

Welcome

to Pinnacle Presbyterian Church



Tuesday, December 24, 2024 | 8:00 pm | Christmas Eve

Merry Christmas!

We are so glad to have you worshipping with us on this Christmas Eve.

We hope that by now you have already felt the warm welcome of our congregation. Should you have any questions or needs, please reach out to one of our volunteers. Please know that you are always welcome here and we pray that this would be a place where you can encounter the One born in a manger in Bethlehem!

This bulletin has been prepared to guide you through tonight's service. There are hymnal references directing you to the red songbook in the rack in front of you, and the words for most songs are printed in this bulletin.

Please fill out the friendship pad located at the end of your pew near the center aisle. If you are watching the livestream, there is a virtual friendship pad at pinnaclepres.org/watch.

Gather in God's Name

GATHERING MUSIC

Christmas Carol Medley
by Nicholas Palmer

String Quartet

WORDS OF WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

Gesu Bambino
by P. Yon | F. Martens

Schae Chapman, soprano
Daga Suchon, violin; Jonathan Lang, piano

*When blossoms flowered 'mid the snows
Upon a winter night,
Was born the Child, the Christmas Rose,
The King of Love and Light.
The angels sang, the shepherds sang,
The grateful earth rejoiced;
And at his blessed birth the stars
Their exultation voiced.*

**O come let us adore him,
O come let us adore him,
O come let us adore him,
Christ the Lord.**

*Again the heart with rapture glows
To greet the holy night,
That gave the world its Christmas Rose,
Its King of Love and Light.
Let ev'ry voice acclaim his name,
The grateful chorus swell.
From paradise to earth he came
That we with him might dwell.*

**O come let us adore him,
O come let us adore him,
O come let us adore him,
Christ the Lord.**

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

Janis & Tom Fitch

How do we start this new year?

Let us begin with hope. Let us begin with peace. Let us begin with joy.

Let us begin with love.

Yes, let us begin with love, for surely love knows your name. Today, in addition to the candles of hope, peace, joy, and love, we light the Christ Candle. For surely God is in this place. Surely the Spirit is near. Surely love knows our name.

May we rest in that good news. Unto us a child is born.

A light shines in the darkness and the darkness cannot overcome it.

Glory to God in the highest heaven! Amen.

*OPENING CAROL

No. 133 | *O Come, All Ye Faithful*

ADESTE FIDELES

arr. Lloyd Larson

*Come and worship, come and worship,
Worship Christ, the newborn King!*

1. 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!

2. 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;
O come, let us adore him;
O come, let us adore him,
Christ, the Lord!

3. 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!

*Come, let us adore him, worship and adore him.
Come and worship Christ, the newborn King!*

***CALL TO CONFESSION**

Rev. Leah Quarles

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

God of grace and truth,
in Jesus Christ you came among us
as light shining in darkness.
We confess that we have not welcomed the light,
or trusted good news to be good.
We have closed our eyes to glory in our midst,
expecting little, and hoping for less.
Forgive our doubt, and renew our hope,
so that we may receive the fullness of your grace,
and live in the truth of Christ the Lord.

Silence for personal confession.

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

***RESPONSE OF PRAISE**

NO. 113 (refrain) | *Angels We Have Heard on High*

GLORIA

Gloria in excelsis Deo!
Gloria in excelsis Deo!

***CHRISTMAS PEACE**

Rev. Dr. Michael Hegeman

The peace of the Lord be with you.
And also with you.

ANTHEM

Sussex Carol

arr. Elaine Hagenberg

Chancel Choir, String Quartet, Greg Lloyd, trumpet

Jonathan Lang, piano; Wes Hawkins, percussion

*On Christmas night all Christians sing,
To hear the news the angels bring;
On Christmas night all Christians sing,
To hear the news the angels bring,*

*News of great joy, news of great mirth,
News of our merciful King's birth.*

*Then why should all on earth be sad,
Since our Redeemer made us glad;
Then why should all on earth be sad,
Since our Redeemer made us glad;
When from our sin he set us free,
All for to gain our liberty.*

*When sin departs before his grace,
Then life and health come in its place.
When sin departs before his grace,
Then life and health come in its place.
Angels and all with joy may sing,
All for to see the newborn King.*

*All out of darkness we have light,
Which made the angels sing this night;
Then out of darkness we have light
Which made the angels sing this night,
"Glory to God in highest heav'n,
Now and for evermore, Amen!"*

Proclaim the Word of God

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Rev. Leah Quarles

Isaiah 52:7-10 (Old Testament page 683)

