



PRAYER LIST

George Essman Johnny Thatcher Daniel Valentine
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Greg Brown Prudence West Wanda Wilson Jhan Aeh George Mosley

CALENDAR

Nov. 20: Pastor Preaches @ 2ndPres. 9A.
Nov. 20: Scioto V. Presbytery meets at 3:30 P.
Nov. 23: Office Appointment (Pastor)
Nov. 23: FPC Thanksgiving Outreach, Riverside (See Diane)
Nov. 24: Food Pantry Closed, and Church Offices
Nov. 27: Deacons Meet, after worship
Nov. 30: COA meets at Welcome Center, Portsmouth (Diane/Pastor)
*Dec. Deacons will not meet in Dec. 2022
Dec: 1: Food Pantry Closed
Dec. 4: Communion Sunday, Second Day of Advent
Dec. 5: Scheduled meetings 12:30P and 7:30P (Pastor)
Dec. 6: SCM meeting? (Diane)
Dec. 7: Mission and Congregational Leaders Cmte. meets at 4 P.
Dec. 7: Student Loan Cmte. meets at 5:30 P.
Dec. 8: Food Pantry open, 12 – 2 P.
Dec. 9: Tour of Churches
Dec. 14-17: Pastor out of town but returns for Sunday worship.
Dec. 24: X-mas Eve Candlelight Service, 5:30 P.
Dec. 21: Session Meets (*please note this date is the 3rd Wed.)
Dec. 25: Christmas Day and Worship.
Dec. 31: Loaves and Fishes (All Saints)

Pastor's Office Hours for the Week

Mondays: Home office (worship planning & prep.)
Tuesday thru Thursday: 10 AM - 4 PM Fridays: Off
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First Presbyterian Church

Portsmouth, Ohio

November 20, 2022

*Minister: Rev. Ron Johnson, Pastor
Deacon Stephanie Scaggs, Liturgist
Ms. Michele Imes, Choir Director
Dr. Phillip Roberts, Organist
Mr. Dawson Bradley-Selby, Media Coordinator*

We Are Glad You're Here!



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WELCOME TO WORSHIP

Christ the King Sunday

GATHERING THE PEOPLE TOGETHER

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor Ron Johnson

PRELUDE

Dr. Phillip Roberts

***CALL TO WORSHIP (the people's response in bold)** Deacon Stephanie Scaggs

Leader: Say among the nations, The Lord reigns.

All: Let the heavens be glad and the earth rejoice!

Leader: The Lord is coming to judge the earth.

All: God will judge the world with righteousness and the people with truth.

Leader: Come let us worship God in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

All: Blessing and honor, glory and power be to our God now and always.

***PRAYER FOR THE DAY**

***OPENING HYMN** #551 "Come Ye Thankful People, Come" **PH** (on screen)

CALL TO CONFESSION

Deacon Scaggs

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (spoken in unison)

God of wisdom and warning, we confess that we often prefer our own plans to your purposes. We shrink from acts of service that seem too demanding. Forgive us when our commitment wavers and we think someone else will take up the challenges we face. Inspire us with the example of Jesus, and energize us with your Spirit to follow him as our Shepherd wherever he leads. (An invitation to silently confess our sins)

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Pastor Ron

***Gloria Patri**

***SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

HEARING AND RESPONDING TO THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Pastor Ron

SPECIAL MUSIC

Dr. Phillip Roberts

KEY SCRIPTURE LESSON

Luke 23:33-43 NLT

Deacon Scaggs

THE MESSAGE

Between Two Criminals

Pastor Ron

OUR RESPONSE IN SONG

"Give Thanks" (on screen)

PRAYERS FOR THE PEOPLE

Pastor Ron

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (APOSTLE'S CREED) (on-screen)

PRESENTATION OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

Deacon Scaggs

*** PRAYER OF DEDICATION** (spoken in unison)

Merciful God, you envision a world where the hungry are fed and strangers are welcomed. We bring you our gifts to share in that vision. With your blessing, may our gifts bear fruit in Christ's name, and offer his blessing to those we serve for his sake. Amen.

BEARING AND FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

***CLOSING HYMN** # 554 "Let All Things Now Living" (on screen)

***SENDING/CHARGE**

Soli Deo Gloria (on screen)

Pastor Ron

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Dr. Roberts

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