

TES TO REMEMBER

- Wednesday, December 31, from 5-11 pm, FLC New Year's Eve Petersen Gallery
- Saturday, January 10, PFS Presents Pat Byrne show at 7:30 pm in the Sanctuary
- Sunday, January 11, at 11:15 am, OWL Parent meeting in Rooms 7 & 8.
- Friday, January 16, at 2 pm, Mariners Gathering at the home of
- Greg and Marylou Belknap-Jones
- Sunday, January 25, at 11:15 am, Annual Congregational Meeting in the Sanctuary

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Presbyterian Church



PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Please sign friendship pads
- Wednesday, December 31, from 5-11 pm, New Year's Eve 'All are Welcome' Party
 Thursday, Japuary 2, Church Office approx
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- Sunday, January 11, at 11:15 am, OWL meeting
- Friday, January 16, at 2 pm, Mariners
 Gathering at the home of Greg Jones and
 Marylou Belknap-Jones
 Sunday, January 25, at 11:15 am, Annual
- Congregational Meeting in the Sanctuary
- Lay Reader: Keli'i Fernandez

CALL TO WORSHIP

In worship, we hear God's story and we ask, "What did God do long ago?"
In worship, we hear God's story, so we ask,

"What is God doing, here and now?" In worship, we hear God's story, then we ask, __

"What can I do to respond to it all?" Listen, God is speaking.

Listen, it may be time to act..Let us worship our moving, inspiring, with-us God.

Amen.

OPENING HYMN

#133 O Come, All Ye Faithful

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!

True God from true God, Light from light eternal, born of a virgin, a mortal he comes; very God, begotten, not created! — Adore him; O come, let us adore him;

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, Christ, the Lord!

O come, let us adore him; O come, let us adore him; O come, let us adore him, Christ, the Lord!

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!

PASSING OF THE PEACE

Pastor: The peace of Christ be with you.

Congregation: And also with you.

Pastor: Let us offer signs of Christ's peace to one another.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

WORDS OF FORGIVENESS

CHILDREN'S TIME

Children and youth are dismissed.

SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 2:13-15, 19-23

Now after they had left, an angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream and said, "Get up, take the child and his mother, and flee to Egypt, and remain there until I tell you, for Herod is about to search for the child, to destroy him." Then Joseph got up, took the child and his mother by night, and went to Egypt and remained there until the death of Herod. This was to fulfill what had been spoken by the Lord through the prophet, "Out of Egypt I have called my son."

When Herod died, an angel of the Lord suddenly appeared in a dream to Joseph in Egypt and said, "Get up, take the child and his mother, and go to the land of Israel, for those who were seeking the child's life are dead." Then Joseph got up, took the child and his mother, and went to the land of Israel. But when he heard that Archelaus was ruling Judea in place of his father Herod, he was afraid to go there. And after being warned in a dream, he went away to the district of Galilee. There he made his home in a town called Nazareth, so that what had been spoken through the prophets might be fulfilled, "He will be called a Nazarene."

SERMON

What do you fear? Let fear fuel a fire for justice Rev. Karin Kennedy Hejmanowski

RESPONSIVE HYMN

#119 Hark! The Herald Angels Sing
Hark! The herald angels sing,
"Glory to the newborn king.
Peace on earth and mercy mild,
God and sinners reconciled!"
Joyful all ye nations, rise;
join the triumph of the skies;
with the angelic host proclaim,
"Christ is born in Bethlehem!"
Hark! The herald angels sing,
"Glory to the newborn king!"

Christ, by highest heaven adored, Christ the everlasting Lord, late in time behold him come, offspring of the virgin's womb. Veiled in flesh the Godhead see; hail the incarnate deity, pleased in flesh with us to dwell, Jesus, our Emmanuel. Hark! The herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn king!"

Hail the heaven-born Prince of Peace!
Hail the sun of righteousness!
Light and life to all he brings,
risen with healing in his wings.
Mild he lays his glory by,
born that we no more may die,
born to raise us from the earth,
born to give us second birth.
Hark! The herald angels sing,
"Glory to the newborn king!"

CORPORATE PRAYER

We have seen the valley. We have seen a sky without stars. We have seen the longest night, and still we believe. We believe in a with-us God. We believe in the hope of tomorrow. So even when our knees shake, even when our voice trembles. even when fear is all around us, we will hold onto that good news. We will reach for each other. We will look for God in our midst. We will sing songs of joy. We will proclaim: Unto us, love is born. We have seen the longest night, and we have seen unimaginable love. So still, we believe. Amen.

CLOSING HYMN

#134 Joy To The World
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 heaven and nature sing.

Joy to the earth, the Savior reigns! Let all their songs employ, while fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains repeat the sounding joy, repeat the sounding joy, repeat, repeat the sounding joy.

No more let sins and sorrows grow, nor thorns infest the ground; he comes to make his blessings flow far as the curse is found, far as the curse is found, far as, far as the curse is found.

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.

OFFERTORY

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

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