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM

All is Well

Chamber Ensemble

Michael W. Smith | Wayne Kirkpatrick, arr. Jamey Ray

*All is well, all is well.
Angels and all rejoice
For tonight darkness fell
Into the dawn of love's light.*

*Sing Ale,
Sing Alleluia.*

*All is well, all is well.
Let there be peace on earth.
Christ is come, go and tell
That he is in the manger.*

*Sing Ale,
Sing Alleluia.*

*All is well, all is well.
Lift up your voice and sing.*

*Born is now, Emmanuel,
Born is our Lord and Savior.
Sing Alleluia.
Sing Alleluia.*

GOSPEL LESSON

Rev. Dr. Michael Hegeman

Luke 2:1-14 (New Testament page 58)

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Creating Holy Nights

Rev. Erik Khoobyarian

SILENT REFLECTION

SPECIAL MUSIC

O Holy Night

arr. Jay Rouse

Chancel Choir, Dr. Ilona Kubiaczyk-Adler, director

Wesley Skinner, cello; Jonathan Lang, piano

O Holy Night!

The stars are brightly shining.

It is the night of the dear Savior's birth;

Long lay the world in sin and error pining,

'Til he appeared and the soul felt its worth.

A thrill of hope the weary soul rejoices,

For yonder breaks a new and glorious morn!

Fall on your knees, O hear the angel voices!

O night divine, O night when Christ was born!

O holy night divine!

Truly he taught us to love one another,

His law is love and his gospel is peace;

Chains shall he break for the slave is our brother,

And in his name all oppression shall cease.

Sweet hymns of joy in grateful chorus raise we,

Let all within us praise his holy name;

Christ is the Lord! O praise his name forever!

His pow'r and glory evermore proclaim!

His pow'r and glory evermore proclaim!

Fall on your knees, O hear the angel voices!

O night divine, O night when Christ was born!

O holy night divine!

Respond to God's Word

CHRISTMAS PRAYER

(Join in singing the refrain from Hymn No. 147 between prayers as invited by the leader.)

**Nowell, Nowell, Nowell, Nowell,
Born is the King of Israel**

(Join in the Lord's Prayer when invited.)

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.

(Following the Lord's Prayer, join in singing verse 1 from Hymn No. 147.)

**The first Nowell the angel did say
Was to certain poor shepherds
in fields as they lay,
in fields where they lay keeping their sheep,
on a cold winter's night that was so deep.
Nowell, Nowell, Nowell, Nowell,
born is the King of Israel.**

CHRISTMAS OFFERING

*For those joining us online, you may make your donation by texting
pinnaclepres to 833-245-8445 or online at pinnaclepres.org/give-now.*

OFFERTORY

See Amid the Winter's Snow
arr. Dan Forrest

Chancel Choir, String Quartet
Greg Lloyd, trumpet; Wes Hawkins, percussion
Jonathan Lang, piano; Benjamin Sidoti, organ

*Alleluia.
See, amid the winter's snow,
Born for us on earth below,
See the tender Lamb appears,
Promised from eternal years.*

Refrain:
Hail, thou ever blessed morn!
Hail, redemption's happy dawn!
Sing through all Jerusalem:
"Christ is born in Bethlehem."
Alleluia.

Lo, within a manger lies
He who built the lofty skies;
He, who, throned in light sublime,
Sits amid the cherubim!
(Refrain)

Sacred Infant, all divine,
What a tender love was thine,
Thus to come from highest bliss
Down to such a world as this!
(Refrain)

***DOXOLOGY**

No. 143, vs. 4 | *Angels, from the Realms of Glory*

REGENT SQUARE

**All creation, join in praising
God the Father, Spirit, Son,
evermore your voices raising
to the eternal Three in One:
come and worship, come and worship,
worship Christ, the newborn king!**

***SPREADING THE LIGHT OF CHRIST**

No. 122 | *Silent Night, Holy Night!*
arr. H. Sorenson

STILLE NACHT

**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,
Heav'nly 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.

No. 134 | *Joy to the World*
arr. John Rutter

ANTIOCH

1. 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 nature sing,
and heaven, and heaven and nature sing.

2. 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.

3. *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.*

4. 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.

Go in God's Name

*CHRISTMAS BLESSING

Rev. Erik Khoobyarian

*POSTLUDE

Finale from Symphony No. 1
by Louis Vierne

Dr. Ilona Kubiaczyk-Adler, organ

USHERS are Fred Brown, Joan Fudala, Mary & Chuck Goldthwaite, James Lipscomb, David Nelson, Roselyn O'Connell, Michele & Benjamin White, Sarah White, & Craig Woellner; Head Usher is Rick Hess.

