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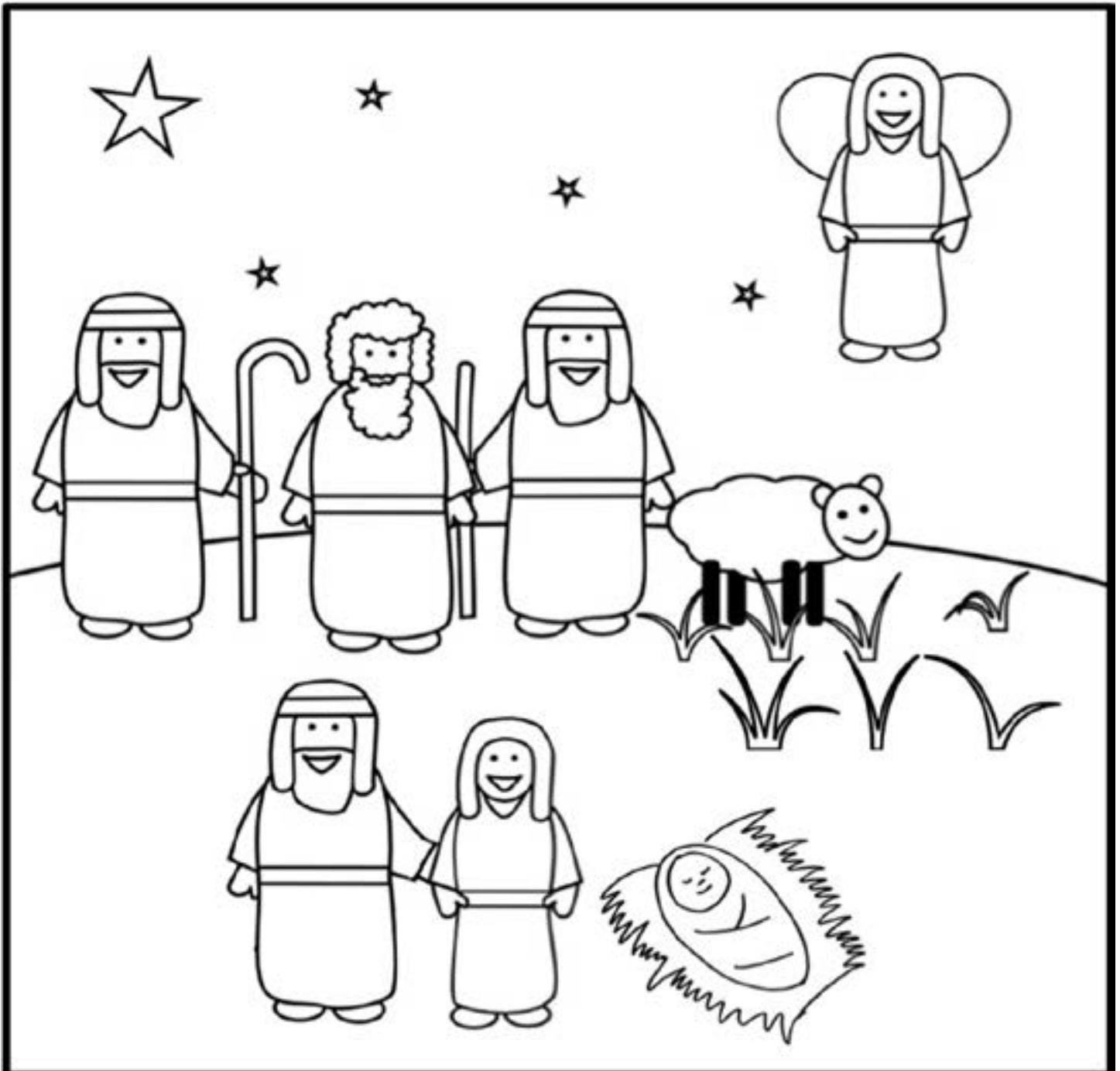
4 PM WORSHIP



SECOND  
PRESBYTERIAN  
CHURCH

# Christmas Eve

Family Service



Building Community ❖ Transforming Lives ❖ Engaging the World

# We Gather in God's Word

## PRELUDE MUSIC

*How Far Is It to Bethlehem?*

*What Child Is This?*

*Silent Night*

*Christmas Fantasia, Opus 20*

*Noel: Votre bonté grand Dieu*

*O Little Town of Bethlehem*

Paul Manz

Richard Ellsasser

Franz Gruber/Carolyn M. Taylor

Carl F. Mueller

Claude Balbastre

Wilbur Held



## WELCOME

Rev. Caroline Dennis

## CALL TO WORSHIP

Welcome to all

**Happy or sad**

Grieving or rejoicing

**Seeking or believing**

Welcome to all. Here is the good news:

to you is born this day in the City of David,

a Savior, who is Christ the Lord; His name is Jesus.

