

# *First Presbyterian Church of Dryden*

*Established 1808*

*Sunday, February 23, 2025*  
*Guest Preacher, Gabe Carpenter*



*We proclaim the good news of Jesus Christ, feed the hungry, welcome  
the stranger, and love our neighbors as ourselves.*

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## Order of Worship

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Gathering Prayer

✠ Call to Worship                      Psalm 100 KJV

Call:                      Make a joyful noise unto the Lord, all ye lands.

Response:            **Serve the Lord with gladness:  
                                 come before His presence with singing.**

Call:                      Know ye that the Lord, He is God:

Response:            **it is He that hath made us, and not we ourselves;  
                                 we are His people, and the sheep of His pasture.**

Call:                      Enter into His gates with thanksgiving,  
                                 and into His courts with praise:

Response:            **be thankful unto Him, and bless His name.**

Call:                      For the Lord is good; His mercy is everlasting;

Response:            **and His truth endures to all generations.**

✠ Hymn                      "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"                      # 8

Prayer of Confession & Promise of Forgiveness                      [The proof of God's amazing love is this: while we were sinners, Christ died for us. Because we have faith in him, we dare to approach God with confidence. In humility, let us confess our sin before God.

***Merciful God, We confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed; by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. In your mercy, forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways to the glory of your holy name.***

***Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Amen.***

Hear the good news! This saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. He himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, that we might be dead to sin, and alive to all that is good. I declare to you in the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

***Thanks be to God.***

Welcome Friends at Home

Sharing Our Joys & Concerns

Prayers of the People & *The Lord's Prayer*

God of grace, ***hear our prayer.*** .

Children's Message "History Class"

Children (PreK-5<sup>th</sup> grade) are invited to Kids' Club.

Special Music

Scripture Reading Hebrews 11:32-40 NT p. 226

Message "Genres of Scripture – History"

✠ Hymn "They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love" #284

Giving our Gifts

✠ Doxology "Gloria Patri" #622

✠ Prayer of Thanksgiving

✠ Hymn "Alleluia" #91

✠ Blessing

✠ Postlude

✠ All are invited to stand as they are able.

Credits

All liturgy is from *The Book of Common Worship*, PCUSA.

## 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>	Fran Sincerbeaux	<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>	Virginia <u>Sireuil</u>
<u>Liturgist:</u>	Brenda Carpenter	<u>Joe &amp; Doughs:</u>	Fran Sincerbeaux
<u>Preacher:</u>	Gabe Carpenter		

*All for the glory of God.*

## *Prayer and Praise*

**Larry King** sends his greetings and says he and Ginger were glad to be here and fellowship with everyone recently. They are safely home despite their car breaking down in Virginia. He is grateful to family who came to their rescue.

A note from **Joan Van Vranken**: To the church members who mailed me get well cards after my surgery on January 7, your kind words of encouragement were uplifting during this lengthy recovery. I had a revision of the artificial hip that doctor Damron put in 19 years ago. A fall at camp caused the left leg to displace on August 3, and a second displacement on September 12 led to the replacement of all the original artificial parts except the cup.

I came home on January 24 with a number of precautions and a sizeable device around my waist and leg. Thank you for your prayers and well-wishes. Gratefully, Joan Van Vranken.

**Aiden Payne** is under hospice care. She appreciates the cards she has been receiving.

Please keep Joyce Day's daughter-in-law, **Robyn Day**, and her family in your prayers.

**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](mailto:drydenpresoffice@gmail.com).

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. 02/23	Pastor Nancy on Study leave 2/23-3/1
	9:15 a.m. Choir
	10:30 a.m. Worship
	11:30 a.m. Joe & Doughs
Mon. 02/24	11:00 a.m. Kitchen Cupboard
Tue. 02/25	10:00 a.m. Quilters
Wed. 02/26	Bulletin Deadline
	5:00 p.m. Kitchen Cupboard
Fri. 02/28	11:00 a.m. Kitchen Cupboard
Sun. 03/02	9:15 a.m. Choir
	10:30 a.m. Worship
	11:30 a.m. Joe & Doughs

### Mark Your Calendars

Lent Bible Study starts Tuesday, March 4th.

Join us in the Church Library or on Zoom as we watch and discuss  
*The Chosen*, Season 1.

**Tuesdays at 11 am—12:30 pm**

**March 4—April 22**

*Lunch provided. Bring your own beverage.*

### Protect yourself from flu and covid . . .



Flu and Covid continue to spread locally.

Hand sanitizers and masks are available on the table in the Fellowship Hall.

## Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

### Verse 1:

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!  
O my soul, praise Him, for He is thy health and salvation!  
All ye who hear,  
Now to His temple draw near;  
Join me in glad adoration!

### Verse 2:

Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth,  
Shelters thee under His wings, yes, so gently sustaineth!  
Hast thou not seen  
How all thy longings have been  
Granted in what He ordaineth?

### Verse 3:

Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy work and defend thee;  
Surely His goodness and mercy here daily attend thee.  
Ponder anew  
What the Almighty can do,  
If with His love He befriend thee.

### Verse 4:

Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore Him!  
All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before Him.  
Let the Amen  
Sound from His people again:  
Gladly for aye we adore Him  
Amen.

Text: Joachim Neander; translated by Catherine Winkworth

Music: *Lobe den Herren, Stralsund Gesangbuch*, 1665

# They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love

Verse 1:

We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord,  
We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord,  
And we pray that all unity may one day be restored:

Refrain:

And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love,  
Yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.

Verse 2:

We will walk with each other, we will walk hand in hand,  
We will walk with each other, we will walk hand in hand,  
And together we'll spread the news that God is in our land:

Refrain

Verse 3:

We will work with each other, we will work side by side,  
We will work with each other, we will work side by side,  
And we'll guard each one's dignity and save each one's pride:

Refrain

Verse 4:

All praise to the Father, from whom all things come,  
And all praise to Christ Jesus, His only Son,  
And all praise to the Spirit, who makes us one:

Refrain



## Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father,  
And to the Son,  
And to the Holy Ghost:  
As it was in the beginning,  
Is now and ever shall be,  
World without end.  
Amen, Amen.

Text: *Gloria Patri*; Traditional, 2<sup>nd</sup> century  
Music: *Meineke*, Christoph Meineke

# Alleluia

Verse 1:

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia,  
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Verse 2:

He's my Savior...

Verse 3:

He is worthy...

Verse 4:

I will praise Him...

Text and Music: *Alleluia*, Jerry Sinclair

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