

A Message From Pastor Jay

**SUNDAY WORSHIP 10:30 AM
NURSERY AND SUNDAY SCHOOL 10:30AM**

**COMMUNION WILL BE AVAILABLE BEFORE WORSHIP STARTING AT 10AM
AND AFTER WORSHIP AS WELL**

"Come and See" Philip said to Nathanael (John 1:29-42) We continue the season of Epiphany - meaning manifestation - the manifestation of Christ to the Gentiles as the Magi represent (Matthew 2:1-12). It is also a season that sheds light on Jesus as the Christ, and a season that shines a light on us, giving us epiphanies that change us. We will share personal examples of times we changed our minds about beliefs or matters of our faith after doing our own research. I have several examples to share - rapture, women's ordination, LGBTQ. And on this MLK, JR. weekend, my changing view of the extent of racism in my country.

The Super Bowl is coming to Arizona - what connection do the Super Bowl and the MLK, Jr. holiday share in Arizona?

**NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING: SUNDAY, JANUARY 29
CONGREGATION ANNUAL MEETING AND POTLUCK MEAL
AFTER WORSHIP**

**ANNUAL MEETING IN-PERSON OR ZOOM AT 12:15 PM
ZOOM INVITE WILL BE SENT JAN. 25**

**VOTING ON THE SLATE OF OFFICERS AND 2023 BUDGET WILL BE DONE IN-
PERSON OR BY ZOOM**

**MAIL IN BALLOTS ARE AVAILABLE FOR THOSE WHO CANNOT ATTEND
PLEASE EMAIL FCCPRESCOTT@GMAIL.COM OR CALL THE CHURCH OFFICE:
928-445-4555**

Our past worship services are now on the website! Click on the "past worship services" link on the opening page of the website and you will find all the services back to January of 2020! Thanks to Jim for letting us use his YouTube channel for easy access.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SATURDAY, JANUARY 14, 10AM - ZOOM FAITH FORUM
THE BOOK OF ACTS

Spanish Lessons
Starting Thursday January 26
6:45 - 7:45

Specific location in the church TBA

No text necessary but we will be taking material from the following 2 books
that you may purchase.

Yavapai College bookstore
Puntos en breve (for Spanish 1)
Amazon
Living Language Conversational Spanish
Hope to see you there!

**TWO DONATION BOXES ARE ALWAYS PRESENT AT THE FRONT OF THE
SANCTUARY FOR THE COMMUNITY CUPBOARD AND DISCOVERY
GARDENS PRESCHOOL**

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. WEEK EVENTS



Martin Luther King Committee

— *'Love in Action'* —

Prescott Martin Luther King Jr. Day Events:

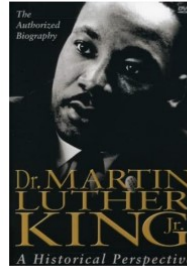
Monday, January 16th

10:00 am: March around the Courthouse
Square ~ Prescott College Welcome Center

11:00 am: Celebration Program ~ Prescott
United Methodist Church

Tuesday, January 17th

5:00 – 7:00 pm: Viewing
and discussion of
'Dr. Martin Luther King,
Jr.: A Historical
Perspective' ~ Prescott
Library Founders Room



WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 18, 5:30PM PERKINS HALL
MLK, JR. WEEK EVENT WITH DEWEY CHURCH
VIEWING OF "THE COLOR OF FEAR"

JANUARY MISSION NEWS

MONTHLY FOCUS: This month's Mission Outreach project is our local **Prescott Community Cupboard (PCC)**. Individuals and families receive nutritionally balanced bags of food packed by volunteers from various churches and organizations in the surrounding areas.

We are grateful for our team members from First Congregational Church who faithfully serve for appointed dates throughout the year. Angela Imbierowicz is our team captain, assisted by Lee Danaher. If you are interested in volunteering as a packer, please contact either Angela (708) 712-1448 or Lee (602) 509-4893 both of whom also serve on the PCC Board of Directors.

Prescott Community Cupboard "recognizes the innate worth of every human being and accepts people as they are and seeks to assist them in receiving necessary food to support their daily nutritional needs. Our support is designed to provide supplemental food to residents in Yavapai County experiencing food insecurity."

Seven local churches founded the **Prescott Community Cupboard** in 1973 as a temporary food source for the Prescott area. It was designated as a 501(c)3 non-profit organization in 1981. Six of the original founding churches continue to support Community Cupboard after more than 45 years.

Donation checks can be made payable to the church, with the memo **PCC**.
As always, thank you for remembering that we are blessed to be a blessing (Genesis 12:2).
Mission Outreach Committee members are Patty Gard, Carolyn Christians, and Becky Bryant, chairperson. If you would like to serve with us, or have any other outreach matters to discuss, please contact Becky at (928) 910-2820 or bekybryant2255@gmail.com.

