



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH OF STILLWATER

ORDER OF DIVINE WORSHIP
FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY
FEBRUARY 4TH, 2024 - 11:00 am

Welcome!

Whether you are worshiping with us for the first time or have grown up here at FPC, we are glad you have joined us for worship this morning!

- ✝ Everyone is welcome here. God loves you, and so do we. God's grace abounds.
- ✝ We welcome children of all ages in worship! We know that God made all children and that wiggles and giggles are part of that. Both restrooms on the first floor (to your left as you exit the Sanctuary) are equipped with changing tables. If parents prefer, our nursery is open for ages 0-4 in the Preschool wing (to the right as you exit the Sanctuary).
- ✝ At the back of the Sanctuary are Children's Worship Bags, stored on a wooden tree. Take the bulletin and activity sheets home, but please return the bag with all other materials to the tree.
- ✝ Please record your name and address on the Ministry of Friendship (red folder at the end of the row). Pass it to the end of the row and back to see with whom you worship.
- ✝ Hearing Assist devices are available at the rear of the Sanctuary.
- ✝ Written prayer requests may be recorded in the notebook at the rear of the Sanctuary.

-Gathering Around the Word -

PRELUDE..... *Air on Kelvingrove (Will You Come and Follow Me) – Matthew Corl*

GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

Sharing Christ's Peace—To the phrases "The Lord be with you" and "Peace be with you", you may respond, "and also with you."

ORGAN INTRADA..... *on Lobe den Herren - R. te Velde*

****CALL TO WORSHIP**

One: Be comforted, beloved people of God, be comforted.

All: Speak tenderly to us, oh teachers of faith, for we have served our sentence for our wrong doing, and we have been punished more than enough!

One: Haven't you heard? Do you not know? God is steadfast and clearing a way through the wilderness of our broken lives.

All: We have heard that God energizes those who get tired and gives fresh strength to dropouts. For even young people in their prime stumble and fall.

One: But those who wait upon God get fresh strength.

All: God, renew our spirits to wait on you, so that we might spread our wings and soar like eagles. Let us run without growing weary.

****HYMN OF PRAISE 35**..... "Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty"

****PRAYER OF ADORATION**

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSIONin unison
Creator of all things living and extinct, you are the one who gives and extinguishes life. You gather and pull apart good things. Like a carpenter or potter, you take organic and inorganic material and make something new. Search our hearts today. Find our extinguished parts and give them new life. Find our enraged passions and soften them to your will. Mend the brokenness in our lives and make us whole again.
Moment for personal contemplation and prayer

KYRIE 578, v. 1
O Lord, have mer-cy; O Lord_, ' have mercy;
O Lord_, ' have mercy, ' have mer-cy on us.
Also printed on page 4 if you would like the music

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

One: Isaiah the prophet hears a voice say, "Shout!"
All: With his words we respond, "What shall we shout?"
One: "Human beings are nothing but grass, their love as fragile as wildflowers."
All: The grass withers, the wildflowers fade, but our God's Word stands firm and forever.
One: Like a shepherd, God will care for you like a flock, gathering you as lambs in an embrace, leading you as the nursing ewes to good pasture.
All: Thanks be to God.

**GLORIA PATRI582
Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me,
and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me,
and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free.
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

- Proclaiming and Sharing the Word -

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

PSALTER LESSONIsaiah 40:21-31 (OT, p. 628)
GOSPEL LESSONMark 1:29-39 (NT, p. 33)
TIME WITH CHILDRENSpiritLink Singers - "Jesus Loves Me" - unknown
ANTHEM 'Cantate Domino" – Giuseppe Pitoni
SERMON "Holy Comfort"

- Responding to the Word -

****AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**.....The 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.

INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

INVITATION TO STEWARDSHIP

You can contribute to this morning's offering at www.stillwaterfpc.org, or mail a check to: First Presbyterian Church, 524 S. Duncan St., Stillwater, OK 74074

OFFERTORY HYMN 796 "We Come to You for Healing, Lord "

****DOXOLOGY** 300, v. 4

All praise to the Father, from whom all things come,
and all praise to Christ Jesus, God's only Son,
and all praise to the Spirit, who makes us one:
And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love,
yes they'll know we are Christians by our love.

****PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

- Sealing of the Word -

PRAYER OF GREAT THANKSGIVING

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

SHARING IN THE GIFTS OF GOD

All are welcome to share in God's good gifts at our communion table! Please form two lines as you come forward. A gluten free station is available in the center. To the phrases, "The Body of Christ" or "The Cup of Forgiveness", you may respond, "Thanks be to God" or "Amen". If you are unable to come forward, please motion to the elders and you will be served in your seat after the lines have passed.

Music during communion: Meditation on "Let Us Break Bread Together" - Chelsea Chen

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

- Bearing and Following Word into the World -

****SENDING HYMN 295**..... “Go to the World!”

****CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE..... “Praise to the Lord, the Almighty” – Max Drischner

ASSISTING IN WORSHIP TODAY

Preacher **Kati Collins**, Interim Pastor
Liturgist & Guitarist **Leigh Miller**, Coord. of Children & Youth
Organist/Dir. of Music **Rebecca te Velde**
Greeters **Rusty Rex**
Ushers **Dennis & Judy Ferrell, Maddox Krehbiel,
Kirk Mittelstet**
Children & Worship **Carolyn Caldwell, Debby Schoenecke**
Counters **Jim Beckstrom, Belinda Bruner**

Music Notes by Rebecca te Velde

Prelude: This is Matthew Corl’s gentle setting of hymn #726, “The Summons”. Corl is organist and associate director of music at First United Methodist Church in Lakeland, FL.

Communion: Taiwanese-American virtuoso organist Chelsea Chen (b. 1983) is based in New York and Switzerland and concertizes world-wide. She is also a passionate Christian church musician. Increasingly also known as a composer of organ music, she has given this beloved spiritual a lush and sensitive setting.

Postlude: German composer Max Drischner (1891–1971) wrote in a transparent, neo-classical style. One can clearly hear Mozart’s influence on him. This toccata is for manuals only (hands alone) and is his effervescent setting of hymn #35 in *Glory to God*.

Anthem (11:00): We are singing this in the original Latin today because the text and music are so tightly wedded. The Italian composer, Giuseppe Ottavio Pitoni (1657-1743), was one of the leading Baroque-era musicians in Rome and also an organist.

Anthem text from Psalm 149 (sung in Latin):

Cantate Domino canticum novum:

laus eius in ecclesia sanctorum.

Laetetur Israel in eo qui fecit eum:

et filiae Sion exultant in rege suo.

Sing to the Lord a new song,

let the congregation of saints praise him.

Let Israel rejoice in him who made him,

and the daughters of Zion shall rejoice in their king.

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O Lord, Have Mercy

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Kyrie eleison


Oré poriajú verekó

Capo 2: (G) A (C) D (D) E (G) A



1 O Lord, have mer - cy; O Lord, have mer - cy; O
2 O Christ, have mer - cy; O Christ, have mer - cy; O

(E) F# (Am) Bm (D) E (G) A



Lord, have mer - cy, have mer - cy on us.
Christ, have mer - cy, have mer - cy on us.