MUSICIANS are Daga Suchon, violin; Luke Hill, violin; Mary Harrah, viola; Wesley Skinner, cello; Greg Lloyd, trumpet; Wes Hawkins, percussion; Benjamin Sidoti, organ, and Jonathan Lang, piano; and Dr. Ilona Kubiaczyk-Adler, organ and director.

Poinsettia Dedications

Given By:

Judi Blankenbaker
Susan & Dan Buskirk
Janet & Chuck Christoph
Janis & Tom Fitch
The Garzolini Family
Mary & Chuck Goldthwaite
Cathy & Steve Horrell
Sue & Shawn Howard
Laurie, Caroline & George Jones
Melissa Jones, Amy Clark, & Melanie Delaney
The Edward Kasmar Family

In Celebration of:

The birth of our Lord
Loved ones
Our family
Family & friends
PPC Children's Ministry staff & volunteers
Family & friends
Our families and the birth of Jesus Christ
The Buehler & Howard families
Mr. & Mrs. Frank A. Brown, Jr.; Mr. & Mrs. George V. Jones; Dr. & Mrs. Peter Bates
Our church family at Pinnacle and loved ones
Our many blessings

Poinsettia Dedications

Given By:

Ron Kevern

Jo Ann & Milt Khoobyarian

Mary Kuenstler

Katie & Mark Leinweber

Joanne & Jim McDowell

Linda & Greg Moorhead

Elaine & John Napolitan

David Schaller

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Karen & John Voris

Estelle & Eugene Wade

Marsha Zandbergen

Given by:

Lynn & Charles Ballinger

Linda Bobier

Becky Boren

Nancy & Ralph Brooks

Shirley & Fred Brown

Tricia Bull & Gary Olsen

Debbi & Gary Burdick

Jane & John Chapman

Penny & Mike Clark

Cynthia Weed Cobb

Margaret Ladd DeKock and

Nick, Lynn, Greg, Edith

DeKock

Jean Dodge

In Celebration of:

Our children & families; the Pinnacle pastors; the Men's prayer group

The Pinnacle staff & congregation

Michelle, Adam, & Lily Rogers

Our family

Our children, Amy & Audrey, Doug, Gideon & Rebecca and our grandson, Atlas

Bennett, Nellie, Griffin & Jordy

Family & friends

My wife, Kim Schaller

The "spirit" of Pinnacle Presbyterian Church

Revi & Sara Mathew and Simon & Leni Thomas

Our children & grandchildren

Our ministers and our children

Families together at Christmas

In Memory of:

Our parents

My husband, Bill Camp

Jim Boren & Lynn Stoneberger

Mr. & Mrs. Ralph Brooks, Sr. and Mr. & Mrs. Tom Bogle

Claude & Anne Brown; Homer & Jean Fiille; Charles R. Brown; and Kathryn Margolis

Gaile Barclay and Marjorie Olsen

Our parents & infant twins

Jane's brother, Craig Thompson

Chuck & Mary Gene Eldridge and Art & Eleanor Clark

James & Lucretia Weed

Dr. William H. DeKock

My parents, Lewis & Helen Brett, who, in a giant leap of faith, eloped in the early hours of Christmas 1926

Poinsettia Dedications

Given by:

Margaret Ebert

Lois & Mitch Evenson & family
Bob Finkbeiner & Sherry Gamble

Anne & Mike Foley
Cathy Garcia
Janet & Bryan Geidel

Susan & Gary Glava
Kaaren & Robert Gotwals

Teresa & Rick Hanson
Marilyn Harrer
Laurie, Caroline & George Jones

Ron Kevern

Jim Knight, Lee Knight, & Jamey Pugh
John Kraft

Jan Larson
Sherrie & David LeMoine
Don Luke & Susan Debes Brown
The McIntyre Family
Julia Mitchell
Claudia & Bud Neal
David Nelson & Bill McManus
Ruth O'Brien & Jim Irvine
The Olmert/Sidoti Family

In Memory of:

Capt. Charles Hudson & Elizabeth McLeod Nott and their sons, Hudson Malcolm & Lawrence Treat
Joel Hugh Mitchell Evenson
Mr. & Mrs. Leonard Finkbeiner and Mr. & Mrs. Conrad Gamble
Our parents and Gustave Cadet
Nicole Garcia
Our parents, Maury & Helen Guptill, Virginia & Louis Geidel, and their love
Chuck & Emmie Sullivan and Evelyn Glava
Dr. M. W. & Elizabeth Arnold and Robert & Dorothy Gotwals
Elisabeth Parten (Teresa's mother)
Richard Harrer
Mr. & Mrs. John L. Gray, Sr. and Mr. & Mrs. Frank A. Brown, Sr.
My wife, Marilyn; parents Mr. & Mrs. H. S. Kevern; twin brother, Donald Kevern, and Thomas Ito
Cheryl Knight

My parents, Edna & Clarence; my sisters, Mary Anne & Martha; and Karen Kraft
Joe Larson
Jane & Al LeMoine and Betty & Dick Grant
Merrey Lynn Luke and Frederick Allen Brown
Becky LeShana
Grandma Mary & Dad
Anna Hoover & our son, B. J. Neal, and families
James "Jimmy" Jones
Ruth D. O'Brien and Maxine J. Irvine
Joseph Phillip Olmert, Jr. & Eugene Joseph Sidoti, Jr.

