

First Presbyterian Church

Order of Worship

December 24, 2025 — 6:00 p.m.

Prelude *Good Christians All, Rejoice*

Video — The Real Night Before Christmas

Welcome

Advent Wreath Lighting

Leader: The night has been long, but the longing ends here. The Promise kept every word. The Deliverer has crossed the great divide. He is not coming — He has come.

Reader: “Unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord.”

All: O holy Child of Bethlehem, descend to us, we pray; cast out our sin and enter in, be born in us today. We hear the Christmas angel's the great glad tidings tell —O come to us, abide with us, our Lord Immanuel! You are here. You are here. Glory to God in the highest!

Leader: Behold — the Light has stepped into our darkness! Our longing is satisfied. Jesus is here. Let us adore Him!

All: Christ is born! Immanuel has come! Hallelujah!

First Lesson: The Fall and Promise of a Savior, Genesis 3:8-15, 17-19
Rev. Christian Johnson

Carol *Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming* #129

Second Lesson: Abraham's Promise, Genesis 22:15-18
Carol Gerlach

Joy to the World

Third Lesson: Light in Darkness, Isaiah 9:2, 6-7

Joy Schulz

Music *It Came Upon a Midnight Clear*
Handbell Ensemble

— arr. Larry Sue

Fourth Lesson: Peaceable Kingdom, Isaiah 11:1-9

Jeff Seehorn

Fifth Lesson: Annunciation, Luke 1:26-38

Miki Newbry

Carol *Away in a Manger* #114

Mike Gerlach

Sixth Lesson: Birth in Bethlehem, Luke 2:1-7

Carol *Hark! The Herald Angels Sing* #119

Seventh Lesson: Shepherds and Angels, Luke 2:8-16

Carol Gerlach

Music *Angels We Have Heard on High* #113

Eighth Lesson: Magi's Visit, Matthew 2:1-12

Jeff Seehorn

Carol *We Three Kings of Orient Are* #151, Vss. 1-3

Video — O Come Holy Night

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Prayers of the People
The Lord's Prayer

#134

*Carol

Call to Offering / Prayer of Dedication

Renita Jurgensen

Offertory

Gaudete

— Piae Cantiones, arr. Larry Sue

*Carol

Silent Night, Holy Night! #122

Dei Gloriam Handbell Choir, Hearts Hands and Voices & Congregation

*Benediction

*Please rise in body or spirit.

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New Worship Time: 11:00 a.m. beginning 1/4/26.

The January Series is returning. Weekdays from 1/19-30 at 10:30 a.m. in Fellowship Hall. All are welcome!

See our complete Church Calendar at <https://www.fpcmesa.org/calendar>.

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