

For PRAYER . . .

CHURCH FAMILY:

Carol Ann Fournier; Jerry Wood; Matthew Kincer; Jim Thompson; Dolores Pruitt; Connie Fletcher; Dorothy Wright; Julia Butler; Doris Branam.

Heritage Hall: Betty Kelly

Pastor Nominating Committee (PNC)

Michael Thomas, Kristie Hancock Clifton, Barbara Kincer, Josh Thompson, Davina Larimer Perkins, Howie Mitchell, and Peggy Riley.

OTHERS:

Reverend Michael Weller; Kim McGraw’s mother.

Active Military Service: Jon Wright.

TO PASS ALONG A PRAYER REQUEST:

Contact Eunice Jones at (276.988.4412) jnseun@aol.com); or the church office at (276.988.4724; sectazpresb12@yahoo.com). Names will remain on the Prayer List for 4 weeks, unless otherwise requested.

THIS WEEK

Sunday, January 7, 2024

Worship Service-Black’s Chapel	9:30 A.M.
Worship Service-TPC Sanctuary	11:00 A.M.

Monday, January 8, 2024

PNC Meeting	6:00 P.M.
Session Meeting	7:00 P.M.

Tuesday, January 9, 2024

Second Tuesday Quilters	4:00 P.M.
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Wednesday, January 10, 2024

Adventure Time/TAG	3:30 P.M.
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Sunday, January 14, 2024

Worship Service-Black’s Chapel	9:30 A.M.
Worship Service-TPC Sanctuary	11:00 A.M.

Attendance:

December 31 TPC 31 Livestream 10 BC 12 Total 53

Pulpit Schedule for January 2024

January 7	Pastor Grace Kim
January 14	Dr. Martin Dotterweich
January 21	Pastor Grace Kim
January 28	Pastor Grace Kim

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome

We welcome all who join our Sunday worship service. If you are not able to be present in our sanctuary you can join us live on [YouTube by searching Tazewell Presbyterian Church](#). All of our live-streamed services are available for replay. Through our worship, we proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ and celebrate the community of faith. We are happy that you are here!

Annual Congregational Meeting: January 28th

Please join us the Annual Congregational Meeting immediately following worship on Sunday, January 28. The purpose of this meeting is to elect session members and Nominating Committee members. We will also receive and review the Annual Report from various committees and the 2024 budget approved by the Session. We will have a communal lunch on this day as well.

Special Emphasis Food Pantry Needs

Special Emphasis for the month of January is soup. This is for Souper Bowl Sunday to enable us to give out extra soup during the winter months.

SUNDAY WORSHIP

January 7, 2024

Epiphany of the Lord



Birth of Stars, image from NASA’s James Webb, July 2023

TAZEWELL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Black’s Presbyterian Chapel

The Gathering

Chiming of the Hour & Prelude: *Meditation on Three Kings*
Greg Sewell

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

One: The darkness of Herod could not stop hope!

Many: God's light, whose sign was a star, was poured out for the people.

One: All the fears and fights of this world cannot diminish God's light.

Many: That light is in the life of Jesus Christ, who breaks through the darkness.

One: Thanks be to God, for the most precious gift of light.

Many: Let us live as people of new light and hope.

All: Let us worship God!

*Hymn 744

Arise, Your Light Is Come

Prayer of Confession

God of glory, you sent Jesus among us as the light of the world, to reveal your love for all people. We confess that our sin and pride hide the brightness of your light. We turn away from the poor; we ignore cries for justice; we do not strive for peace. In your mercy, cleanse us of our sin, and pour out the gifts of your Spirit, that, forgiven and renewed, we may show forth your glory shining in the face of Jesus Christ. Amen.

Kyrie

Lord, have mercy; Christ have mercy;
Lord, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy; Christ have mercy;
Lord, have mercy upon us.

Assurance of God’s Grace

One: Friends, hear this Good News! the love of God is beyond measure, and you are included in that love. Know that you are forgiven and thus freed to love and serve.
All: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.
Thanks be to God!

*Passing of the Peace

The peace of Christ be with you.
And also with you.
(Please share the peace with those around you).

*Response of Praise

Gloria Patri

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, Amen.

The Word

God’s Word in Song: What Star Is This, with Beams so Bright

Children’s Message: Epiphany Stars Pam Irvin

A way other than our own
Scripture: Matthew 2:1-18 (Pew Bible, pg. 783-784)

Sermon Rev. Grace Kim
“Being Spacious”

Response to the Word

*Affirmation of Faith

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

*Hymn 150 As With Gladness Men of Old

Invitation to Offering

Offertory: To Follow that Star Ritter

*Doxology

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

Celebrations and Concerns

Prayers of the People and the Lord’s Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come.
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our debts,
as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power,
and the glory, forever. Amen.

Sending and Service

*Hymn 151, verses 1 & 5 We Three Kings

*Benediction

*Chiming of the Trinity

*Please rise in body and/ or spirit.