SAVE THE DATE

Ash Wednesday Service

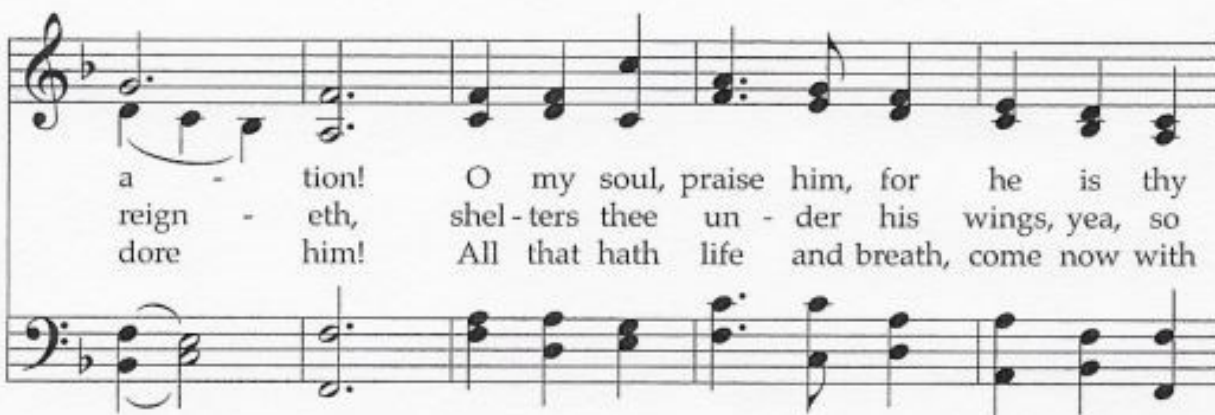
Communion and Imposition of Ashes

February 14, 5:30pm

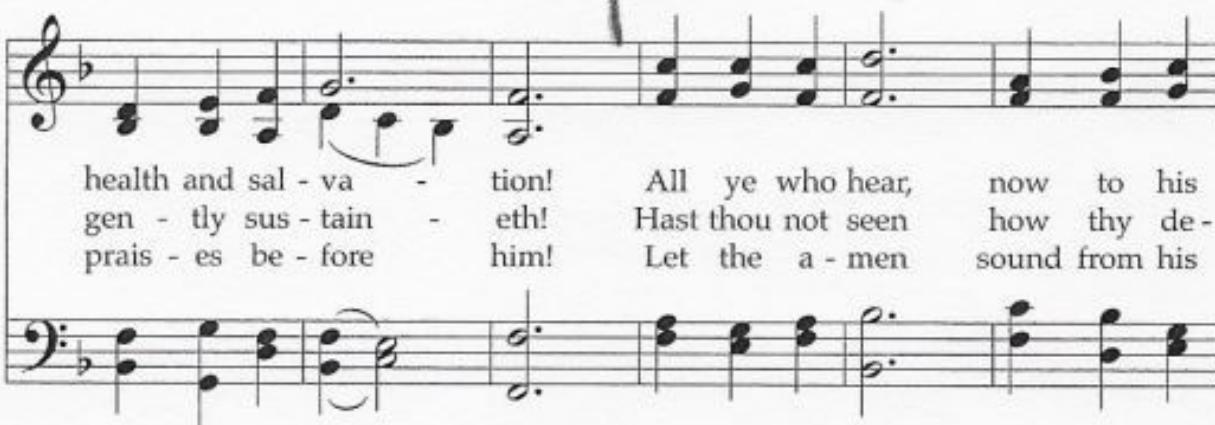
35 Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty



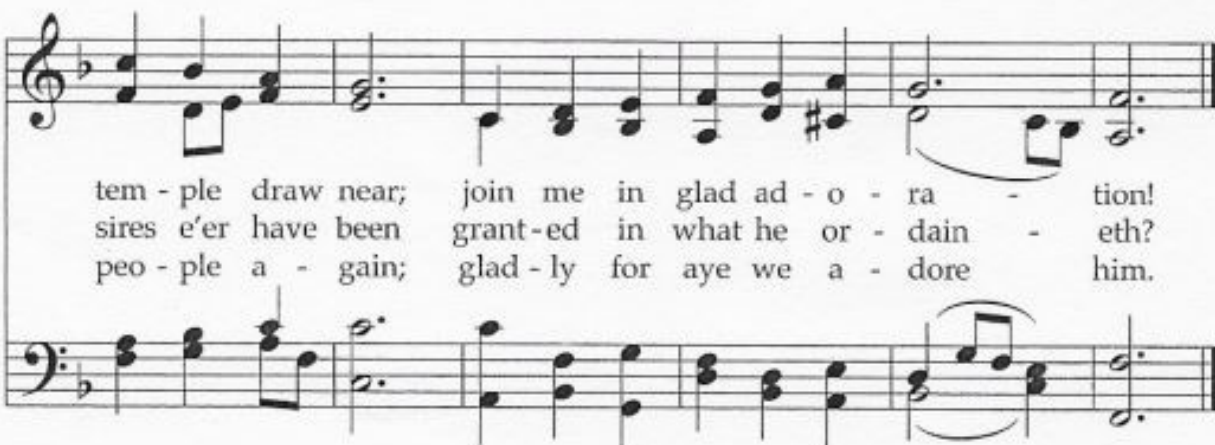
1 Praise ye the Lord, the Al-might-y, the King of cre-
 2 Praise ye the Lord, who o'er all things so won-drous-ly
 3 Praise ye the Lord! O let all that is in me a-



