



First Presbyterian Church

Shelbyville, Tennessee

Weekly Newsletter

February 2, 2020



There are two epiphanies in the Bible. The first is the manifestation of Christ Jesus to the gentile wise men from the east. The second is the revealing of the divinity of Jesus at his baptism in the Jordan River when the dove descended upon him and the voice of God rang out.

But this Sunday is the fourth of six Sundays in the season of Epiphany. So we actually have an entire season to encounter some divine revelation. What has God revealed to you this season?

You may say that nothing has been revealed. Many of us are happy enough with what we know such that we do not attune our senses to learning new things from God. We are satisfied enough with the way our lives work that we make ourselves deaf to the divine intrusion of new thoughts. Sometimes God's revelations don't make sense in the context of how we *prefer* to see the world around us.

But I'll bet that there has been some wisdom or insight that God has manifest to you that you either have not recognized or not accepted. I invite you to be open to communication from God and not discount new perceptions about who God is calling you to be or what God is calling you to do. Allow for unexpected and uncontrolled variables to crop up in your faith journey. Follow them and see where they take you.

New revelations particularly are in store for our young people as we welcome Christian Education Director, Cindy Lamb. Families with children and youth at FPC are invited to a welcome dinner Wednesday the 5th to meet Cindy and learn some of her ideas that might be new for us.

See you in church!

Allen

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 2020

**Join us as we gather for worship of our Lord and Savior
JESUS CHRIST**

Old Testament: Micah 6:6-8

New Testament: 1 Corinthians 1:18-19, 27-31

Sermon: "Organized Religion"

Rev. Allen Cross

SERVING SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 2020		SERVING SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2020	
Acolyte	Grace Wilhelm		
Lay Liturgist	Charlotte Williams	Lay Liturgist	Leo Skelton
Ushers/Greeters	Freida Bone Marylyn Caperton Randy Reed Donna Sepull	Ushers/Greeters	Linda Anderton Tommy Anderton Donna Sepull Lisa Turner
Hall Monitor	Roy Turner	Hall Monitor	Janice Womble
A Time for Young Christians	Kate Canady	A Time for Young Christians	Kate Canady
Children's Church	Mary Marsh	Children's Church	Connie Crafton and Cindy Lamb
Nursery		Nursery	Mary Marsh
Serving Holy Communion: Aaron Crafton, Melanie Hamilton, Ginger Shofner, Leo Skelton, Richard Smith			

February 5th



Come out and meet FPC's
Christian Education Director

Cindy Lamb

Wednesday, **February 5th** at 6:00pm
Dinner will be served at 6:30pm



Friday, February 7th

February 9th

Bring your food donations for Good Sam for a
"Blessing" for Good Samaritan



Lunch following Worship



When Bedford Co. Schools are closed due
to inclement weather all church activities
will be cancelled.



will be packing Valentine's boxes for our college
students on February 5th.

Please leave your donations in the
Chapel by **Sunday, February 2nd**.

Suggested items:

- ⇒ Oatmeal Packets
- ⇒ Pop Tarts
- ⇒ Breakfast & Protein Bars
- ⇒ Instant Soup Packets
- ⇒ Hot Chocolate Packets
- ⇒ Candy, Cookies, Popcorn, Chips,
Pretzels, Cheez-its, Nutella,
Assorted Crackers
- ⇒ Breath Mints, Gum
- ⇒ Gift Cards: Coffee, Restaurant,
Amazon, iTunes
- ⇒ Pens & Highlighters
- ⇒ Paper clips, Post-it notes, USB drives
- ⇒ Lip Balm, Hand Sanitizer, Cough Drops,
Razors, Kleenex packs
- ⇒ Hair Ties, Fuzzy Socks,
- ⇒ Small games, Silly String, Slinkies,
Silly Putty, Stress Balls.
- ⇒ Aromatherapy Oils

*This list is on the bulletin board in the Fellowship Hall

February 11th



Presbyterian Women's Luncheon

Noon in the Fellowship Hall

Lunch Catered by The Coffee Break

Cost: \$13.00 (pay at the door)

RSVP by Monday, February 3rd by calling the
Church Office

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Night Circle at 6:30pm at the home of
Melanie Hamilton; Co-Hostess, Barbara Steinke