CHURCH VISION 2023

What do you wish us to be:

I love the Sat. classes, but don't have time right now. Linda Moore
Always still be open to all- James Olney
The sermons are awesome- keep up the good teaching
Loving, open community
Continue to be open to all. Maybe host community events with live music in Perkins, soup kitchen, coffee house, coat/clothing drive
Continue "before church" Sunday School for adults
Find ways to welcome young people from Launch Pad intentionally/ Plan activities & gatherings with other churches

What do you want us to do:

Service opportunity, Vibrant prayer ministry, Some newer & more contemporary worship songs- more variety of old and new
Nurture relationships with other/minority congregations or other faiths (eg Jewish, Muslim, Indigenous
Does CCJ need support in furnishing the living spaces they find for folks?
Coffee House- Melissa
Rent out rooms to outside groups
Car wash
More community involvement, better use of kitchen- use more often for various groups
Rummage sale/donate what is left
Clothing drive
Pancake breakfast
Do we support any local social worker or social service groups with giving critical times off like Christmas, Birthday, or the children of families
"Eat with Eight" where couples/individuals sign up to host dinners- David and Edie, Linda and Laura
July 4th pancake breakfast
Small group get-togethers for dinner or other meet ups
More activities for kids, music, performances, Christian education, youth group, Sunday school for older elementary age
Sandbags for 2 downstairs classrooms, fallout shelters, water and snacks for 7-10 days for 20 people- JD
Sponsor an immigrant family

Adult class at 9:30am Sunday mornings
Sandbags for basement windows
More involvement with CCF and PCCFP
Consider partnering with Great Hearts school in rural communities- Aimee Anderson (573) 298-5466
Christmas Pageant with kids
Painting workshop and/or art tour
I'm wanting to re start a prayer group that meets maybe twice a month/ no financial impact – Sandy Z.
In home small group bible study
½ day retreats for women, men and kids
More mid-week gatherings
Rent kitchen to local people for use as commissary
I'd like to see more Christian in the form of weekly classes. Subject matters like forgiveness, spirituality, grieving
More outreach to find ways to invite more kids/ young people/families
Secret Santa – people can sign up if they want to participate and then get assigned to get someone a gift. Andrea will organize!
Outreach focus and organization through volunteers
Find ways to connect with people in need to offer help directly (food, clothing, housing)
I would like to have communion before Sunday school so kids can have communion- Winnie
More small group/weeknight fellowship or study discussions/ or just for fun
Start looking forward to the kids growing. More education/service based activities
Game night

BULLETIN FOR SUNDAY

SECOND SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

January 15, 2023

10:30 a.m.

**Those who are able may stand*

GATHERING TO WORSHIP GOD

Prelude: "Gather Us In" by Marty Haugen

Groupe du Jour

Words of Welcome – Announcements - *Passing of the Peace

Gather Song: "Enter, Rejoice, and Come In"

Groupe du Jour

*Hymn: "Amen, Amen"

New Century Hymnal #161

A Time for Children Of All Ages (Jesus Loves Me, This I Know) – JJ & Ziggy

(Children are welcome to go downstairs for Sunday school after the children's time)

Responsive Call to Worship

Pete Norum

Leader: Our God has made us to be One Body with many members.

All: United and uniting: This is our calling.

Leader: God calls us to share our diverse gifts, activated by the one and same Spirit
All: United and uniting: This is our redemption.

Leader: God longs for us to be united in love and to manifest the Spirit in our different ways.

All: United and uniting. This is our worship.

Leader: Let us gather in this hour to offer praise and worship to our Holy God, who challenges us and calls us to create the Beloved Community Let us worship God!

Invocation

Pete Norum

O God, all people are your Beloved, across races, nationalities, religions, sexual orientations and all the ways we are distinctive from one another. We are all manifestations of your image We are bound together in an inescapable network of mutuality and tied to a single garment of destiny. You call us into your unending work of justice, peace and love. Let us know your presence among us now: Let us delight in our diversity that offers glimpses of the mosaic of your beauty. Strengthen us with your steadfast love and transform our despairing fatigue into hope-filled action. Under the shadow of your wings in this hour may we find rest and strength renewal and hope. We ask this, inspired by the example of your disciple, Martin Luther King, Jr. and in Jesus' name. Amen.

PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

Gospel Reading: John 1:29-42

Pete Norum

*Hymn: "Dream God's Dream"

Sing! Prayer and Praise #120

Sermon: "Come and See"

RESPONDING TO GOD'S GRACE

Anthem: "Psalm 40: Here I Am" by Rory Cooney

Groupe du Jour

Prayers of the People & The Lord's Prayer

Offering of Ourselves and our Gifts

Offertory: "There's a Spirit of Love in this Place" by Mark A. Miller/Brian Moore/Thomas Porter

*Doxology

Brian Moore

Praise God the source of life and breath; Praise Christ, now born to conquer death; Praise Holy Spirit's mystery: One God, pure grace, who sets us free. Amen. (Tune: Old Hundred)

*Prayer of Dedication

Pete Norum

O God, we commit to use all our gifts--wisdom, knowledge, teaching, faith, healing, mercy, encouragement, evangelism, prophecy, discernment, administration, helping, hospitality, and

giving—in the service of acting as co-workers with you and each other for peace and justice to flow like a mighty stream. Amen.

*Hymn: “I Am the Light of the World”

New Century Hymnal #584

*Benediction

Pastor Jay

*Postlude: “Hallelujah! We Sing Your Praises” South African Spiritual
Brian Moore/T. Porter

TREASURER REPORT

A NOTE FROM THE TREASURER – JULIE MCCURDY

2022 Year-End Report from the Treasurer

Year-end total contributions: \$154,023

Year-end total expenses: \$151,149

Net Income for 2022: \$2,875

SUPPORT THE CHURCH

Online – go to our website: www.fccprescott.org and look for the tab on the front page You can set up regular, ongoing giving or one-time giving.

Use your credit card and get some points!

Your bank may have free online bill pay. You find the tab on your online account, fill in the details of the check as you would a regular check, and the bank will mail it for you! You can set up a one-time check or recurring scheduled check amount.

Make a check out to the church and mail it to: 216 East Gurley Street,
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