a-tion! O my soul, praise him, for he is thy
 reign-eth, shel-ters thee un-der his wings, yea, so
 dore him! All that hath life and breath, come now with




health and sal-va-tion! All ye who hear, now to his
 gen-tly sus-tain-eth! Hast thou not seen how thy de-
 prais-es be-fore him! Let the a-men sound from his

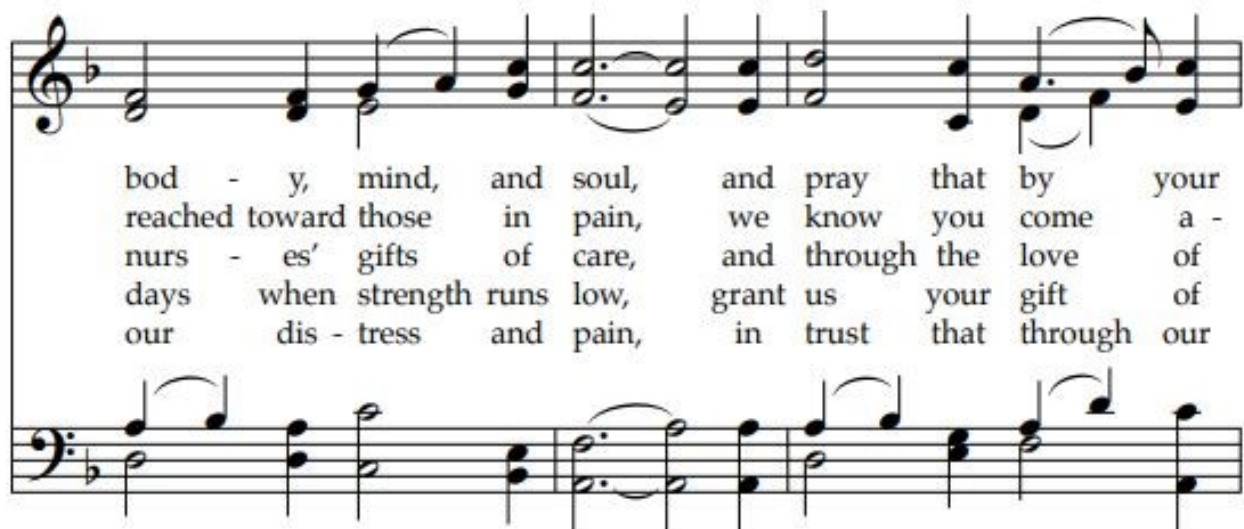


tem-ple draw near; join me in glad ad-o-ra-tion!
 sires e'er have been grant-ed in what he or-dain-eth?
 peo-ple a-gain; glad-ly for aye we a-dore him.

We Come to You for Healing, Lord 796



1 We come to you for heal - ing, Lord, of
 2 As once you walked through an - cient streets and
 3 You touch us through phy - si - cians' skills, through
 4 Through nights of pain and wake - ful - ness, through
 5 We come to you, O lov - ing Lord, in



bod - y, mind, and soul, and pray that by your
 reached toward those in pain, we know you come a -
 nurs - es' gifts of care, and through the love of
 days when strength runs low, grant us your gift of
 our dis - tress and pain, in trust that through our



Spir - it's touch we may a - gain be whole.
 mong us still with power to heal a - gain.
 faith - ful friends who lift our lives in prayer.
 pa - tience, Lord, your calm - ing peace to know.
 nights and days your grace will heal, sus - tain.

Go to the World!

