

**Spirit of Life Presbyterian Church**  
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December 24, 2021 Worship

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Just a few notes to keep in mind:

- ◆ It is mandatory that ALL wear a mask, per recent decision from Session. Please see a Session member with questions.
- ◆ For the immediate future we will not have congregational singing indoors.

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**Prelude Song:** Noel by Chris Tomlin, Ed Cash, & Matt Redman  
(Odosá, Clara, & Oghomwen Amadasun)

**Advent Candle Reading:** (Meg, Jimmy, Charlie, Johnny Currens )

**Song:** Medley: O Come All Ye Faithful p. 133, The First Noel p. 147, Hark! The Herald Angels Sing p. 119, 1st verse of each

**Welcome:** (Rev. Rob Smith)

**Call to Worship** Isaiah 9: 2, 6-7 (Kelly Polson)

**Song:** O Little Town of Bethlehem p. 121, 1st verse

**Prayer** (Billy Boucheu)

**Song:** It Came Upon the Midnight Clear p. 123, vs 1

**Scripture Reading:** Luke 2: 1-14 (Loretta Hunt)

**Song:** Angels We Have Heard on High p. 113, vs 1

**Prayer:** (Oghomwen Amadasun)

**Song:** Away In a Manger p. 115, vs 1

**Reading: Scripture:** Luke 2: 15-20 (Kelly Polson)

**Song:** O Holy Night by Adolphe Adam (Kate Frost, singer)

**Sermon:** The Weary World Rejoices (Rev. Rob Smith)

**Response:** What Child Is This p. 134, 1st verse

**Call To Offering** (Clara Amadasun)

**Offertory** All is Well by Wayne Kirkpatrick & Michael W Smith (Spirit of Life Chamber Ensemble)

**Communion: Welcome to the Table** (Rev. Rob Smith)

**Prayer of Great Thanksgiving / Prayers of the People:**

All: 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.

**Communion**

**Communion Song:** Christmas Lullaby by Joe Mattingly (Lisa Smith & Martha Davis)

**Closing Song:** Silent Night p. 122 vs 1 – 4

1. Silent night, holy night, all is calm, all is bright. Round yon virgin mother and Child.  
Holy Infant, so tender and mild. Sleep in heavenly peace. Sleep in heavenly peace.
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!
3. Silent night, holy night! Son of God, love's pure light  
Radiant beams from Thy holy face, With the dawn of redeeming grace,  
Jesus, Lord, at Thy birth, Jesus, Lord at Thy birth.
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

**Charge and Benediction:** (Rev. Rob Smith)

## Announcements

**Session requires masks be worn for all indoor church activities (worship, M in M, Sunday School, etc) regardless of vaccination status. Thank you for your cooperation, and for your care for our community, as we continue to deal with this pandemic.**

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Thank you for joining us tonight for our annual **Candlelight Christmas Eve Worship** as we celebrate Jesus' birth!

### **News from the Christian Education Committee:**

#### Children's Sunday school Teacher schedule

Dec 26, 2021 - no SS Christmas break

Jan 2, 2022 - no SS New Year's break

Jan 9, 2022 Sunday school resumes

#### Children's Sunday School classes meet 9:30 - 10:15 a.m.

There will be a PreK - 2nd grade class and a 3rd-5th grade class. We will bring the children back to the sanctuary for the Children's sermon at 10:15 and then the children can sit with their parents during the rest of the service.

M&M will resume meeting on Wednesday, February 2, 2022.

Meet with Pastor Rob for **Coffee and Conversation Mondays, from 9:00 am to 11:00 am**. Come as you are. This is a gathering online but it is open for you to pop in and out any time during the two hour time frame so feel free to drop in and say hello. \*Note, same time and same login, recurring meeting each week. Join Zoom Meeting at <https://zoom.us/j/286584190>

Spirit of Life is working to be sustainable through **recycling**. By introducing more recycling collocated at the location of most trash cans, we can significantly reduce the amount of waste being sent to the landfill while showcasing that reducing waste can be easy. Help us to celebrate sustainability while enjoying the event. Clean plastics, tin/metal and paper should go into the recycling bins and everything else should go into the trash. Thank you! Please see Pastor Rob, any Elder or member of the staff with questions.

**Volunteers Needed:**

...We need one person each Sunday to serve as a Greeter and one person each Sunday to serve as an Usher for Sunday worship. We need two volunteers for each week. Please let Becky Brandt know what dates you are available to help and she will build a calendar. Call/text Becky at (218)779-0427 or email her at [thebrandtfam@gmail.com](mailto:thebrandtfam@gmail.com). Thank you!

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