

December 24, 2016

First Presbyterian Church

Christmas Eve



Glorify. Grow.

Mission Statement:

We, as the Church, are the Body of Christ equipped through prayer by the Holy Spirit to glorify God; through passionate worship, nurturing fellowship, sacrificial service, respectful evangelism, and active discipleship, we encourage and challenge all ages of our congregation and community to grow in relationship with our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

Ask an usher for a large print bulletin, Bible, or hearing enhancement device.

Prayer cards, visitor information cards, and offering envelopes can be found in the pews. Please place them in the offering plate.

Preaching: Rev. Rich McDermott

Liturgist: Rev. Chris Campbell

Advent Candles: The McDermott family

The Nativity of The Lord

Words in bold are spoken by the congregation.

§ Invites all who are able to stand.

The poinsettias are given to the glory of God.

See dedications in the insert.

Gathering

Preparation for Worship

*On Christmas night all Christians sing, to hear the news the angels bring:
News of great joy, news of great mirth, news of our merciful King's birth.*

Prelude

Noel: OÙ S'en vont Ces gais bergers

Claude Balbastre

Lighting the Advent Candles

§ Hymn 133

O Come, All Ye Faithful

ADESTE FIDELIS

Opening Prayer

Proclaiming

Scripture Lesson

Luke 1:26–38

New Testament page 56

Carol

Whisper! Whisper!

Jay Althouse

Women's Ensemble Nick Kannenberg, percussion

Whisper! Whisper! Tiny baby in a manger lay. Whisper! Whisper! Baby born today.

Shout it out! From the highest mountain. Shout it out! Hear what I say.

Shout it out! To the hills and valleys, Tiny baby is born today.

Shout it out! With a thousand voices! Shout it out! Let the music play! Shout it out! Go tell all the people!

Mary had a baby, Yes, my Lord, Yes, my Lord. Mary had a baby. Yes, my Lord. Glory Hallelu!

Hymn 121

O Little Town of Bethlehem

ST. LOUIS

Scripture Lesson

Matthew 1:18–25

New Testament page 1

Carol

A Virgin Unspotted

William Billings

*A virgin unspotted, the prophet foretold, should bring forth a Savior, which now we behold,
To be our Redeemer from death, hell and sin, which Adam's transgression involved us in.*

Then let us be merry, put sorrow away:

Our savior, Christ Jesus, was born on this day!

*Through Bethlehem city, in Judah it was that Joseph and Mary together did pass,
And for to be taxed when thither they came, since Caesar Augustus commanded the same.*

*But Mary's full time being come as we find, she brought forth her first-born to save all mankind,
The inn being full for this heavenly guest, No place there was found then to lay him to rest.*

Scripture Lesson

Luke 2:1–20

New Testament page 58

§ Hymn 119

Hark! The Herald Angels Sing

MENDELSSOHN

Scripture Lesson

Matthew 2:1–12

New Testament page 2

§ Hymn 134

Joy to the World

ANTIOCH

The Sermon

The Birth of the Messiah

Rev. McDermott

The Response

Anthem

The Hallelujah Chorus

G. F. Handel

*Hallelujah! For the Lord God omnipotent reigneth.
The kingdom of this world is become the kingdom of our Lord, and of His Christ;
And He shall reign for ever and ever, King of kings, and Lord of lords. Hallelujah!*

Offertory

Bring a Torch Jeanette Isabella

Jerry Westenkuehler

The offering will benefit Presbyterian Children's Homes and Services.

Sending

§ Passing the Light of Christ

As the light of Christ is passed, hold the unlit candle over the lit candle.

§ Hymn 122

Silent Night, Holy Night

STILLE NACHT

1 Si - lent night, ho - ly night! All is calm, all is bright
2 Si - lent night, ho - ly night! Shep - herds quake at the sight;
3 Si - lent night, ho - ly night! Son of God, love's pure light
4 Si - lent night, ho - ly night! Won - drous star, lend thy light;

'round yon vir - gin moth - er and child! Ho - ly In - fant, so ten - der and
glo - ries stream from heav - en a - far, heav - en - ly hosts sing "Al - le - lu -
ra - diant beams from thy ho - ly face, with the dawn of re - deem - ing
with the an - gels let us sing Al - le - lu - ia to our

mild, sleep in heav - en - ly peace, sleep in heav - en - ly peace.
ia: Christ the Sav - ior is born; Christ the Sav - ior is born!"
grace, Je - sus, Lord, at thy birth, Je - sus, Lord, at thy birth.
King: Christ the Sav - ior is born; Christ the Sav - ior is born.

