

# FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

December 26, 2010



# *The Names of God: Emmanuel*

Our mission is: To grow in the knowledge and love of our Lord Jesus Christ, and to make Him known in our community and the world.

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# SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

8:30 AM

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*A nursery is available during the service. We will be happy to assist you in finding your way.  
Large print Bibles and hymnals are available in the rear of the room.*

## Gathering around the Word of God

Songs of Praise

Welcome and Announcements

## Encountering the Word

First Reading

Romans 10: 9-15

Sermon Reading

Matthew 1: 18-25

Sermon

“and you shall call his name Emmanuel”

## Responding to the Word

Offering

Celebration of the Lord's Supper

Song of Response

Charge and Benediction

# SERMON NOTES

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**and you shall call his name Emmanuel”**

**Matthew 1: 18-25**

**ORGAN PRELUDE**

The Birthday of the King

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS  
MOMENTS OF FRIENDSHIP**

**CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP**

Come Into His Presence Singing Jesus is Born!

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

Bill Shriver, Liturgist

Liturgist: Hear our cries, O God;

**People: listen to our prayers.**

Liturgist: From the ends of the earth we call to you.

**People: we call as our hearts grow faint.**

Liturgist: For you have been our refuge,

**People: a strong tower against the foe.**

Liturgist: We long to dwell in your presence forever,

**People: and take refuge in the shelter of your wings.**

Liturgist: We will ever sing in praise of your name

**People: and fulfill our vows day after day.**

Liturgist: Let us pray.

**PRAYER OF PRAISE**

**\*HYMN No. 41**

O Come, All Ye Faithful

**\*CONFESSION OF SIN** *(In Unison)*

Lord Jesus, we confess our need of you and your cleansing. We have erred and strayed from your ways like lost sheep. We have not kept your holy law. We have called out to other names for peace, for comfort and for hope. Please have mercy on us. Restore us, Renew us, Remake us as we call out to you.  
*(Let each worshipper pray silently)*

**\*ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

**\*GLORIA PATRI** *(The Hymnal, No. 579)*

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.

**FIRST LESSON:** Romans 10: 9-15 (Pew Bible, NT page 802; Lg. Print page 1760)

Liturgist: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

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**CHILDREN'S MOMENT**

Kyle Peters

*(Children in grades K-3 will be dismissed to Our Chapel-Children's Church)*

**ANTHEM**

Infant Holy

**SECOND LESSON:** Psalm 61 (Pew Bible, OT page 409; Lg. Print page 897)

Liturgist: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**\*HYMN No. 38**

It Came Upon a Midnight Clear

**SERMON LESSON:** Matthew 1: 18-25 (Pew Bible, NT page 681, Lg. Print page 1497)

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**SERMON**

“and you shall call his name Emmanuel”

Rev. Jonathan Fetting

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

Apostles Creed (traditional)

(Page 14-in the hymn book)

**OFFERTORY**

I Heard the Bells on Christmas Day

**GIVING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

**\*PRESENTATION, The Doxology** (The Hymnal, No. 592)

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below;**

**Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

**PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

**\*HYMN No. 28**

God Christian Friends, Rejoice

**\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

**\* CHORAL BENEDICTION**

Our God a Gift Has Given!

**\*POSTLUDE**

The First Noel

**\*Those who are able, please stand**

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

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**CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL GRADES K-5 INFANTS AND TODDLER NEWS.** If you are willing to volunteer to help in childcare on Sunday mornings, please see Carly Haas.

## **CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL GRADES K-5**

There will be no Sunday School for children in grades K-5 on December 26th. Class will resume Sunday, January 2nd.

### **WELCOME**

It is no accident you are worshiping here today. God's Spirit has led you to this place at this time to meet and be met by God, and you have responded. First Presbyterian Church is a fellowship of faith, a spiritual community of people who put their trust in Jesus Christ as Savior and desire to serve Him as Lord.

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

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**SHUT IN** If you are a shut in, or know of a shut in who would enjoy having communion, please contact the church office with your name, address and the best time of day for a visit. There are friends who are willing and anxious to come to you to share the sacraments

**FACEBOOK** The First Presbyterian Facebook page is an online resource that helps the church and its members and friends to interact and stay informed about events and news. Join more than 80 people who "Like" First Presbyterian Church of Mount Vernon, Ohio at [www.facebook.com](http://www.facebook.com). Post comments, photos, videos and more.

**TREASURER** As many of you know, Bob Meldrum, our church treasurer will be wintering in Florida and his last day in the office is Monday, December 27th. If you need to conduct church year end financial business, please keep this date in mind. While Bob is away, Holly will be in the office and will be able to help you with any questions that you may have.

**ALTER FLOWERS** Did you ever wonder who is responsible for keeping our sanctuary beautified with lovely alter flowers week after week? We are blessed to have two florist who are members and they take yearly turns providing us with this gift. This year our thanks go to Dan Nagy of the Flower Basket. He has made sure we had alter flowers all year long and arranged the Easter and Christmas flowers for us. Starting in January, it will be Jackie Craigo of Paul's Flowers and she will do the same. Our heartfelt thanks goes out to both of them for the amazing job that they do for us.

