

BOYD CHAPEL WORSHIP
FEBRUARY 23, 2025 7:30 A.M.

7TH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF WINCHESTER

Serving Christ and Neighbor in the Heart of Winchester and Beyond.



Welcome

Call to Worship

Every time we gather in God's name,
we learn something new.

What will be God's gift of revelation to us today?

We enter this time of worship joyfully,
assured of God's new mercies.

**Celebrating these blessings to come,
we bring our love to God.**

‡ **HYMN 804**

"Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart"

MARION

Prayer of Confession

God, you call us to proclaim the gospel, but we remain silent in the presence of evil. You call us to be reconciled to you and one another, but we are content to live in separation. You call us to seek the good of all, but we fail to resist the powers of oppression. You call us to fight pretensions and injustice, but we sit idly by, endangering lives of people far and near. Forgive us, O God, reconcile us to you by the power of your Holy Spirit, and give us the courage and strength to be reconciled to others, through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Savior, Amen.

Silence for personal confession

Words of Forgiveness

Scripture: *Genesis 24:3-11, Luke 6:27-38*

Sermon: "Tough Love" by the Rev. Amanda Maguire Thomas

Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of Heaven and earth;
and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, Our Lord, Who was conceived by the
Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was**

crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into Hell. The third day He arose again from the dead; He ascended into Heaven, sitteth at the right hand of God, the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper with Prayers of the People & the Lord's Prayer

✠ Benediction

Helper Fund Benefit Concert | March 2

Join us for a fantastic program featuring the versatile and multi-talented Shenandoah Singers in support of the Helper Fund! All four of our section leaders will take part, offering a diverse selection of music you won't hear on Sunday mornings. The program begins at 4:00 PM, and no tickets are needed—just come, enjoy, and contribute as you're able.



Guatemala Trip

The Guatemala Team is returning to Guatemala from April 3–11, 2025, to work with the women of the Faith Stories Project, a collaborative effort that empowers women in Guatemala and the U.S. to share their faith journeys through storytelling and theatre. If you're interested in joining the trip or learning more, contact Pastor Amanda, Sandy Cleaver, Ell Miller, or Carolyn Thalman by March 4th.

Ash Wednesday Service March 5th at 7pm in the Sanctuary

Join us for our Ash Wednesday Service on March 5 at 7 PM in the Sanctuary as we begin the Season of Lent with prayer, reflection, and the imposition of ashes. All are welcome.

Weekly Prayer Service in Lent

Join us Wednesdays at 11:30 AM in the Chapel for our Weekly Lent Prayer Service. Afterward, gather in the Fellowship Hall for a simple soup with conversation. It's a time of reflection, prayer, and renewal as we journey through this season together. We hope to see you there!

Youth Sunday & Breakfast Fundraiser! Sunday, March 24th

Join us for Youth-Led Worship at 11 AM in the Fellowship Hall, then stay for a delicious breakfast supporting the Youth Mission Trip! Give as you're able. RSVP by March 24: colleen@fpcwinc.org Pancakes, juice, sausage, fruit, muffins, and coffee will be served.