

First Presbyterian Church
Order of Worship
Christmas Eve
December 24, 2024 — 6:00 p.m.

Prelude *The First Noel* — arr. Diane Bish

Welcome Rev. Christian Johnson

Advent Meditation The Michael Gerlach Family

*Opening Hymn *O Come, All Ye Faithful* #133, Vss. 1,3,4

First Lesson — God announces in the Garden of Eden that the seed of woman shall bruise the serpent’s head. Genesis 3:8-15

Carol *O Little Town of Bethlehem* #121, Vss. 1,2,4

Second Lesson — God promises to faithful Abraham that in his seed shall the nations of the earth be blessed. Genesis 22:15-18

Special Music *O Holy Night* — Adolph Adam
Tom Sitzler, Baritone

Third Lesson — Christ’s birth and kingdom are foretold by Isaiah. Isaiah 9:2,6-7

*Carol *Joy to the World* #134

Fourth Lesson —The Peace that Christ will bring is foreshown. Isaiah 11:1-9

An Angel's Visitation: A Fantasy on Gabriel's Message — G. Hutch
Mark Ramsey, Organ

Fifth Lesson — The prophet Micah foretells the glory of little Bethlehem. Micah 5:2-4

Special Music *A Gift of Alleluia* — Gilbert Martin
Sanctuary Choir; Bea Towe, Piano

Sixth Lesson — The birth of Jesus

Video — Christmas According to Kids

Seventh Lesson — John unfolds the great mystery of the incarnation. John 1:1-14

Carol *Infant Holy, Infant Lowly* #128

Meditation The Heart of Christmas Rev. Christian Johnson

The Sacrament of Holy Communion
Communion Music *Communion Meditation* — John Dixon

Pastoral Prayer Rev. Christian Johnson
The Lord’s Prayer

Call to Offering Renita Jurgensen

Offertory *Carol of the Bells* — arr. Kevin McChesney
Dei Gloriam Handbell Choir

Prayer of Dedication Rev. Christian Johnson

*Carol *Silent Night, Holy Night* #122

*Benediction Rev. Christian Johnson

***Please rise in body or spirit.**

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New Member Class: 12/8 & 15 at 3:00 p.m. in Parlor. Call the church office for more information.

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Our service is being livestreamed at <https://www.youtube.com/@fpcmesa7064/streams>.

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