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1 Go to the world! Go in - to all the earth.
 2 Go to the world! Go in - to ev - ery place.
 3 Go to the world! Go strug - gle, bless, and pray;
 4 Go to the world! Go as the ones I send,



Go preach the cross where Christ re - news life's worth,
 Go live the word of God's re - deem - ing grace.
 the nights of tears give way to joy - ous day.
 for I am with you till the age shall end,



bap - tiz - ing as the sign of our re - birth.
 Go seek God's pres - ence in each time and space.
 As ser - vant church, you fol - low Christ's own way.
 when all the hosts of glo - ry cry "A - men!"



Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

Based on Christ's great commission (Matthew 28:19-20), this text was written for a Convocation of Emmanuel College in Toronto, the largest theological school of the United Church of Canada, a denomination formed by the union of Methodists, Congregationalists, and Presbyterians.

PRAYER CONCERNS

Lavon Alexander	Andee and	Patty Jacobs	Jean Moore	Rogers
Gary Allen	Kannon Cooper	Paul Dean Jenkins	Anne Mullen	David Schmidly
Amanda	Emberlee	Brenda Johns	Nora Nagaruk	Karen Shippey
Nick Amidon	Davidson	Joey Jones	Chancey	Jeffrey Silver
Shea Arnett	Heather Davidson	Ted Joy	Nickerson	David Smith
Christopher	Sara Davies	Patty Keys	Michelle	Ted Smith
Aupperle	Matthew Durham	Patsy King	Nicholson	Perry Sneed
The Baker Family	Lori Fagan	Mary Jane	Pricilia Nkem	Jamie Stephens
Luz Barber	Jeanie Findahl	Kirchenbauer	Margaret	Christine Stone
Baker	Paula Fitch	Margy Knox	O'Loughlin	The Stuart Family
Debbie Barnes	Mike Flowers	Pauline Kopecky	Marek Omast II	Phyllis Taylor &
Betty Bays	Joyce Freeman	Dottie & Sam	Our Service Men	Helen Brake
Leola Beckstrom	Ed Gallegos	Kraemer	& Women	Teresa te Velde
Mandy Blackburn	Lauren Glynn	Karen Krehbiel	Frances Phillips	Pat Thomason
Rose Marie Bligh	Keith Good	Heather Lanners	Jean Potts	Tyler
Rita Breuninger	Halana	Roger Lantz	Daniel Powell	Upendo Kids
Helen Britton	Ben Harris	Hank Lett	Paul Quarles	Nettie Vick
Brooks	Kendall Harvey	Tracie Lively	Tim Rains	Emily Walker
Belinda Bruner	Mary Ann Henley	Cheryl Lowther	Lisa Reavis	Darrell Warren
Wayne	Charla Hilger	Alyssa Matal	Larry & Margaret	Jim West
Cartwright	Charity Hitch	Larry McDonald	Redburn	Lynda Williams
Paula Cavett	Carolynne	Stephanie	Jack Reeves	Scott Williams
Nancy Chapa	Hopkins	McMillan	Dylon Reimers	<i>Bold means recently added</i>
Allison Christy	Linda Houck	Philip Meadows	Sara Roberts	
Abby Clapp	Sharon Huckleby	Steve Miller	Terry Robinson	
Darlene Collyar	Sandy Ives	Tresa Miller	Virginia & Olin	

Military Service: Jordan Buterbaugh, Casey Campbell, Justin Fowler,
James Greenwald, Matt Krehbiel, Eric Murphy, Miles Smith, and Bryn Williams

*The Communion table flowers are given to the Glory of God
by Cathy & David Conway In memory of our parents.*

*The Narthex table flowers are given to the Glory of God by
Bill & Christie Millis in celebration of February birthdays.*

Rev. Jan Dus to speak about Camino and their humanitarian work in Ukraine

First Presbyterian Church in Stillwater is pleased to offer a unique opportunity to learn firsthand about the humanitarian situation in Ukraine. Our longtime colleague in the Czech Republic, Jan Dus, is just back from a trip to Ukraine, and will share what he has learned and provide information about how we can engage and help our friends and neighbors in Ukraine in FPC's Fellowship Hall, at 6th and Duck, Stillwater, on Sunday February 4 at 5 pm.

