



Kirkwood Presbyterian Church

Sunday, January 19, 2025

2nd Sunday after Epiphany

Gathering

Welcome and Ministry Announcements

Dr. Yvan Kelly

***Sharing the Peace of Christ**

***Opening Hymn**

Glory to God Hymnal #20

“All Things Bright and Beautiful”

***Call to Worship** (Based on Psalm 36)

Worship Leader

Leader: How precious is your steadfast love, O God! May all people take refuge in the shadow of your wings.

People: We feast on the abundance of your house, and you give us drink from the river of your delights.

Leader: For with you is the fountain of life;

People: in your light we see light.

All: Let us worship and praise God!

Gathering Prayer

Shawn Brecht

Call to Confession

Dr. Yvan Kelly

Prayer of Confession

Dr. Yvan Kelly

People: You have blessed us with a variety of gifts, Holy God, but we are reluctant to share. We hoard what is most valuable and make excuses for ourselves when called to share. The Spirit has blessed each of us uniquely, but we hide our light under a bushel and fail to rise to our potential. God, forgive us and embolden us. Help us to claim our gifts and put them to good use.

Leader: Please continue in silent confession....Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Dr. Yvan Kelly

Leader: Friends, hear the Good News! Your God rejoices over you

People: as a bridegroom rejoices over the bride.

Leader: Friends, believe the Good News!

People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God! Amen.

*please stand

Word

A Time for Children

Dr. Yvan Kelly

(Children will go to Sunday School)

Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 62:1-5

Shawn Brecht

For Zion's sake I will not keep silent, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest, until her vindication shines out like the dawn, and her salvation like a burning torch. The nations shall see your vindication, and all the kings your glory; and you shall be called by a new name that the mouth of the Lord will give. You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the Lord, and a royal diadem in the hand of your God. You shall no more be termed Forsaken, and your land shall no more be termed Desolate; but you shall be called My Delight Is in Her, and your land Married; for the Lord delights in you, and your land shall be married. For as a young man marries a young woman, so shall your builder marry you, and as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride, so shall your God rejoice over you.

Reader: The word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

New Testament Reading

John 2:1-11

Dr. Yvan Kelly

On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." And Jesus said to her, "Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come." His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you." Now standing there were six stone water jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. Jesus said to them, "Fill the jars with water." And they filled them up to the brim. He said to them, "Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward." So they took it. When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom and said to him, "Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now." Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

Reader: The word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Message

"Let's Get the Party Started"

Dr. Yvan Kelly

***Middle Hymn**

"How Deep the Father's Love for Us"

***Affirmation of Faith**

Apostles' Creed

**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.**

Installation of Session Elders

Prayers and Offering

Prayers of the People/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.

Giving Thanks to God with Our Gifts and Offerings

Offertory Song

***Doxology**

***Prayer of Dedication**

People: Just as Jesus turned gallons of water into wine, we too know God's extravagant blessings. Take these gifts we give today and bless them, Holy God, that others may know your abundance and live whole and healthy lives. Amen.

Sending

***Closing Hymn**

Glory to God Hymnal #321 v. 1, 2, 4, & 5

“The Church's One Foundation”

Charge and Blessing

Dr. Yvan Kelly

Announcements

2024 Contribution Statements - Please see Lynne Barnes this morning for your 2024 contribution statement. Any statements not picked up will be mailed.

Installation of Session Members January 19 - Today the following newly elected Session members will be installed to the Class of 2027: Lisa Christian, Frances Collins, and Yvette Grant.

41st Annual Gathering of Presbyterian Women January 25 - This Saturday, January 25, the Presbyterian Women will gather at the Montgomery Conference Center for the 41st Annual Gathering of Presbyterian Women. The fee is \$35. An information sheet/registration form is on the table in the narthex and will be in tomorrow's newsletter.

Session Retreat January 25 - This Saturday, January 25, starting at 10:00 a.m. the Session will meet for the annual Session retreat at the home of Yvette Grant, 1461 Tomcat Drive, Jacksonville, 32221.

Thrivent Card Drive Ends February 2 - Thrivent is helping spread the love this Valentine's Day by participating in a Valentine's Day card collection drive for our military men and women stationed out of Mayport Naval Station. Each card can be:

- ❖ Store-bought or handmade
- ❖ It is best to keep it general in the note- "Thank you for your service"
- ❖ Cards will be going to men/women
- ❖ An envelope may be included but not necessary and not sealed
- ❖ If you want to include a return address you may, if you choose

Cards must be turned in to the Kirkwood church office no later than **Sunday, February 2**, so that we can get them to the Thrivent office in time for them to distribute them.

Bunko February 8 - The next Bunko night will be held on Saturday, February 8, at 6:00 p.m. No experience is needed and it is fun for all ages. The entrance fee is \$10.00 per person and includes dessert. All proceeds go to the church's building and grounds fund.

Financial Giving - You may place your offering in the offering plate, drop off a check at the office, put it in the mail, or use our online giving portal that can be accessed [here](#) or by scanning the QR code to the right.



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