**Come let us rejoice and be glad!**



## HYMN #41

## O Come, All Ye Faithful

(Please stand)

1. *O come, all ye faithful,  
Joyful and triumphant,  
O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem!  
Come and behold Him,  
Born the King of angels!  
O come, let us adore Him,  
O come, let us adore Him,  
O come, let us adore Him,  
Christ, the Lord!*

3. *Sing, choirs of angels,  
Sing in exultation!  
Sing, all ye citizens of heaven above!  
Glory to God, all  
Glory in the highest!  
O come, let us adore Him,  
O come, let us adore Him,  
O come, let us adore Him,  
Christ, the Lord!*

2. *Yea, Lord, we greet Thee,  
Born this happy morning,  
Jesus, to Thee be all glory given;  
Word of the Father,  
Now in flesh appearing!  
O come, let us adore Him,  
O come, let us adore Him,  
O come, let us adore Him,  
Christ, the Lord!*

# We Hear God's Word for Us



## The Prophecy

SCRIPTURE: ISAIAH 7:14; 9:2; 11:1-2



HYMN #9

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

(Please stand)

(verses 1 and 3)

1. *O come, O come, Emmanuel,  
And ransom captive Israel,  
That mourns in lonely exile here  
Until the Son of God appear.  
Rejoice! Rejoice!  
Emmanuel  
Shall come to thee, O Israel!*

3. *O come, Desire of nations, bind  
All peoples in one heart and mind;  
Bid envy, strife, and discord cease;  
Fill the whole world with heaven's peace.  
Rejoice! Rejoice!  
Emmanuel  
Shall come to thee, O Israel!*

WE LIGHT THE CANDLE OF HOPE

Shirk Family



## The Annunciation

SCRIPTURE: LUKE 1:26-38; MATTHEW 1:18-25



HYMN #44

O Little Town of Bethlehem

(Please remain seated)

(verses 1 and 2)

1. *O little town of Bethlehem,  
How still we see thee lie!  
Above thy deep and dreamless sleep  
The silent stars go by.  
Yet in thy dark street shineth  
The everlasting light;  
The hopes and fears of all the years  
Are met in thee tonight.*

2. *For Christ is born of Mary;  
And gathered all above,  
While mortals sleep, the angels keep  
Their watch of wondering love.  
O morning stars, together  
Proclaim the holy birth!  
And praises sing to God the King,  
And peace to all on earth.*

WE LIGHT THE CANDLE OF PEACE

Pfadt Family

# We Hear God's Word for Us



## The Birth

SCRIPTURE: LUKE 2:1-7

SOLO

**Silent Night**  
Tom Ristine, guitar

WE LIGHT THE CANDLE OF LOVE

Sekerak/Furuness Family



## The Shepherds

SCRIPTURE: LUKE 2:8-12



HYMN #60

**Silent Night**  
(verses 2 and 4)

(Please remain seated)

2. *Silent night, holy night!*  
*Shepherds quake at the sight,*  
*Glories stream from heaven afar,*  
*Heavenly hosts sing: "Alleluia;*  
*Christ the Savior is born,*  
*Christ the Savior is born."*

4. *Silent night, holy night!*  
*Wondrous star, lend thy light;*  
*With the angels let us sing,*  
*Alleluia to our King;*  
*Christ the Savior is born,*  
*Christ the Savior is born.*



HYMN #25

**Away in a Manger**

(Please remain seated)

(Children sing verses 1 and 2, congregation joins for verse 3)

1. *Away in a manger, no crib for His bed,*  
*The little Lord Jesus laid down His sweet head.*  
*The stars in the sky looked down where He lay,*  
*The little Lord Jesus, asleep on the hay.*

2. *The cattle are lowing, the poor baby wakes,*  
*But little Lord Jesus, no crying He makes.*  
*I love Thee, Lord Jesus, look down from the sky,*  
*And stay by my side until morning is nigh.*

3. *Be near me, Lord Jesus, I ask Thee to stay*  
*Close by me forever and love me, I pray.*  
*Bless all the dear children in Thy tender care,*  
*And fit us for heaven to live with Thee there.*

WE LIGHT THE CANDLE OF JOY

Countryman Family

# WE HEAR GOD'S WORD FOR US



## Christ at the Center

SCRIPTURE: ISAIAH 9:6-7

WE LIGHT THE CHRIST CANDLE

Reynolds Family



HYMN #29

Go, Tell It on the Mountain

(Please stand)

*Chorus: Go, tell it on the mountain over the hills and everywhere;  
Go, tell it on the mountain that Jesus Christ is born!*