Poinsettia Dedications

Given by:

Julie Oyan & family
Kim Pace & Nate Miller
Joan & Tom Perkins
Joel, Jamey, Rex, & Rachel Pugh
Bunnie & Carlton Richie
Parris Richie
Tom Rohn, Lee Knight, & Jamey Pugh
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Bob Staley
Scott, Haley & Louie Steppig
Connie & John Thompson
Mary, Jarett, & Connor Upchurch

Jeffrey Walker
Margo & Frank Walter

Diane Delores Melde Wenger
Henry, Nile, Nolan Wessel, & Danielle, Amy, Julian DeKock
Paulette & Thomas White
Stacey & Chad Williams

In Memory of:

Thomas Oyan
Our parents
Gil Ryan
Nancy Pugh
Bachi and Carl (Dad) Richie
Carl Richie
Ann Kay Rohn

Charles Ruebling
Lois Salisbury
Randy Schachtli
Wayne & Marlys Hunziker and Bill & Stephanie Smith

Frank Sobek and Richard Harrer

My wife, Liz Staley
Vema Sweitzer
Charles & Elma Cristler and John & Helen Thompson
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Mary Ellen & William Pahissa and Bill Pahissa; and James Upchurch, beloved husband & father
Jason Walker
Emelil & Robert Mudd; Robert Mudd III; and Darden Williams
Mother, Delores (Dee) Melde & father, Dr. Chris Melde
Grandpa Bill

Paulette's mother, Pauline Moore
Roxanne Chinn and Robert Trenary

SCRIPTURE: ISAIAH 52:7-10

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*How beautiful upon the mountains
are the feet of the messenger who announces peace,
who brings good news,
who announces salvation,
who says to Zion, "Your God reigns."*

8

*Listen! Your sentinels lift up their voices;
together they shout for joy,
for in plain sight they see
the return of the Lord to Zion.*

9

*Break forth; shout together for joy,
you ruins of Jerusalem,
for the Lord has comforted his people;
he has redeemed Jerusalem.*

10

*The Lord has bared his holy arm
before the eyes of all the nations,
and all the ends of the earth shall see
the salvation of our God.*

SCRIPTURE: LUKE 2:1-14

The Birth of Jesus

2 In those days a decree went out from Caesar Augustus that all the world should be registered. 2 This was the first registration and was taken while Quirinius was governor of Syria. 3 All went to their own towns to be registered. 4 Joseph also went from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to the city of David called Bethlehem, because he was descended from the house and family of David. 5 He went to be registered with Mary, to whom he was engaged and who was expecting a child. 6 While they were there, the time came for her to deliver her child. 7 And she gave birth to her firstborn son and wrapped him in bands of cloth and laid him in a manger, because there was no place in the guest room.

The Shepherds and the Angels

8 Now in that same region there were shepherds living in the fields, keeping watch over their flock by night. 9 Then an angel of the Lord stood before them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. 10 But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid, for see, I am bringing you good news of great joy for all the people: 11 to you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is the Messiah, the Lord. 12 This will be a sign for you: you will find a child wrapped in bands of cloth and lying in a manger." 13 And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host, praising God and saying,

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"Glory to God in the highest heaven,
and on earth peace among those whom he favors!"

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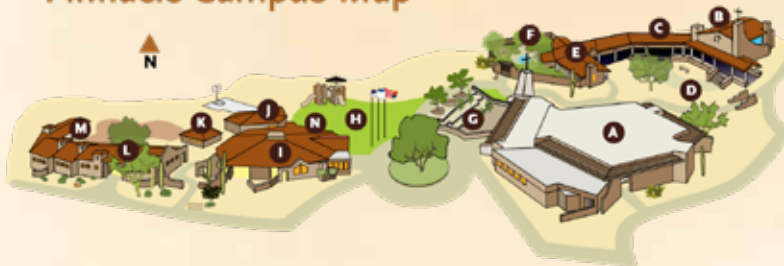
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| D Chapel Garden | I Fellowship Hall | M Preschool |
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