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# INVITATIONS

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## **Congregational & Corporate Annual Meeting 10:30am – January 23, 2011 In the Fellowship Hall**

The Session of First Presbyterian Church has scheduled a Congregational & Corporate Annual Meeting on Sunday, January 23, 2011 at 10:30am, for the purpose of receiving the Annual Report, updating and revising the Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws/Regulations and to transact any other appropriate business. The meeting will be held during the Fellowship Breakfast that is also scheduled for that morning.

**Annual Report: All ministries of First Presbyterian Church, including committees, teams and special functions are invited to submit a written report to the Church office for inclusion in the Annual Report to the Congregation. In order to provide sufficient time for publication, reports that are hand written must be submitted not later than January 10. If the report is word processed (please use Microsoft Word), please email to the church office not later than January 14.** When using word processing, please do not use any imbedded commands. Imbedded commands make it very difficult for the Administrative Assistant to properly format the report. If you have questions, please contact Holly in the Church office. Reports should include information that demonstrates how this Church is fulfilling our Mission “To grow in the knowledge and love of our Lord Jesus Christ and make Him known in our community and the world.”

**Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws/Regulations Revision:** The Session has done a thorough review of the Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws/Regulations of The First Presbyterian Church of Mount Vernon, Ohio USA, Ohio Corporation #268584, and determined it is time to do a revision. The revision will bring the business practices of the Church into compliance with the Book of Order, Presbyterian Church of the USA and with actual practice and traditions of this Church. The complete text of the proposed revision will be mailed to all active members of First Presbyterian Church prior to the meeting on January 23.

If you wish to suggest additional items for the agenda at the Annual Meeting January 23, please submit them to Clerk of Session William Shriver not later than January 7 so the active Elders can take action at their regularly scheduled Session meeting.

# INVITATIONS

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## Moms2Moms Update!

Moms2Moms is in need of volunteers from our congregation! Would you be available to volunteer at our meetings once or twice a month to help serve & clean up after snack or to help provide care for the children in our nursery? This group is a wonderful service to mothers of young children in our community, and the hour of kid-free time they get twice a month at our meetings is invaluable! Please contact Amber at 740-501-1340 or [ambervander@yahoo.com](mailto:ambervander@yahoo.com) if you are willing to help in these ways, even if it is on a one time basis!



Moms2Moms has decided to move it's meeting time back by half an hour in the New Year in hopes that more moms will be able to attend. Meetings will be held on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of every month (starting January 11th) at 9:30 am in the Fellowship Hall. Please invite friends, family members, and neighbors who are mothers of babies and preschoolers! All are welcome.

# DEACON'S PRAYER AND COMPASSION

"... pray for each other so that you may be healed ..." James 5:16

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## Members & Friends Of Our Church Family

### At the Ohio Eastern Star Home

Linda Fox      Katherine Garzieri  
Maxine Peters    Martha Warden  
Edith Whitney (*Sally Martin's grandmother*)

### Autumn Health Care

Helen and Everett Chrisman

### Country Court Nursing Center

Jean Fribley

### The Living Center

Myra Philpott

### At Home

Rebecca and Ruth Grove  
Treva Haltermon  
Ellen Proper  
Dorothy White

### In the Military

Jacob and Curtis Hahn-USMC-Afghanistan –  
(Moreland's nephews)  
Brian Short- USMC-Afghanistan  
Matt Patterson-USN (*son of Polly Patterson*)

## Members & Friends Of Our Church Family

### Special Prayer Concerns

Jerry and Mary Ellen Baugher (*Jerry-cancer*)  
Madeleine Blamer (kidney- Weil's granddaughter)  
Darla Brown (*Niece of Sally Conway*)  
Anna Beall Carson (*friend of B. Phillippi*)  
Keith Burley (*friend of B. Phillippi*)  
Glen DeBoard (*Liver Cancer*)  
John Ewalt  
Tom Hall (*cancer-friend of the Stone family*)  
Marilee Harrison (*Surgery*)  
Jennifer Hatton (*Tyson's granddaughter*)  
Kathy Lapp *surgery*  
Jackie Lehr  
Reverend and Mrs. Markle (*friends of Toby Lord*)  
Beth Middlemus (*Jo Richardson's sister*)  
Matt Palmer (*Lung Cancer-friend of Sally Martin*)  
Barbara Reitsma  
Robert Kidder (*Polly Patterson's Father*)  
Harriet Sells (*T. Lord's family*)  
Red Shaw (*cancer*)  
Lindsay Smith (*Crohns disease*)  
Jason Southern (*malig.tumor-V. Donnelly cousin*)  
Kirk Swartz (*cancer- Ketner's nephew*)  
Marilyn Weil (recovering from surgery)  
Misty Whitmann (*Lupus-Family of Shillito's*)  
Bertha Wright (*heart attack-Kevin Wright's mom*)

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## SERVING TODAY

- Ushers** at the 11:00 AM Worship Hour include: Jan Watson, Carol Payne, Ben Stultz, Joan Mann, Betty Phillippi.
- At the **Sound Booth** is Tom Van Voorhis.
- Welcoming you at the **Fellowship Table** (8:30 AM)    Carole and Mike Conway  
(11:00 AM)    Karen and Bill Shriver
- Closing** is Charlie Reitsma.                      **Kitchen Help** Carole Conway
- Prayer Partners** include Marcia and John Bibart, Marilyn Gibler and Charlie Reitsma..
- Sacramental Host** is Dave Paxton.
- Serving Communion** Communion is served on the first Sunday of the month in the 11 a.m. service and communion by intinction is served every Sunday in the 8:30 a.m. service.

