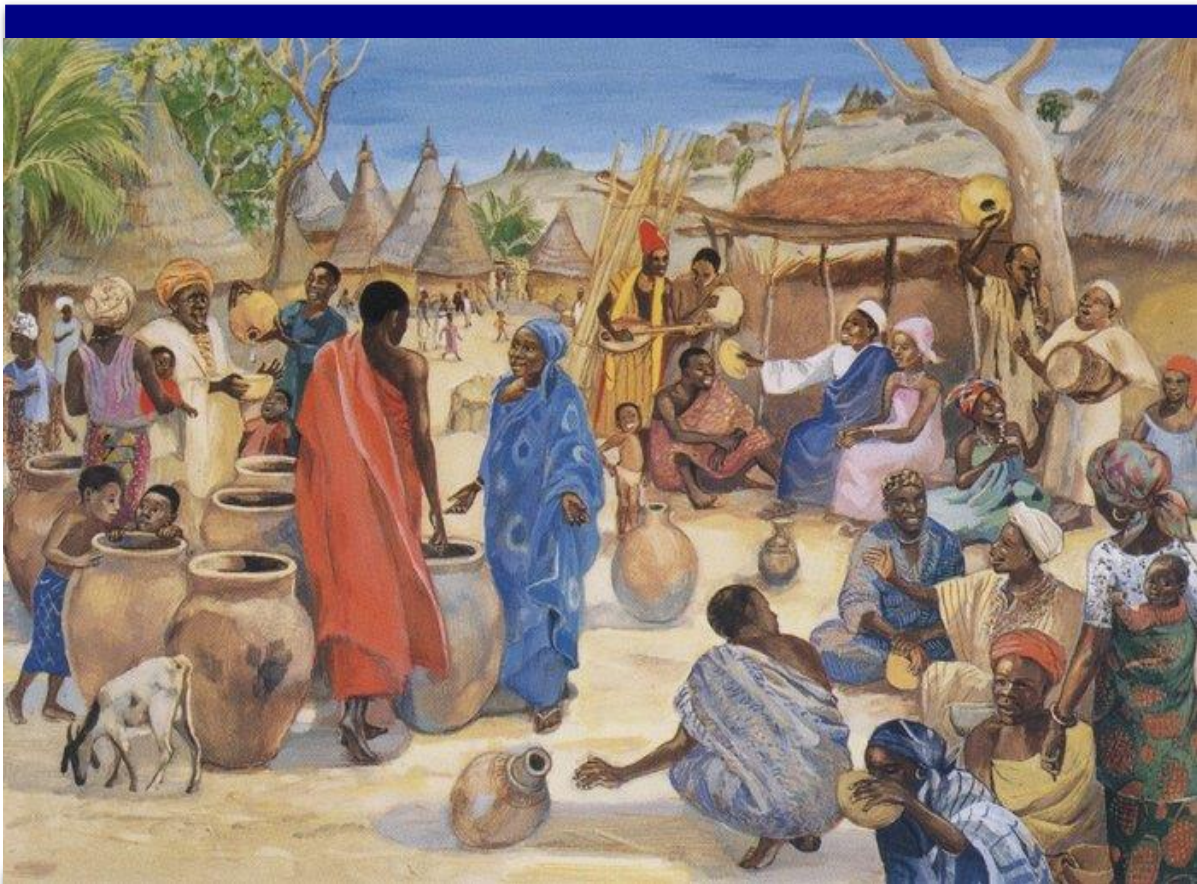




FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF
KIRKWOOD

WELCOME TO WORSHIP
January 19, 2025, at 11:00 a.m.
The Second Sunday after Epiphany

Mission: We are called to be a welcoming and supportive community whose inspiring worship of God encourages everyone to deepen their faith and to respond to the needs of the world with the compassion of Christ.



JESUS MAFA. The Wedding at Cana, from *Art in the Christian Tradition*, a project of the Vanderbilt Divinity Library, Nashville, TN

ORDER OF WORSHIP

_____ ***Please rise in body or in spirit.** _____

Chiming of the Hour

We encourage you to quiet your minds and hearts for worship at this time.

Welcome and Announcements

Sign the Friendship Register at the end of your pew and pass it to your neighbor.

Organ Voluntary

“From God I Will Not Turn” (BWV 658)

J.S. Bach

WE ADDRESS OURSELVES TO GOD

*Call to Worship

Leader: This is a new day filled with fresh possibilities.

People: We gather to participate in the new things God is doing.

Leader: Old ways and tired routines are left behind.

People: Our God comes to us in unexpected ways and refreshes all who join the adventure.

Leader: Those who claim sophistication and power may miss the movement of the eternal.

People: All who give up their pretenses will find unusual opportunities.

Leader: Let us together explore the wonders of God.

All: Create in us clean hearts, O God, and renew our spirits.

* Processional Hymn

“Here in This Place”

Hymn #401

*Prayer of Confession (Unison)

God, some days we don't even have any fun. We don't have the time for fun, or the energy. We're too busy trying. Trying to get caught up. Trying to figure out our lives. Trying to become better people. God, show us that sometimes we try too hard. Teach us not to be scared to let go. Teach us to trust you. Teach us that it is okay to relax. Teach us to be gentle with ourselves, through your strong and gentle love.

*Silent Confessions

*Assurance of God's Grace

*Congregational Response "The Doxology" Hymn #606

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below,
Praise God above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.*

*The Passing of the Peace

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Let us share that peace with one another.

A Conversation with Young Disciples

All children are invited to come forward for the children's message.

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

Scripture Reading Psalm 36:5-10; Pew Bible, O.T., pg. 510

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Duet "Come to the Waters" GF Handel

*Come to the waters, all ye that thirsteth. All that hunger, come, buy and eat,
and your soul shall live. Come to the waters, he with no money. Come,
buy and eat. Come ye weary, and your soul shall live. Incline your ear and
hear me, and your soul shall live in peace. Ye shall have great joy and gladness,
joy and gladness shall go with thee.*

Scripture Reading John 2:1-11; Pew Bible, N.T., pg. 93

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon *Something Unexpected* Rev. Linda Maconochie

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

*Hymn "Great Is Thy Faithfulness" Hymn #39

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer (Unison)

**Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors;
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever.
Amen.**

Offertory Sentences

Offertory Duet "God Be Gracious To Us" Benjamin Rogers

*God be gracious to us and bless us, and make thy face to shine upon us,
and be merciful unto us. That thy way may be known upon the earth,
Thy saving power among all the nations. Let all thy people praise thee,
O God. Rejoice in God all ye nations, yea, let us sing his praise, let us
sing praises to God, for he doth judge all his people rightly and governs
all nations upon the earth.*

Prayer of Dedication

WE DEPART TO SERVE THE LORD

***Closing Hymn** "We All Are One in Mission" Hymn #733

*Benediction

Organ Voluntary "Carillon" Franklin Ashdown

Worship Leaders:

Rev. Linda Maconochie, *Interim Associate Pastor*
Larry Erwin, *Liturgist*

Music Ministry:

Kevin Chunko, *Music Associate*; Jon Logan and John Richey, *soloists*

Acolyte: Dagny Dunaway **Cross Bearer:** George Dunaway

Ushers: Missy Wulff, John Becker, Charlene McFarland, Terry McFarland,
Amy Freshwater, Robert Schneider, Larry Erwin

Usher Captain: Art McDonnell

Livestream Host: Teddy Lester-Boal