

First Presbyterian Church
Fourth Sunday of Advent/Christmas Eve Service
December 24, 2023 ~ 11:00 a.m.

Gathering

Preservice music: Instrumental Advent
Welcome, Announcements, and Prayer Updates
Advent Wreath and Christ Candle
Prayer of Confession
Assurance of Pardon
Peace of Christ

Hearing the Word

Prayer of Illumination
The Lessons Enacted
Reading 1: Luke 2: 1-7
Reading 2: Luke 2: 8-14
Reading 3: Luke 2:15-20
Reading 4: Matthew 2:1-12
Christmas Eve Message: "The Unexpected Christmas"

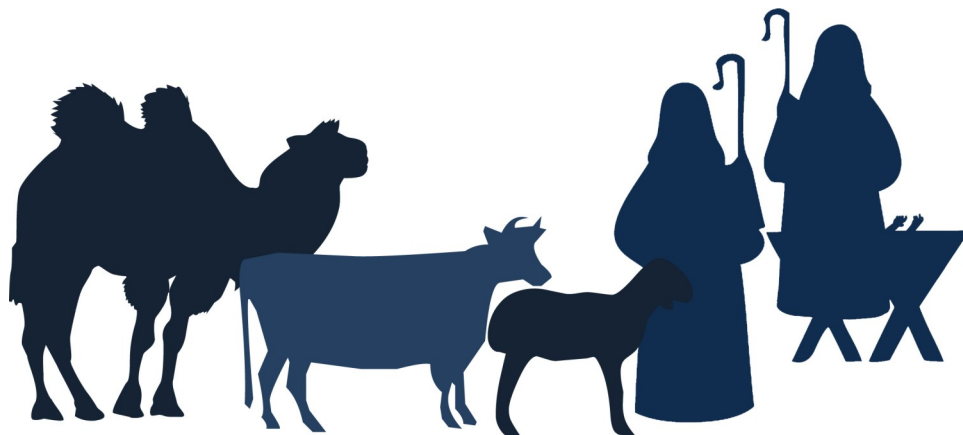
Responding to the Word

Hymn 121: O Little Town of Bethlehem
Hymn 113: Angels We Have Heard on High
Hymn 136: Go Tell It on the Mountain

*During the final song "Go tell it on the mountain" you are invited to bring your offering up to the manger.
All money collected today will go to the Kingsport City Schools Homeless Education Program.*

The Sending

Christmas Blessing



Serving Today

SOUND:

Dan Dietrich

GREETERS & USHERS:

Jamie Davis and Claudia Mihovk

THE CHANCEL FLOWERS ARE DEDICATED
TO THE GLORY OF GOD

Prayer List

PRAYER FAMILIES OF THE WEEK – Kevin, Leslie, Owen, Meghan and Evie Heindselman; Fred Martin and Diana Johnson-Martin; Cheryl Ann Hess; Lynetta Johnson; and Alan, Ashley, Mac and Emeline Hobbs.

MISSIONARIES – Eliane Menezes, Guatemala.

Birthdays This Week

Dec. 27: Carolyn Collins, Johnnie Stubblefield

Dec. 29: Mary Easley, Grace Plemmons

Dec. 30: Natalie Robertson

Dec. 31: Kim Plemmons, Anson Hagan, Charlie Lively



Christmas Eve Candlelight Communion Service

Sunday, December 24 ~ 5:00 p.m., Fellowship Center

Holiday Schedule

The church office will be closed on Monday, December 25 - Tuesday, December 26 and Monday, January 1.
The Clothes Closet will be closed on Tuesday, December 26 and Tuesday, January 2.

New Year's Eve Combined Service

Sunday, December 31 ~ 10:00 a.m., Fellowship Center