# CALENDAR

## Sunday, December 26

Please join us for Fellowship Time in Fellowship Hall. Times for fellowship are 8:15 to 8:30, 9:30 to 9:45 , 10:45 to 11 and at 12 noon.

- 7:30 AM      Worship Team Practice – *Fellowship Hall*
- 8:30 AM      Child Care—Available until Noon *Room 102 Christian Education Building*
- 8:30 AM      Contemporary Worship—*Fellowship Hall*
- 9:55 AM      Church School-*For Adults*
- 9:45 AM      Chancel Choir Practice
- 11:00 AM     Worship Hour – *Sanctuary*
- 6:00 PM      Sr. High Fellowship

## Monday, December 27

- 5:30 PM      Hot Meals
- 7:00 PM      Cub Scouts

## Tuesday, December 28

- 12:00 PM     Men’s Brown Bag Bible Study – *Church Kitchen*
- 6:00 PM      Prayer Meeting- *Prayer Room*
- 7:00 PM      Committee Meetings-Missions
- 7:00 PM      Boy Scouts

## Wednesday, December 29

- 6:00 PM      Hand Bell Practice
- 7:00 PM      Worship Team Practice & Chancel Choir

## Thursday, December 30

- 9:30 AM      Women’s Bible Study– *Parlor*
- 11:00 AM     Bridge—*Fellowship Hall*
- 12:00 PM     AA Group Meeting– *Room 103*
- 6:00 PM      Jr. High Fellowship

**Friday**-Office closed for the New Year’s holiday.

# GETTING TO KNOW US...

## First Presbyterian Church

106 North Gay Street  
Mount Vernon, OH 43050

### Church Office Hours:

Monday through Friday, 9 – 3 PM

**Phone:** (740) 393-1326

**Fax:** (740) 393-1321

**Website:** [www.mtvpres.org](http://www.mtvpres.org)

### Email addresses:

Holly Bredefeld - [office@mtvpres.org](mailto:office@mtvpres.org)

Rev. Jonathan Fettig - [pastor@mtvpres.org](mailto:pastor@mtvpres.org)

Kyle Peters - [youth@mtvpres.org](mailto:youth@mtvpres.org)

### Sunday service times are as follows:

8:30 a.m. Contemporary Worship

9:45 a.m. Christian Education

(Sunday school) for all ages

11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship

## Church Staff

*Administrative Assistant*.....Holly Bredefeld

*Childcare Attendant*..... Carly Haas

*Childcare Attendant*..... Jordan Buchanan

*Church Treasurer* ..... Bob Meldrum

*Custodian*..... Kevin Jones

*Choir Director* ..... Virginia Cameron

*Contemporary Worship Leader*..... Eric Stetler

*Dir. of Youth & Family Ministries*..... Kyle Peters

*Ministers*..... The Congregation

*Interim Organist* ..... Margaret Van Sickle

*Pastor* ..... Rev. Jonathan P. Fettig

**SESSION:** The Session consists of the Pastor and Active elders and is responsible for the ministry, mission, and government of the church. *Moderator:* Rev. Jonathan Fettig *Clerk of Session:* Bill Shriver

Class of 2011 include Mary Crumm, Deborah Curran, John Denzer, Georgene Risko.

Class of 2012 include Laura Abell, Charlie Reitsma, Bill Shriver, Brett Wiley.

Class of 2013 include Amy Camillo, George Stone, David Paxton, Eric Vanderhoof.

**DEACONS:** The ministry of a deacon is one of sympathy, witness, and service, after the example of Jesus Christ. Deacons minister to those in need: to the sick, the friendless, and anyone who may be in distress. Deb Curran is the Elder Shepherd for Deacon Ministry.

**Visitation:** John Bibart, Joan and Jerry Mann, Carole Conway

**Griefshare:** Anne Meldrum

**Prayer Partners:** Deb Paxton

**Hospitality:** Penny Sajkowsky

**Hot Meals:** Jan Watson

**BHS Deacon:** Polly Patterson

**Youth Ministry:** Monica Eutsey and Kim Reitsma

**Newsletter:** Ellen Eastman

**Members:** A faithful member accepts Christ's call to be involved responsibly in Christ's Church. Such involvement includes: worship, joining in fellowship, growing in discipleship, evangelism/mission and ministry.