



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
OF DRYDEN
SUNDAY, JANUARY 5, 2025

Order of Worship

Prelude "Say Once More" by Amy Grant and Gardner Cole

Welcome & Announcements

Choral Introit "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name," vv. 2, 3

Gathering Prayer

✠ Hymn "God of the Ages" #568

Welcome Friends at Home

Sharing Our Joys & Concerns

Prayers of the People

Litany of Gifts

Call: There are different gifts,

Response: *but it is the same Spirit who gives them.*

Call: There are different ways of serving God,

Response: *but it is the same Lord who is served.*

Call: God works through different people in different ways,

Response: *But it is the same God who achieves His purpose through them all.*

Installation of Officers

✠ Song "Here I Am, Lord" by Daniel L. Schutte Children's

Message

Children (PreK-5th grade) are invited to Kids' Club.

Choral Anthem "The Shepherd's Carol and In the Lonely Midnight"

by Tom Fettke & Thomas Grassi

Scripture Reading Jeremiah 31:7-14 OT p. 734

Galatians 4:4-7 NT p. 189

Message "The Family Race"

Celebrating the Lord's Supper

Invitation to the Table

This is the joyful feast of the people of God. ***Thanks be to God.***

The Lord be with you. ***And also with you.***

Lift up your hearts. ***We lift them up to the Lord.***

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. ***It is right to give our thanks and praise.***

Thanksgiving

Sharing the Bread

This is the body given and broken. *We eat it, remembering Christ our Lord.*

Sharing the Cup

When we eat this bread and drink this cup, *we proclaim the Lord's life, death, and resurrection until he comes again in glory.*

The Lord's Prayer

Giving our Gifts	"Offertory in D Major"	by Francois Couperin
✠ Doxology	"Old Hundredth"	# 625
✠ Prayer of Thanksgiving		
✠ Hymn	"In Christ There Is No East or West"	#285
✠ Blessing		
✠ Choral Benediction		
	"Thee with Tender Care I'll Cherish"	by J. S. Bach
✠ Postlude		

✠ All are invited to stand as they are able.

Credits: Prayers of the People from Homiletics Online. All other liturgy by Kimberly Bracken Long, *Feasting on the Word Worship Companion*, C1.

Welcome to our Church!

Thank you for worshipping with us

If you are a visitor, we invite you to fill out a Welcome Card, which you will find in the pew rack. You can place the card in the offering plate.

Let us know if we can assist you.

Sunday Servants

<u>Usher:</u>	The Parsons	<u>AV System:</u>	Dave & Tim Parsons
<u>Music Director:</u>	Scott Miller	<u>Organist:</u>	Michael Singbusch
<u>Kids' Club:</u>	Fran Sincerbeaux	<u>Flowers:</u>	Flower Committee
<u>Preacher:</u>	Nancy Didway	<u>Joes & Doughs:</u>	Pastor Nancy

All for the glory of God

Prayer and Praise

Our prayers are with **the people of New Orleans** as they deal with the aftermath of horrific events this past week.

Joan Van Vranken is due for surgery on her leg this coming Tuesday.

Aiden Payne continues to recover. Her family appreciates continued prayers for her recovery. Cards and notes are most welcome. But still no calls or visits, please.

Joyce Day is down with her family. Your prayers for daughter-in-law, **Robyn Day** are still needed and very much appreciated.

Our prayers are with Sue Barry's brother-in-law, **Ken Wilkins**, and Larry King's sister, **Rhonda Haftman**, both of whom are gravely ill and receiving palliative care.

Sue Barry is preparing for a brief course of radiation therapy to treat an isolated cancer recurrence. Her brother, **Arthur Barry**, is grateful for your prayers as he continues with radiation therapy.

Barb Davidson needs prayer to walk through difficult challenges in her life. She also asks for continued prayer for her son, **Tom**.

If you wish to list a prayer request,
please contact the church office at 607-844-8321
or drydenpresoffice@gmail.com.

