# FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH 310 Plantation Road Perry, FL 32348 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent 11:00 am December 18, 2022

# WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

**PRELUDE** 

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PASSING OF FRIENDSHIP PADS

INTROIT "Light One Candle to Watch For Messiah"

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE

\*CALL TO WORSHIP (Isaiah 40:3-5)

Leader: Prepare the way of the Lord!

People: Lift every valley, lift every voice.

Leader: Prepare the way of the Lord!

People: And all flesh shall see the salvation of our

God.

\*Hymn

"O Come, O Come, Emmanuel"

No. 88

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Great God, as we behold the birth of Jesus again, we are mindful of how we have failed to receive the fullness of that gift. The story points us to your glory, yet we struggle to join in the song of praise and thanksgiving. We are distracted and confused, so focused on things that matter little that we overlook the good news of great joy that you have prepared. Tell us again that the Savior is born. Tell us again that we are forgiven. Tell us again that our lives can be abundant in faith, hope and love because of what you have given us in Jesus Christ. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

\*GLORIA PATRI

No. 623(Red Hymnal)

"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."

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD PROCLAIMED

ANTHEM

"O Come, All Ye Faithful"

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Psalm 80:1-7, 17-19

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Matthew 1:18-25

SERMON

Rev. Larry Green

THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & 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

"Joy To The World"

No. 134

OFFERING

**OFFERTORY** 

#### \*DOXOLOGY

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

#### OFFERTORY PRAYER

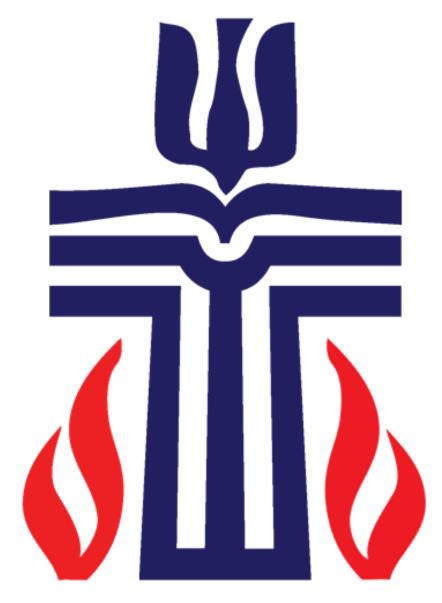
\*Hymn "Angels, From the Realms of Glory" No. 143

\*Benediction "You Shall Go Out with Joy" No. 80
The Trees of The Field

# \*Those who are able, please stand.

We warmly greet all who have come to worship God. Your presence will enhance our worship experience and our fellowship together. Sincere thanks to each of you for your participation in the service. Glory be to God!

**Leading Worship:** Rev. Larry Green; Marilyn Culpepper, Liturgist; Leah Metzger, Accompanist & Director



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<sup>\*</sup>Postlude

Hey! FPC!

Praying for All Good Things @ Home w FPC!
I am doing Good w Surgery and Now Rehab in G'ville!
My Brother Jim Wilson JR is a lot of my success and My Lord
Jesus is 100% of My Success Through this difficult time! I am
oh So Thankful! So Blessed!

May God Bless You All!

Thank You Each for Your Prayers and Well Wishes! I Am Also Very Thankful for you!

Sincerely, Jo

# Prayers Of and For The People First Presbyterian Church

Musgrove family
Teachers
Freedom
Stephen's family in Trinidad
All who are grieving
Dominic Sandonato
Carusos
Neals
covid sufferers
Earlys moving
Sandra A, moved
All who worship with us at home: Mary Lou, Sheena, Ben,
Gretchen, Jo, Glenn, Joann, Alice, Patricia, Ron, Elvena

# **Notes & Announcements**



The flowers are given by Charles and Tuckie Maultsby in memory of her son, Hunt Abney.

- Christmas Program, today, December 18th at 5 pm
- If you would like to help with finishing decorating the church for Christmas Eve please meet in the Fellowship Hall at 10 am on Friday, December 23rd.
- Christmas Eve service 5 pm
- The cost for <u>altar flowers</u> will be \$30 beginning Jan 2023
- There will be no assembly or Sunday school Dec. 25<sup>th</sup> or Jan 1<sup>st</sup>.
- <u>Ushers</u> for December 25<sup>th</sup>: Bobby Harper, Brenda Wilson, Martha Davis, Mike Perrine, Jim Culbreath
- FPC website www.firstpresperry.org

## **Session Members**

Jeanne Hilgendorf Fellowship Class of 22
Heather Speas Mission/outreach Class of 22
Alex Lutz Worship Class of 22
Joey Ratliff Administration Class of 23
Marne Helberg Worship Class of 23
Rachel Poppell Christian Education Class of 23
Sandi Hilgendorf Clerk, Fellowship Class of 23
Martha Davis Administration Class of 24
Chuck Eckel Mission/Outreach, Admin. Class of 24