



- Our members and friends who are living in a nursing home, assisted living or are partially or fully "home-bound"
- All those battling cancer
- Rod Smith, Randy Smith's brother, requests prayers as he recovers from open heart surgery.
- Webb Davis as he recovers from a compression fracture in his spine.

We encourage you to pray for these friends – send them a note, call, or visit them. Addresses and phone numbers can be obtained from the church office. Send your prayer requests, concerns, and updates to office.fpcjc@gmail.com

Notice of Filming: Worship services are filmed and recorded to be included on our Church website, Facebook, YouTube, etc. While most footage will feature worship leaders, video of the congregation may also appear. Children may be seen during children's sermons. If you have concerns, please get in touch with the church office.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

We strive to be a loving family of faith nurturing the spiritual growth of one another as we serve, worship, and reach out in celebration of Christ's Love.

January 26, 2025

PRELUDE

*How Firm a Foundation...*by Lani Smith

GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTROIT *O Come, O Come, Immanuel...*Arr. Martha Lynn Thompson
Glory Ringers

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: God's love is poured out on God's world.

People: From the foundations of time, God's love is woven into all things.

Leader: When we cry "Abba, Father!", God hears and lovingly responds to us.

People: Thanks be to God who forgives and lifts us up.

Leader: Now we are called to be born anew!

People: Open our hearts and our lives that we may truly be born with hearts aflame with God's love. Amen.

*HYMN OF PRAISE #634

To God Be the Glory

*INVITATION TO, AND PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy and merciful God, in your presence we confess our sinfulness, our shortcomings, and our offenses against you. You alone know how often we have sinned in wandering from your ways, in wasting your gifts, in forgetting your love.

Have mercy on us, O Lord, for we are ashamed and sorry for all we have done to displease you. Forgive our sins, and help us to live in your light, and walk in your ways, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

***RESPONSE TO FORGIVENESS (Hymn #447)** *We are Forgiven*

We are forgiven. We are forgiven.

Thanks be to God. Thanks be to God.

We are forgiven. We are forgiven.

Thanks be to God. Thanks be to God.

***THE PEACE**

(Please greet one another and exchange signs of peace and reconciliation)

PROCLAIM GOD’S WORD

PRAYER

FIRST LESSON

Psalm 19

Leader: The Word of the Lord

People: **Thanks be to God.**

CHANCEL CHOIR

As Water to the Thirsty...by Carter

CHILDREN’S MOMENT

***HYMN #757**

Today We All Are Called to Be Disciples

THE MESSAGE TEXT AND MESSAGE

“Today”

Luke 4:14-21

RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

We believe in God, maker of all things, provider of all things, who loves all people. We follow Jesus, in whom salvation has

come to us: he sees us for who we are, heals the wounds of our hearts, and makes us new. In his death and resurrection, we see the deepest truth of life. We live by the power of the Holy Spirit, which empowers us for self-giving love. We give thanks for the Church, the Body of Christ, and for the gift of forgiveness, the power of resurrection and the mystery of eternal life. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD’S PRAYER

INVITATION TO OFFERING

Offering plates will be passed to persons seated in pews. Gifts/pledges may also be sent to First Presbyterian Church by mail or through the “Give Now” link on our website: <https://www.fpcjc.com>

OFFERTORY

*Christmas Bell Suite...Arr. by John Behnke
Glory Ringers*

***DOXOLOGY AND PRAYER** (Offertory Response, Hymn #606)

GO IN GOD’S NAME

***HYMN OF COMMITMENT #772**

Live into Hope

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE

Soliloquy...by Edward Broughton

***People stand as they are able**

Thanks to those who have assisted in this morning's worship:

Transitional Pastor: Kemper Huber

Worship Leader: Jim Ray

Chancel Choir Director: Joe Markley

Music Coordinator and Handbell Director: Sheila Markley

Organist: Rhoda Frasier

Video Preparer/Operator/Sound: Colleen Smith

Key Deacon for Feb. transportation: Jennifer Lankas (785-320-3035)

Elder on call the week of January 26: Gary Miles (785-223-5894)

Head Ushers for January 26: Bob and Pam Haynes

Acolytes for January 26: Ally Lankas & Quint Lindey

Children are welcome in worship. We welcome all children and youth to stay during the worship service and experience God. If you need your child to go to the nursery, our caretakers are ready to receive them.

The flowers in the sanctuary this Sunday are provided by the Finance Committee in appreciation of Annette Ray's 17 years of service as our church treasurer.

The New 2025 Flower Calendar is posted in the hall by the church office. There are still plenty of Sundays available for you to sign up on the calendar. If you have any questions, you may call Vanessa at 785-238-8809. Thank you.

Per Capita for 2025 will be \$38.00.

There will be a congregational meeting after service today. Please plan to attend if you are able.

Reminder-we will have a potluck in the dining room following the congregational meeting. If this is your first time here, we would love to have you join us.

Reminder for parents-JELLY will meet after worship on February 2, 2025.

Can you host Cookie Fellowship? Dates are open beginning with February 23. The signup sheet is on the bulletin board across from the kitchenette. If you have any questions, contact Jenna Langvardt at 785-761-5815.

Please join us for hot coffee, breakfast snacks, warm fellowship, and great discussions every Sunday in room 206 at 9:30 am for the **Pathfinders Adult Sunday School class**.

Join us in the dining room for the **Sunrise Adult Sunday School class** at 8:55 am.

Join us for our Wednesday noon Bible study with Janet Parrish leading a study on Margaret Feinberg’s book *James, What You Do Matters*. This class meets from 12:30 to 1:30 pm in room 206.

Church services are streamed at: <https://www.fpcjc.com>. You will find our worship bulletin and links to our Facebook page and YouTube on this webpage.

If you have any information you would like in the **bulletin**, please let the church office know by **noon on Wednesday** for that week. You may call 785-238-1191 or email your info to office.fpcjc@gmail.com

If you want to put anything into the **February** newsletter, please email the information to the church office no later than **January 20, 2025**. Our email address is office.fpcjc@gmail.com.

When inclement weather is forecast, there are three ways you can find out if the church worship service has been canceled: WIBW (website or T.V.), our First Presbyterian Church-Junction City Facebook page, and email from the church if we have your email address.

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

Monday	
6:00 pm	Cub Scouts
Tuesday	
7:00 pm	Session
Wednesday	
12:30 pm	Ladies Bible Study
6:30 pm	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
8:00 pm	AA Meeting
Thursday	
9:30 am	Christian Education Committee
Saturday	
8:35 am	Men’s Breakfast
Sunday	
8:30 am	Glory Ringers Rehearsal
8:55 am	Sunrise Sunday School (Adult only)
9:30 am	Sunday School (Adult and Youth)
10:45 am	Worship, child care available
	Coffee Fellowship
12:00 pm	Jelly