

*St. Paul’s PrMessesbyterian Church*

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January 19,2025

Interim Moderator: Rev. Robert Lyle

Clerk of Session: Jan Alchorn

Music Director: Linda Giddens

Today’s Speaker Rev. Maryann Skinner

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

OUR APPROACH TO GOD

Prelude and Greeting

Responsive Call to Worship:

One: How precious is God’s steadfast love!

All: We will find refuge in the shelter of God’s wings.  
One: Come and feast on God’s abundance.  
All: We will drink from the river of God’s delights.  
One: For with God is the fountain of life;

All: And in God’s light we will see light.

One: Let us worship God with joy and thanksgiving!

All: We will bring God our prayers and our praise with hearts full of love.

Worship in Music: Amazing grace BoP403 *(Sung to New Britain)*

Opening Prayer & Prayer of Confession:

God of light and life, you shine into our lives in your Son, Jesus. Your Spirit strengthens us to face whatever this year will hold. And so we come to praise you for your love and grace which transforms our days and our lives, and for your wisdom which enlightens truth for our times.

Shine through us, we pray, so that we may bear the light of Jesus in this world you love.

To begin again with you and one another, we confess to you our sins. God of all life and our lives, we gather in worship week by week, seeking your refreshing presence. But we confess sometimes we are discouraged by things happening around us. We don’t expect your presence to make a difference for us. Forgive us when we give up on you and end up feeling unfulfilled. By your grace, refresh us when we are weary or worried, and renew our trust in you.

Assurance of Forgiveness

Worship in Music: Great is Thy faithfulness BoP 85

GOD’S WORD FOR HIS PEOPLE

Responsive Reading: Psalm 34:1-18 BoP 631

## Scripture Reading: John 2: 1-11 Pg.864

Worship in Music: Immortal, invisible BoP 70

Sermon: For Love’s Sake

OUR RESPONSE TO THE WORD

Offering and Offertory

The Doxology and Offertory Prayer

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

Confession of Faith: Apostles Creed BoP 616

Worship in Music: In Christ there is no east or west BoP 389 *(sung to St. Peter)*

Benediction and Choral Amen

Postlude

Announcements:

There will be a joint meeting with Session and Finance Committee on Monday, January 27th at 1:00 p.m.

Message from Susan Mattinson to all: I just wanted to send a thank you note for the Visa gift card that the church gave me! It was very generous and so helpful for purchasing some of my textbooks for school this term!

Blessings,

Susan

**MISSION MOMENT: Sunday, January 19**

Last summer, twelve young adults from PCC and UCC partner churches in Canada, the Korean Christian Church in Japan, the Presbyterian Church in the Republic of Korea, and the Presbyterian Church in Taiwan met together to share their lives, cultures, and the present social context of the church in their home countries. Exploring both common and unique challenges, they developed a workshop for the *uplift2024: Audacious Faith* conference. Through worship, study, and recreation, a deep sense of connection developed across languages and cultures. This global ecumenical learning community gathered for 9 days at Brock University, ending with their participation at *uplift2024: Audacious Faith*. Gifts to Presbyterians Sharing help strengthen long-standing church partnerships by fostering ecumenical understanding and meaningful connections among a new generation of leaders.

**Upcoming Services**

Jan 26 – Bob Lyle (Fellowship Sunday)

Feb 2 - Brad Little

Feb 9 - Maryann Skinner

Feb 16 -Bob Lyle -PWS&D Sunday