

First Presbyterian Church

December 21, 2014, 11:00 a.m. - Morning Worship

Rev. Matthew Shultz – Pastor

Jan Gruhn - Organist

Prelude: “Greensleeves” arr., Vaughan Williams

Greetings

Introit

Call to Worship-based on Luke 1:47-52 Liturgist: Chottie Angst

Leader: This is the season of holy waiting.

All: We watch for the One who scatters the proud, and lifts up the lowly.

Leader: We wait for the day when our spirits will rejoice to know God’s favor.

All: We watch while the light of day begins to fill the sky.

Leader: Come let us walk in the light of God!

All: Let us worship God together!

✠ Hymn “Angels, We Have Heard on High” #152

Advent Candles The Hazelton Family

Time of Reconciliation

Leader: God is light, and in God is no darkness at all.

All: If we say we have fellowship with God while we walk in the darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth.

Leader: But if we walk in the light, as God is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus, God’s Son, cleanses us from all sin.

All: So let us confess our sins to God, knowing that God is faithful and just, to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Leader: We confess our sin to God in the silence of our own hearts.

Moment of Silent Confession

Leader: Sisters and brothers, believe the good news of the gospel: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

All: Thanks be to God.

✠ Response Gloria Patri #805

All: Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end, Amen, Amen.

Passing of the Peace

Primary Choir “Praise to the Infant King” Man and Dennis Allen
“Christmas is a Time to Love.” Ernie & Debbie Retting

The Word

Time for Children

Choral Anthem “Morning of Promise” Martin
(Veni, Emmanuel)

Scripture one Isaiah 9:1-7 Pg 683
Scripture two Matthew 1:18-24 Pg. 955-956

Sermon: Pastor Matt Schultz

The Response

✠ Hymn “Immanuel” (see insert)

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory “An Old French Carol” arr., Manz

✠ **Response**

Doxology

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Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below; Praise God above, Ye heavenly host: Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen

✠ **Prayer of Dedication** ***Pastor Prayer and The Lord's Prayer***

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name.

Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.

For Thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory, forever, Amen

Hymn

“Go Tell it on the Mountain”

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Benediction

Postlude

“God Rest You Merry”

arr., Held

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