

*St. Paul’s PrMessesbyterian Church*

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Feb 2,2025

Interim Moderator: Rev. Robert Lyle

Clerk of Session: Jan Alchorn

Music Director: Linda Giddens

Today’s Speaker Rev. Dr. Brad Little

Feb 2,25 The Fourth Sunday after Epiphany

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

OUR APPROACH TO GOD

Prelude and Greeting

Responsive Call to Worship:

O Lord, in you we find refuge;

Let us never be put to shame.  
Turn your ear to us, O God, and save us.  
For you are our rock and our fortress.

God has been our hope and our trust from our earliest days.

God has been with us since we were born from our mother’s womb.

Let us sing out our praise of God’s steadfast love.   
We will offer Him all glory and honour this day and always!

Worship in Music:    SoG 25  – Love Lifted Me

Prayers of Approach and Confession:

Almighty and everlasting Lord, Your power is incomparable, Your majesty infinite, and Your love beyond our imagining. You are hidden in mystery, and yet so present. In a hectic world, You are peace and rest. In a harsh world, You are tenderness and mercy. In the cold and dark of winter, You are light and comfort, and so we bring You our worship, for You are the One who created us, the One who redeems us, and the One who gives us life, our one and only God, to whom we offer all love and loyalty, now and always. Your loving kindness endures forever, so we confess to You our sin:

God, whose very name is love, we confess our faults and failings, knowing You know us through and through. You tell us that love is patient and kind, and You know when our patience and kindness fall short. You tell us love is never rude or selfish, and You see the times we insist on our own way. Forgive us the excuses we make to ourselves when our love falters. Strengthen us by your Spirit so that our love is genuine and reliable. Through Christ our Lord we pray.  Amen.

Assurance of Pardon:

God is compassionate and gracious, slow to anger, abounding in love. As high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is God’s love; as far as the east is from the west, so far has He removed our sins. Thanks be to God whose love and forgiveness are steadfast. May we be steadfast in our forgiveness of one another.

Worship in Music: BoP 233 - Love divine, all loves excelling

GOD’S WORD FOR HIS PEOPLE

First Reading: 1 Corinthians 13:1-13 Pg.813

Responsive Reading:  Psalm 71:1-6

1 In you, Lord, I have taken refuge; let me never be put to shame.

2 In your righteousness, rescue me and deliver me; turn your ear to me and save me.

3 Be my rock of refuge, to which I can always go; give the command to save me, for you are my rock and my fortress.

4 Deliver me, my God, from the hand of the wicked, from the grasp of those who are evil and cruel.

5 For you have been my hope, Sovereign Lord, my confidence since my youth.

6 From birth I have relied on you; you brought me forth from my mother’s womb. I will ever praise you.

Third Readings: Luke 4:21-30 Pg.727

Sermon:  “The Essential Ingredient”

OUR RESPONSE TO THE WORD

Worship in Music:   SoG  129 - Jesus Loves Even Me

Offering and Offertory

The Doxology and Offertory Prayer

Prayers of God’s People and The Lord’s Prayer

Confession of Faith: BP 616 - The Apostles Creed

Worship in Music: BoP 374 - Jesus calls us; o’er the tumult

Benediction and Choral Amen

Announcements:

The annual congregational meeting will be held on Thursday, Feb13th starting with a potluck lunch at 12 noon.

**MISSION MOMENT: Feb 2**

For more than 75 years, the church and PWS&D have been dedicated to serving those in need across the globe. In collaboration with our partners, we are creating meaningful change in our shared world. Working together, we support the poor, the sick and the marginalized, strive to restore dignity, relieve suffering, and empower communities that thrive through cooperation. Guided by faith, we are called to walk alongside those we serve—advocating for equality, sustainability, human dignity, peace, and care for God’s creation. Together, we are working toward a future that is sustainable, compassionate and just.

**Upcoming Services**

Feb 9 - Maryann Skinner

Feb 16 -Bob Lyle -PWS&D Sunday

Feb 23 -Brad Little - Fellowship

Mar 3 – Maryann Skinner