



~The Approach to God~

Greeting

Rev. Matt Nieman

Prelude

The Holy Boy (A Carol of the Nativity)
Tami Newsom, organ

Ireland

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Call to Worship

Rejoice, for God is with us – Emmanuel.

In the darkness of our world shines God's holy light.

Now there is reason to hope, to love, to laugh, to live.

God is truly with us. We are not alone. Thanks be to God!

Hymn #41

O Come, All Ye Faithful
Nancy Pevey, horn ~ Tami Newsom, organ

Adeste Fideles

Invocation

~The Word Proclaimed~

The Prophecy of the Messiah

Hymn

Longing for Light, We Wait in Darkness
Dr. Angela Batey, solo

Christ, Be Our Light

Many the gifts, many the people,
Many the hearts that yearn to belong.
Let us be servants to one another, making your kingdom come.
Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts. Shine through the darkness.
Christ, be our light! Shine in your church gathered today.

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Isaiah 9:2, 6-7



The Coming of Jesus is Announced

Luke 1:26-38

Hymn #16

The Angel Gabriel from Heaven Came
Dr. Angela Batey, solo

Gabriel's Message

Jesus is Born

Luke 2:1-7

Hymn #44

O Little Town of Bethlehem
Nancy Pevey, horn ~ Tami Newsom, organ

St. Louis

Jesus' Birth is Announced to the Shepherds

Luke 2:8-14

Hymn #23

Angels We Have Heard on High
Lynn Kszos, flute ~ Tami Newsom, organ

Gloria

The Shepherds Find the Baby Jesus

Luke 2:15-20

Meditation

“What's Familiar”

Rev. Matt Nieman

~The Response to God's Word~

Hymn #25

Away in a Manger
Lynn Kszos, flute ~ Tami Newsom, organ

Mueller

The Call for the Offering

~The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper~

The Invitation

The Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

(prayer continues)

Communion

Prayer

~The Sending~

Lighting of Candles

Hymn #60

Silent Night
Ron Pevey, guitar ~ Dr. Angela Batey, solo

Stille Nacht

Charge and Benediction

Postlude

Joy to the World
Tami Newsom, organ

Hopson

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We are a diverse and welcoming community of believers, called by God, graced by Jesus Christ, and empowered by the Holy Spirit to serve God through worship in the Reformed tradition, compassionate service to all, and the nurturing of each other so as to grow in faith together.

May God bless you richly this Christmas. May your times of worship be filled with the Spirit's presence. And may your times of rest be filled with Christ's peace.

Merry Christmas!



Church Office Hours:

Monday - Thursday 9am-3pm; Friday 9am-1pm

The Church Office will be closed on Christmas Day and the following Monday for our staff to celebrate the birth of our Lord with their families

Beginning this Sunday, December 27,
and continuing through the month of January,
FPC worship will be online only
(no indoor, in-person worship) due to the continuing rise in coronavirus cases in our region.

If the weather allows,
outdoor worship will be held at 11:00.

"Praising God, Serving Others, Growing in Faith"



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