

## THE PEOPLE GATHER

**GATHERING MUSIC & RINGING OF THE BELL**

**WELCOME & GREETING OUR NEIGHBORS**

**CHORAL INTROIT**

\* **CALL TO WORSHIP** (Responsive)

*One:* Arise, shine; for our light has come!

*Many:* We have chased the star across the sky.

We have journeyed far to worship a wrinkled, crying child.

*One:* The glory of God has risen upon us!

*Many:* We have opened our treasures before the babe:  
our wealth, our hopes, our very lives.

*One:* The one in whom our souls delight!

*Many:* A bruised reed he will not break,  
and a dimly burning wick he will not quench.

*All:* Joy to the world, He is the Beloved;  
we will not grow faint or be crushed  
until he has established justice in the earth.

\* **PRAYER OF INVOCATION FOR THE INDWELLING OF THE SPIRIT**

\* **SACRED MUSIC** #475 NPH “Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing”

\* **PRAYER OF CONFESSION** (Unison)

God, so often we have failed to remember the commitment we made in our baptism to share the light you have given us with others just as you have so mercifully blessed us. Forgive us, God, and touch again our hearts that we might know anew your divine love and carry it to all the world around us. In Christ we pray. Amen.

\* **ASSURANCE OF GRACE**

\* **PROFESSION OF FAITH** (Unison) **Apostles’ Creed**  
(Inside Cover of the Hymnal)

\* **GLORIA PATRI** (Unison)

\* **THE PEACE** (Response: “*And also with you.*”)



## PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

**SCRIPTURE READING** Isaiah 42:1-4 Pg. 670 OT  
Matthew 3:13-17 Pg. 3 NT

**TIME WITH THE YOUNG AND YOUNG AT HEART**  
(Kids may leave for Church School afterward.)

**ANTHEM**

**SERMON** “Proper For Us In This Way” Rev. Michael P. Catanzaro

\* **SACRED MUSIC** #488 NPH “I Was There to Hear Your Borne Cry”

## RESPONSE TO THE WORD

**RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP**

(Wave to your neighbors, and those joining via the live-stream.)

**OFFERING**

(Offerings may be placed in the collection basket at the top of the stairs  
as you exit the sanctuary following the worship.)

**SHARING OUR JOYS AND CONCERNS**

**PASTORAL PRAYER, PRAYER OF DEDICATION & LORD’S PRAYER**  
(Debts & Debtors; Inside Cover of the Hymnal)

\* **DOXOLOGY** (Unison, Inside Cover of the Hymnal)

\* **SACRED MUSIC** #482 NPH “Baptized in Water”

\* **CHARGE & BLESSING**

**CHORAL BLESSING & POSTLUDE** (Seated) Jarrett Larson

\* **Congregation standing; as each person desires.**

**Masks are welcome but not required, distance as you are comfortable.**

Virtual fellowship via Zoom will take place at 11:30 a.m.

<https://zoom.us/j/6360764407>

The Mission of the 1st Presbyterian Church of Canton is to reach out to all people  
and welcome them in celebrating truly the joys, freedoms and responsibilities  
that come with our faith in God, Christ’s unconditional love for us,  
and the power of the Holy Spirit to transform our world.

Through this nurturing Christian Community we will fully recognize the value of each believer,  
humbly forgive ourselves and others, and lovingly embrace God’s Grace.

## PRAYER REMEMBRANCES

We remember in prayer John Backus and Family on the death of wife Jean (Sister-in-law of Susan Akins), Bev and Jerry Findley on death of Son Gregory, Christa Lyon, Lew Shepard, Martin Syvertsen, Karen Parker and Bill, Mark and Nancy Brown and family, the Boswell family, Colleen Grant, Mitzi VonSchiller (friend of Beth Hayes), the Basford/Rodee family, Nick Scelzi, Rhonda Walch, Jody Upton (sister of Susan Akins), and all who are ill in hospitals, nursing homes or at home; and those serving our nation and their families who support them.

Organist & Choir Director: Jarrett Larson  
Assistant Choir Director: Bob Duda  
Church School Director: Andrea Montgomery  
Office Coordinator: Lynne HunterBeach

**The password for our church wifi network is: Lakew00d4331a**  
**Password for the Zoom fellowship call at 11:30 a.m. is 3862570**

## AT OUR CHURCH THIS WEEK

- Today 01/08/23
- Baptism of the Lord
  - Bring a friend to Church
  - In Person Worship (10 a.m.)
  - Live-Stream of Worship (10 a.m.)
  - Virtual Fellowship via Zoom (11:30 a.m.)
  - De-Greening of the Church
- Wednesday 01/11/23
- Women's Circle (7 p.m.) LL
- Thursday 01/12/23
- Choir Practice (7 p.m.)
  - Annual Reports Due
- Sunday 01/15/23
- Newsletter Deadline
  - Noisy Can Sunday
  - Name Tag Sunday
  - Church School

**Birthdays:** Beth Ann Russell, Emily Ames (Sunday)  
Amanda Peacock (Monday)  
Kimberly Dildine, Lauren Smith (Friday)

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