Deacons' Prayer Circle

Alternatively, or additionally, the Deacons welcome you to share your prayer request by filling out the **Deacons' Prayer Circle** pew card and dropping it in the offering basket. Requests shared this way will not be made public or added to the bulletin unless you wish them to be.

Calendar

Sun. 01/05	9:30 a.m.	Choir
	10:30 a.m.	Worship/Installation
	11:30 a.m.	Joe & Doughs
		Choir
		Ministry Committee Meeting
Mon. 01/06	11:00 a.m.	Kitchen Cupboard
Tue. 01/07		Annual Reports Due
	10:00 a.m.	Quilters
Wed. 01/08		Bulletin Deadline
	5:00 p.m.	Kitchen Cupboard
Thu. 01/09		Session Reports Due
Fri. 01/10	11:00 a.m.	Kitchen Cupboard
Sun. 01/12	9:15 a.m.	Choir
	10:30 a.m.	Worship/Reaffirm Baptism
	11:30 a.m.	Joe & Doughs
		Choir

Ongoing Opportunities to Serve

Here are some much-needed and much-appreciated ways to serve

- ❖ **Be an usher**
- ❖ **Or a liturgist**
- ❖ **Provide a short children's message**
- ❖ **or bring flowers.**

The sign-up sheet is on the easel outside the sanctuary.

Thank you!



God of the Ages

Verse 1:

God of the ages,
History's Maker,
Planning our pathway,
Holding us fast,
Shaping in mercy
All that concerns us:
Father, we praise You,
Lord of the past.

Verse 2:

God of this morning,
Gladly Your children
Worship before You,
Trustingly bow:
Teach us to know You
Always among us,
Quietly sov'reign –
Lord of our now.

Verse 3:

God of tomorrow,
Strong Overcomer,
Princes of darkness
Own Your command:
What then can harm us?
We are Your people,
Now and forever
Kept by Your hand.

Verse 4:

Lord of past ages,
Lord of this morning,
Lord of the future,
Help us, we pray:
Teach us to trust You,
Love and obey You,
Crown You each moment
Lord of today.

Text: Margaret Clarkson

Music: *Bunessan*, Traditional Gaelic melody

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Here I Am, Lord

Verse 1:

I, the Lord of sun and sky,
I have heard My people cry.
All who dwell in dark and sin
My hand will save.
I, who made the stars of night,
I will make their darkness bright.
Who will bear My light to them?
Whom shall I send?

Refrain:

Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?
I have heard You calling in the night.
I will go, Lord, if You lead me.
I will hold Your people in my heart.

Verse 2:

I, the Lord of snow and rain,
I have borne my people's pain.
I have wept for love of them;
They turn away.
I will break their hearts of stone,
Give them hearts for love alone.
I will speak My word to them.
Whom shall I send?

Refrain

Verse 3:

I, the Lord of wind and flame,
I will tend the poor and lame.
I will set a feast for them.
My hand will save.
Finest bread I will provide
Till their hearts be satisfied.
I will give My life to them.
Whom shall I send?

Refrain

Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessing flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.
Amen.

Text: Thomas Ken

Music: Old Hundredth, Genevan Psalter, 1551; attributed to Louis Bourgeois

In Christ There Is No East or West

Verse 1:

In Christ there is no East or West,
In Him no South or North;
But one great fellowship of love
Throughout the whole wide earth.

Verse 2:

In Him shall true hearts ev'rywhere
Their high communion find;
His service is the golden cord
Close binding all mankind.

Verse 3:

Join hands then, brothers of the faith,
Whate'er your race may be;
Who serves my Father as a son
Is surely kin to me.

Verse 4:

In Christ now meet both East and West;
In Him meet South and North.
All Christly souls are one in Him
Throughout the whole wide earth.

Text: John Oxenham

Music: *St. Peter*, Alexander R. Reinagle