



Plymouth-Kilwinning Lodge, No. 149
Free and Accepted Masons
Chartered 1853

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DEAR BROTHER:

A CALLED MEETING of Plymouth-Kilwinning Lodge, No, 149, F&AM, will be held at the Masonic Hall, 109 Water St., Plymouth, Indiana, on:

Thursday, November 17, 2022.

The Lodge will open at 6:30 PM for the purpose of conferring the Fellowcraft Degree on Brother Adam Kraining of Walkerton. Your presence is earnestly requested and your Masonic friends are cordially invited to attend.

Fraternally,
Wor. Tim Pletcher
Master

Attest:
Most Wor. James Barkdull
Secretary

OFFICERS FOR 2022

Worshipful Master: Tim Pletcher
Senior Warden: Eugene Tyler
Junior Warden: Michael Perdue
Secretary: James Barkdull
Treasurer: Jon VanVactor
Senior Deacon: Larry Snyder
Junior Deacon: Corey Johnson

Senior Steward: Travis O'Neal
Junior Steward: Cody Pozil
Chaplain: Greg Horton
Marshal: Scott Wilhelm
Organist: Brent Kaufman
Tyler Dennis Manuwal

Trustees: David Russell, Keith Hammonds, Larry Snyder

Grand Master of Masons in Indiana: Most. Wor. Richard L. Lentz

NOTE: From now on, trestleboards will be posted on the Lodge website, instead of being sent to e-mail addresses.



EXPLORING MASONRY

November 2022

From the Book of Amos

THE PROPHET AMOS preached in the eighth century in the Kingdom of Israel, emphasizing justice and divine judgment. In the Fellowcraft Degree, we hear these familiar words from his book of prophecy (chapter 7, verses 7-8): “Then the Lord showed me, and, behold, the Lord stood upon a wall made by a plumbline, with a plumbline in his hand.

“And the Lord said unto me, Amos, what seeist thou? And I said, a plumbline. Then said the Lord, Behold, I will set a plumbline in the midst of my people Israel. I will never again pass them by.”

The Junior Warden’s emblem of his office reminds us of the Lord’s plumbline, and of a Mason’s commitment to pursue an ethical way of life. Just as a plumb measures if a wall is built straight, it teaches us that we must apply a standard of justice and moral character to ourselves and to society in general.

In addition to being an important symbol in the second degree, the plumb also figures prominently in the installation of a Worshipful Master. It is presented to him as a working tool of his profession, signifying virtue and integrity. — JS

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