§ Charge and Benediction

all are invited to join hands



Poinsettia Dedications

In Honor of

Jeanne and Kevin Chin, by Helen Schrickel
Gary and Juanice Young, by Helen Schrickel
Our Family Members, by Sheri and Jim Quick
Our children & grandchildren: LeeAnn & Scott Mallory;
Kyndal & Grace; Clay & Julie Young & Cameron,
by Gary and Juanice Young
The Volunteers, by The Poindexters
Our grandchildren: Hayley, Natalie, Marlee, Melody & John
Calvin, by Del and Jan Fogg
The Staff, by The Poindexters
Sons Robert, Scott & David, by Linda McClelland
My grandchildren: Cameron, Taylor, Aileen, Neil, Clare &
Grace McClelland, by Linda McClelland
Rosson Family and Chavez Family, by Joe and Lila Glenn

Lloyd Counts, by Alex and Kim Cathro
Lorraine Swanson, by Al and Beth Henkel & family
Our Grimes, Lu, McNees, Quick, and Schember families, by
Sheri and Jim C Quick
My children and grandchildren, by Ann Turney
Lucy Cleaver, by Ann Turney
Mary S. Johnson; Donna A. Johnson, by Lew and Claudia
Johnson
To honor our Lord Jesus Christ, by Mary and David Spencer
Marge and Bob Dawson, by Lucy Cleaver
Our Parents, by Mary and David Spencer
Marge and Bob Dawson, by Carl and Sue Carpenter
Our Veterans, by Richard & Lois Ankele
Fran Hagaman, by Ann Turney

In Loving Memory of

My husband, Gene, by Helen Schrickel
My brother, Bill Hughes, by Helen Schrickel
Tommy Collins, by Edna Collins-Harris
Bobbie Harris, by Edna Collins-Harris
Our parents: Chester & Marie Young; Gerald & Eulene
Nicholas, by Gary and Juanice Young
Great GaGa Dawson, by Jennifer, Hannah & Mady
Schwettmann
Rob Dawson, by Jennifer, Hannah & Mady Schwettmann
Emily Kate Black, by Farnell family
Mary Nell White, by Frances Cooper
Walter Cooper, by Frances Cooper
Our Parents, by Marge and Bob Dawson
Rob Dawson, by Marge and Bob Dawson
Doris and Don Tubbs, by Shirley Herzog
Bill Herzog, by Shirley Herzog
Neil McClelland, Allen & Marion McClelland, Clyde Gown,
Ethel & Burris Wood, by Linda, Robert, Scott &
David McClelland
Vera Glenn, Jim & Bea Albright & Leo Chavez, by Joe and
Lila Glenn

Shirley Counts, by Alex and Kim Cathro
Ken Swanson, by Al and Beth Henkel & family
Mary Sue Shelton, by Betty and Elvis Swaim
Our Parents, by David and Isobel Peden
Departed Family, by Sandra and David Boice
Our Faust, Grimes, Quick, and Schember families, by Sheri
and Jim C Quick
Marie Burch, my dear friend, by Paula Thomson
Virginia and Dolph Bower and Marty Bower, by Shelby and
Sherry Wolfe
James and LaVerne Wolfe and Jimmy Wolfe, by Shelby and
Sherry Wolfe
My husband, G.B. Turney, by Ann Turney
LTJG W.A. Johnson, George E. Johnson, Nap and Anne
Johnson, by Lew and Claudia Johnson
Claude and Viola Patterson, by Lew and Claudia Johnson
Mr. & Mrs. Olin D. Thompson, by Tonya Scrabeck
Our Parents, by Richard and Carol Moody
Shirley Counts, by Lucy Cleaver
Tippy Homstad, my husband for 49 years, by Mrs. Dorothy
Homstad
Dr. Lee J. Walker & Laurie Walker Shelby, by Marilyn Walker

Merry Christmas!