1. *While shepherds kept their watching  
O'er silent flocks by night,  
Behold throughout the heavens  
There shone a holy light.*

*Chorus*

3. *Down in a lowly manger  
The humble Christ was born,  
And God sent us salvation  
That blessed Christmas morn.*

*Chorus*

2. *The shepherds feared and trembled  
When lo! above the earth,  
Rang out the angel chorus  
That hailed our Savior's birth.*

*Chorus*

# We Respond to God's Word



OFFERTORY

*Joseph Dearest, Joseph Mine*  
Carol Helmling, flute

Lani Smith



PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

# We Depart in God's Word



**HYMN #40**

**Joy to the World**  
(verses 1, 2 and 4)

(Please stand)

1. *Joy to the world! the Lord is come:  
Let earth receive her King;  
Let every heart prepare Him room,  
And heaven and nature sing,  
And heaven and nature sing,  
And heaven, and heaven,  
and nature sing.*
2. *Joy to the world! the Savior reigns:  
Let us our songs employ;  
While fields and floods,  
rocks, hills and plains  
Repeat the sounding joy,  
Repeat the sounding joy,  
Repeat, repeat, the sounding joy.*
4. *He rules the world with truth and grace,  
And makes the nations prove  
The glories of His righteousness,  
And wonders of His love,  
And wonders of His love,  
And wonders, wonders of His love.*



**BENEDICTION**

Dr. Lewis F. Galloway



**POSTLUDE**



**CANDLE FAMILIES**

**HOPE** - Carol, Mike, Jennifer and Katie Shirk

**PEACE** - Janet, Bill, Jennifer and Lillian Pfadt

**LOVE** - Brett Furuness, Emily Sekerek, Violet and Joan

**JOY** - Cyndi, Nick, Natalie and Luke Countryman

**CHRIST** - Tom and Evan Reynolds

# Participants



## **PROPHET**

Alexandra Gooden

## **ANGEL GABRIEL**

Jack Thompson

## **MARY**

Alexandra Warhurst

## **JOSEPH**

Anastaia Sophey Asbury-Olaya

## **READER 1**

Bradley Getts

## **READER 2**

James Thompson

## **READER 3**

Sophia Grueninger

## **READER 4**

Emily Alberts

## **LEAD ANGELS**

Anne Vaughn

Sophia Warhurst

## **ANGELS**

Addison Boon

Claire Breitzmann

Elena Chappell

Elinam Doe

Elijah Ferency

Sloan Ferguson

Grant Gooden

Anna Grueninger

Lily Haboush

Katie Shirk

Grace Williams

## **ANGEL PUPPETEERS**

Allison Breitzmann

Max Grueninger

Valerie Kossmann

Elizabeth Nolte

Maggie Stewart

Kaylie Virkus

## **LEAD SHEPHERD**

Jack Maiers

## **SHEPHERDS**

Luke Alberts

Anais Anais S. Asbury-Olaya

Alexander Bolton

Brendan Breitzmann

Caroline Brundage

Jacob Dennis

Adam Getts

Carter Klaus

Parker Maiers

William Nolte

Jack Virkus

AJ Wilson

## **SHEEP**

Carlin Boon

Jack Brundage

Katie Carrel

Elikam Doe

Elise Klaus

Harrison Maiers

Jacob Nolte

Lillian Pfadt



## PARTICIPATING IN WORSHIP

Rev. Caroline V. Dennis,  
Associate Pastor for Children and Family Ministry

Ms. Betty Salwak  
Coordinator for Children's Ministries  
Pageant Director



## MUSIC

Monna Breland, piano  
Dale Caldwell, organ  
Tom Ristine, guitar  
Carol Helmling, flute  
Kris Sanchack, Choir Director



## CHRISTMAS JOY OFFERING

**Presbyterians have long celebrated the birth of Jesus Christ** by giving generously to the Christmas Joy Offering. Fifty percent of the offering supplements inadequate retirement income and provides supplemental medical insurance for former ministers, missionaries, church workers, and their families.

The other fifty percent supports the Presbyterian Church's long commitment to promote education through establishing and supporting racially ethnic schools and colleges. Christmas Joy Offering funds provide scholarships to deserving students as well as help with basic operating costs.

Please use the special envelopes in the pew racks for your Christmas Joy Offering, and make checks payable to Second Presbyterian Church with "Joy Offering" on the memo line.



## MEMORIAL POINSETTIAS

Those who have donated to the Memorial Poinsettia Fund may take a poinsettia home after the 11 p.m. service tonight. Please only take the plants from the slate floor of the Sanctuary or Chapel hallway and the north atrium entrance around the Christmas tree, but please leave the plastic saucers.

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