As Director of Camino, Pastor Dus is uniquely positioned to give an on the ground account of what is happening. Camino is a Christian humanitarian organization legally registered in the Czech Republic. Its founders are, Dr. Anna Dusova and pastor Jan Dus. Camino was founded in 2022 with a twofold purpose - to provide humanitarian help in Ukraine and to organize tourist-humanitarian trips.

Both Anna and Jan are members of the Evangelical Church of Czech Brethren (ECCB), which has very close ties with Presbyterian Church (USA). Anna - a pharmacist - is an elder of the ECCB congregation in Policka. Jan is a volunteer ECCB pastor serving a number of congregations. Jan's engagement with ECCB brought him to humanitarian work, which ended up in them founding Camino. Jan currently makes his living by providing genealogical research.

The purpose of Jan's trip to the United States is to raise support for humanitarian work of Camino and its partners in Ukraine. Camino decided to organize this journey because of the current hard humanitarian conditions of the most needy in Ukraine. The situation is deteriorating especially now during the winter. Camino is a fully volunteer-based organization with no paid staff. All positions, including the position of Director are voluntary. All received support for humanitarian projects reaches those in need (Of course it means that Jan will be fully volunteering his time during the February trip to the United States.)

A voluntary offering will be taken at the meeting. Those wishing to contribute may also give in the following ways:

- **PayPal:** Camino PayPal address is: camino.zu@gmail.com
- **Ambassadors of Father's House (AFH):** AFH is our U.S. based partner organization. You can donate using your **card, PayPal or U.S. bank transfer**. Donation link: <https://donorbox.org/camino> AFH will forward your donation to the Camino account
- **Check or IMO:** A regular personal check or international money order issued in the currency of your country. Check/IMO is to be issued to: **"Ambassadors of Father's House"** With a note: **"Camino"** Please send the check to: **Ambassadors of Father's House, P.O. Box 2113, Wayne, NJ 07474**
- **Bank transfer:** Bank Name: CSOB. Bank Address: Radlicka 333/150, Prague - 15057, Czech Republic; BIC Code: CEKOCZPP; Account number: 311287811; IBAN: CZ82 03000000000311287811; Account Name: „Camino, zapsany ustav“; Address: Camino, zapsany ustav, Evropska 1973/58, Praha 6 – 16000, Czech Republic

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- THIS WEEK AT FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH -

TODAY

9:45 am Sunday School classes for all ages
 11:00 am Worship *SAN/Online/Radio*
 4:30 pm PNC *UR*
 5:00 pm Report on Ukraine *FH*
 5:00 pm PYG *YS*

MONDAY

6:00 pm Community Game Night *FH*

TUESDAY

5:00 pm Worship & Music *UR*
 7:00 pm UKIRK *FH*

WEDNESDAY

9:30 am Second Mile Sewing *FH*
 10:30 am Staff Meeting *UR*
 12:10 pm Midweek Prayer *Zoom*
 7:00 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal *WR*

THURSDAY

6:00 pm Deacons *MPR*

FRIDAY

6:00 pm Dine with Nine childcare *NUR*

SATURDAY

11:00 am Saturday Brunch Ministry *NFH*
 1:30 pm Youth Sunday Rehearsal *FH*

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 11 - YOUTH SUNDAY

9:45 am Sunday School classes for all ages
 11:00 am Worship *FH/Online/Radio*
 4:30 pm PNC *UR*

Stillwater Public Schools' Pioneer Pantry aims to help students grades K-12 get the items they need, whether those are hygiene or household products, a haircut, or a coat. Students can go to the health room or nurse's office at each school site to acquire items, or teachers can make requests on behalf of students as well.

Deacons will be collecting donations Sunday, February 4th at the 11:00 am church service. Anyone wishing to help can bring physical items such as toiletry items, socks, coats, etc. or just bring a monetary donation. Checks should be made out to FPC and indicate 'Pioneer Pantry' in the memo line.

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