



Sunday, January 1, 2023
10:00 a.m.

Worshippers may write prayer requests (joys or concerns), place them in the offering plate/collection box and they will be forwarded to the Pastor

This week at First:

Wednesday, January 4, 2023
TOPS Weight Loss Support Group
Fellowship Hall, 9 a.m.

Sufficient Grace Practice
Sanctuary, 9:45 a.m.

Staff Meeting
Church office, 11 a.m.

Friday, January 6, 2023
Epiphany of the Lord

Sunday, January 8, 2023
Choir Practice, 8:45 a.m.
Choir Room



WELCOME & OPPORTUNITIES FOR MINISTRY

Rev. RJ Leek

PRELUDE

Carole Makus, Piano

CALL TO WORSHIP

**Good Christian Men Rejoice*

Sufficient Grace & Congregation

**To God Be the Glory*

Sufficient Grace & Congregation

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Responsive)

Betty Palmer, Lay Leader

Like the tax collector beating his breast
and weeping at a distance,
we, too, cry out: God have mercy on me, a sinner.

**Like Bartimaeus, we are blind beggars on the
side of the road, crying out:**

“Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me.”

Like the centurion, we don't deserve to have You come
to our homes, but we long for Your healing,
knowing if that You but say the word,
all will be well.

**And yet, You, Creator of heaven and earth,
did not hold back Your own Son
in order to liberate us from our sins and
reconcile us to yourself.**

**Like the loving father that You are, You run to us,
embracing us,
welcoming us back into Your presence.**

And amazingly, You even call us Your children,
and have promised to make Your home with us—
and to live with us forever.

**Holy Spirit, help us to abandon our sinful ways
and come home.**

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Betty Palmer, Lay Leader

In Jesus Christ, our sins are forgiven, and we
have been made right with God.
Go therefore, with the Holy Spirit, and sin no more.

PASSING OF THE PEACE

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ADVENTURE TIME

Dick Kruse

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DISCIPLES MAKING DISCIPLES

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WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING

Silent Night

Carole Makus & Cathy Bullock

Piano Duet

Rev. RJ Leek

Congregation

Betty Palmer, Lay Leader

Offertory

***Doxology**

***Prayer of Dedication**

PRAYERS FOR THE PEOPLE

Rev. RJ Leek

OUR LORD'S PRAYER

*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, for ever. Amen.*

THE SCRIPTURE

Scripture Reading – Hebrews 2: 10-18

Betty Palmer, Lay Leader

THE WORD PROCLAIMED

"Love Those That No One Else Wants to Love"

Rev. RJ Leek

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

I Wonder as I Wander

Sufficient Grace

DISTRIBUTION OF THE ELEMENTS

Rev. RJ Leek

***BENEDICTION**

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RESPONSE TO THE BENEDICTION

**Go Tell It On the Mountain*

Sufficient Grace &
Congregation

POSTLUDE

Carole Makus, Piano

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Our Purpose:

Disciples Making Disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.

Our Ministers:

The members of First Presbyterian Church.