

First Presbyterian Church

December 28, 2014 11:00 a.m. - Morning Worship

Rev. Matthew Shultz – Pastor

Marie Matetich - Organist

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship (*inspired by Psalm 150*)

Leader: Praise the Lord!

All: Praise God in the sanctuary.

Leader: Praise God in the vault of heaven.

All: Praise God in the earth and skies.

Leader: Sing praises to the Lord.

All: Shout and sing praises to God.

Leader: We have witnessed God's mighty acts.

All: We have seen the Lord's greatness.

Leader: Let everything that breathes praise the Lord!

All: Let everything that draws breath praise the Lord!

✠ Hymn *"Hark! The Herald Angels Sing"* #171

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

The Word

Time for Children

Choral Anthem *"Immanuel"* Card

First Scripture Psalm 148 Page 623

Second Scripture Luke 2:21–40 Page 1015

Sermon: Rev. Matt Schultz

The Response

✠ Hymn *"Good Christian Friends, Rejoice"* #157

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory *"Thy Little Ones, Dear Lord, are We"* Held

✠ **Response**

Doxology

#809

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**

Pastoral 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*

Words of Institution

Distribution of the Elements

Hymn *“Go Tell it on the Mountain”* #151

Benediction

Postlude *“Oh, How Joyfully”* *Burkhardt*



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