a.m. – Circle One - Parlor
- 4:00 p.m. - Circle Two - Parlor
- 6:00 p.m. – Girl Scouts – Fellowship Hall
- 6:00 p.m. – Good News Women - Parlor

Tuesday, January 10th

- 3:30 p.m.- Food Pantry Bagging

Wednesday, January 11th

- 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. –Food Pantry
- 3:15 – 5:15 p.m. – Wild Wonderful Wednesday
- 3:30 p.m. - Choir Practice (note: new time)
- 6:00 p.m. – Men's group – “God's Warriors”
Church Fellowship Hall. All men are invited.
Gumbo Dinner and Bible Study

Thursday, January 12th

- 7:00 p.m. NA Meeting

Friday, January 13th

- 9:00 a.m.-Ladies Exercise Class

Saturday, January 14th

- 8:30 a.m. - Women's Prayer Breakfast**
New Event! Meet at “Up The Creek” for Breakfast,
Brief devotional and conversational prayer. Linda Wamsley is the “point person” for this group starting up.

Sunday, January 15th

- 8:30 a.m. – Christian Ed Committee
- 9:30 a.m. – Refreshments & fellowship
- 9:45 a.m. – Sunday School
- 10:00 a.m. – Choir Rehearsal
- 11:00 a.m. – Worship
- 12:15 p.m. – Worship & Music Committee

First Presbyterian Prays for: (new requests in bold!)

Joy Gilbert

Frankie Stewart

Beth Westmoreland

Gina Stuart

Debbie Reed, (requested by Mary Wierman)

Dustin Reidesel (requested by Betty Joyce Hand)

Joyce Ward (requested by Beth Westmoreland)

Louise Pumphrey

Linda Bevis, (requested by Mary Bevis Schmidt),

Louise Daffin,

Gil Lowe,

Emmy Lou Brown Granger, (requested by Beverly Hinson)

Matt Goold, (requested by family)

Savannah McCroan Merrifield

Shelley Fite (requested by Donna Moore, aunt)

Suzanne Payne in nursing home

Bobbie Harris (requested by Kathy Roberts)

Sybil Schmidt King (requested by Mary B. Schmidt)

Melanie Turner McCroan

Shelby Kandle (requested by family)

Gail Stearn (Guy Green's Sister)

Jeff Allen (requested by Hazel Nelson)

Destry Burch (requested by Mary B. Schmidt)

Bob Ward (requested by Mary Wierman)

Kena Nelson (requested by Hazel Nelson)

Marie Lanier (requested by Joy Lewis)

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Thanks to all who decorated the Church for Christmas and to those who took the decorations down ! **Thank you to** Stanley and the Choir for all the extra time & talent for the Cantata and enriching our worship every week. **Thank you to** Larrian Bedini and Amanda Hinson and all those who helped our children (and Busbys!) have a perfect Christmas Pageant !

The Wamsleys want to thank the entire congregation for making their first Christmas in Marianna memorable.

Sympathy and prayers are extended to the following who suffered the loss of loved ones just recently: Family & friends of Daun Crews; Barry Stafford Family on the loss of his grandmother (LA); Marsha Rodgers Family on the loss of her sister (WA); Scott Yant Family on the loss of his brother (PA). Thanks be to God who gives the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ ! “Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord from henceforth; yea, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labors; and their works do follow them.” Rev. 14:13



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We believe we are honest enough, and truthful enough, and faithful enough, and kind enough, and patient enough.

Forgive, we pray, our acceptance of minimum standards, and motivate us to become all that You want us to be.

*A time for Silent Confession

*Assurance of Forgiveness

Surely God is my salvation; I will trust and not be afraid, for the Lord God is my strength and my might.

Isaiah 12:2

*The Response of Praise and Gratitude

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.

A-men, A-men.

Grow - Proclaim God's Word

Children's Message

Old Testament Lesson

Isaiah 42:1-9

Pew Bible, Page #584

Choral Anthem

"The Grace Divine"

Text by Charles Wesley

Music arranged by Roger Price

Come, let us use the grace divine, and all with one accord, in a perpetual covenant join ourselves to Christ the Lord; Give up ourselves, thru Jesus' power, his name to glorify; and promise, in this sacred hour, for God to live and die.

The covenant we this moment make be ever kept in mind; we will no more our God forsake, or cast these words behind. We never will throw off the fear of God who hears our vow; and if thou art well pleased to hear, come down and meet us now.

Thee, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, let all our hearts receive, present with thy celestial host the peaceful answer give; to each covenant the blood apply which takes our sins away, and register our names on high and keep us to that day!

Gospel Lesson

Matthew 3:13-17

Pew Bible, Page #784

Message

"The Water that Brings a New Beginning"

Rev. John T. Wamsley

*Hymn

"Baptized in Water"

Page #492, Hymnal

Ordination and Installation of Elders (see insert)

Elders: Sam Andreu, Lauren Lyons, Muriel Turner and

Beth Westmoreland

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

("debts and debtors")

Offertory

*Doxology & Prayer of Dedication

**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. A-men.**

Go - In God's Name

*Hymn

"Here I Am, Lord"

Page #525, Hymnal

*Benediction and Congregational Response

"Love Divine, All Loves Excelling" Page #376 v4, Hymnal

Finish then, Thy new creation; Pure and spotless
Let us be; Let us see Thy great salvation
Perfectly restored in Thee; Changed from glory into
glory, Til in heaven we take our place, Til we cast our
crowns before Thee, Lost in wonder, love and praise.

*POSTLUDE

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*Prayer for Our Elders

God of grace, pour out your Holy Spirit on Sam Andreu,

Celebration of Worship

January 8, 2017

11:00 a.m.

Gather - Assemble in God's Name

Prelude

The Chiming of the Hour

Welcome and Sharing of Community Life

Call To Worship

Leader: Today, bring to the Lord
our emptiness, to be filled

**PEOPLE: our hurts to be healed;
our resentments to be soothed;**

Leader: our fears, to be comforted;
our sins, to be pardoned;

**PEOPLE: our joys, to be shared;
our resolve, to be strengthened.**

***Hymn of Praise** "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"
Page #356, Hymnal

*Prayer of Confession (In Unison)

**We confess Lord, that all too often we are content
to remain the way we are.**

Lauren Lyons, Muriel Turner and Beth Westmoreland, that they may be your faithful elders in the church.

Give them prudence and sound judgement, wisdom and courage to order the life of the church in obedience to your Word.

Nourish them in the life of the Holy Spirit, that they may exercise the ministry of discipline with humility and compassion.

Guide them in governance, on this session and in every court of the church, that they may be servant leaders following Christ who came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life to set others free.

Give them joy in their walk of faith and a sure sense of your abiding presence for their work of ministry. In Jesus' name.

Amen.