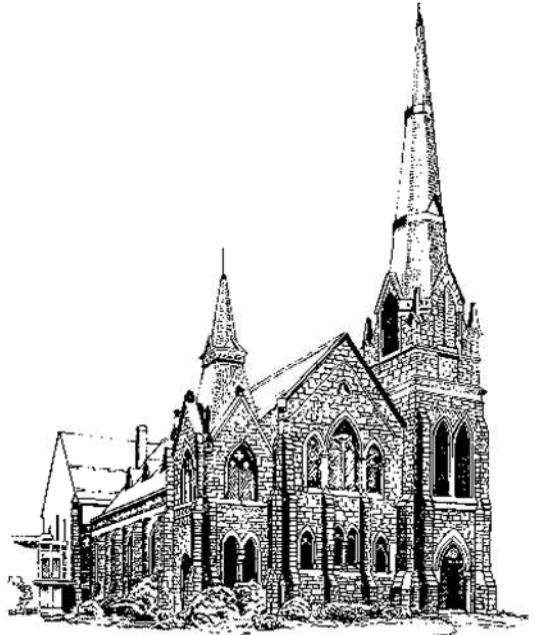


THE  
FIRST PRESBYTERIAN  
CHURCH  
AT CALDWELL

*Our Purpose:  
To help all people build life-transforming  
relationships with God and each other.*



*The members and friends of FPC welcome people from all backgrounds - -  
people of faith from throughout the world, people who profess no faith,  
Christians of all denominations and those who are searching  
for religious and spiritual meaning.  
Welcome!*

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February 16, 2014  
Ten o'clock  
6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

**GATHERING**

REFLECTION

*God comes to us in free and undeserved favor in the person of Jesus Christ who lived, died, and rose for us that we might belong to God and serve Christ in the world. Following Jesus, Presbyterians are engaged in the world and in seeking thoughtful solutions to the challenges of our time.*

*— from the Presbyterian Church (USA) website*

PRELUDE

“Amazing Grace”

J. Schrader

## CALL TO WORSHIP

Luke Pryor, Lay Reader

How good it is for fathers and mothers, sisters and brothers, friends and neighbors, first-timers and life-timers, to gather for the worship of God.

**We are young and old; we are traditional and we are contemporary; we are seekers and we are finders.**

May God bless us in this time together, that we might know God's presence and might experience the peace that Christ gives.

**We seek peace for people far away and we seek peace for our homes.**

Let us pray.

## OPENING PRAYER

\*HYMN NO. 305

“Come Sing, O Church, in Joy!”

DARWALL'S 148TH

*Lighting the candles today is Acolyte Alyssa White.*

## CONFESSION

### CORPORATE CONFESSION

**O Lord our God, you know us better than we know ourselves. As we come before you now, believers and doubters alike, we all share a deep need for wholeness and peace. Search us, O God, and know our hearts, test us and know our troubled thoughts. Forgive us all our wrongs. Transform us by your Spirit to live for you each day, to learn to serve each other and, through the grace of Jesus Christ our Lord, to live together in community.**

### PERSONAL CONFESSION

In Christ's name we pray.

**Amen.**

### ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

...Friends, believe the good news.

**In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.**

\*RESPONSE OF PRAISE NO. 71

“Surely, It Is God Who Saves Me”

**Surely, it is God who saves me; I will trust and not be afraid.**

**For the Lord is my stronghold and my sure defense, and God will be my Savior.**

## PROCLAIMING AND RESPONDING

## TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

*Please note: Children through 7th grade may leave the sanctuary for Sunday School following the Time with the Children. Please exit through the doors on either side of the Choir loft.*



\*RESPONSE OF THANKSGIVING NO. 607 “Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Christ, all people here below;  
Praise Holy Spirit evermore;  
Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.**

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

### **GOING FORTH**

\*BENEDICTION

\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE NO. 175 “Seek Ye First”

**Seek ye first the kingdom of God and its righteousness,  
And all these things shall be added unto you. Allelu, alleluia!**

\*THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you.

**And also with you.**

*Please exchange greetings of welcome and peace with your neighbor.*

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*\*Those who are able, please stand*

†If you are new to our church...**Welcome!** We're glad to have you here. Please ask an usher to direct you to *Visitor packets* at the rear of the church. They can be found on the table near the usher's closet under the balcony stairs. After the 10:00 service today, we hope you will join us for Coffee Hour in Room 120.

†Special thanks to Kris George and Kevin Pasternak for their assistance in worship this morning while the Piercys are on Choir Tour with Youth in the San Francisco area.

†The flowers this morning are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of...

...Charles N. Weigand by his wife, Hanna and family.

...John Rogers Wilcox by Laura Ingersoll.

†You will find CDs of the 10:00AM Worship Service at the back of the church along with CD's of other recent services. Keep the CD for your own use, pass it on to your friends and neighbors or return them for re-use by other people. Just another way to share news about our Church!

†Your prayers of intercession are requested for those members and friends known to be *currently or recently* hospitalized or who continue to need our prayers and support:

...Evelyn Martin, Harold Kuhfuss, Doris Brixner, Bill Hayden, Marilyn O'Connell, Louise Ritscher, Barbara Piggery, Olga Muller, Laura Winter, and Harry Coppens. The church office will be happy to verify their home addresses for you should you wish to send them words of encouragement or get well wishes.



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