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Order of Service for the Worship of God Christmas Day December 25, 2011 10:30 am

Rev. Brad Munroe
Jennifer Ritter, Director of Music
Neal Osborn, Organist
Karen Rhea, Financial Secretary/Office Mgr.
Karl Fischer, Custodian

Rev. Scott VanderWal
Rev. Jill VanderWal
Rene Morrissey, Director of Youth Ministry
Lyn Mabey, Church Secretary



WELCOME GUESTS!

- **A nursery** (first floor opposite Sanctuary) is available for babies 6 weeks to children 3 years of age. **Today kids have the option to be dismissed during the sermon for an activity and lesson** . Please pick kids up after service in room 2 on the second floor.
- **Children's activity bags** are available at the end of the aisles in the sanctuary.
- Please give us your name, address, email and how you heard about First Pres. when you sign the **communication card**, and please visit the **information booth** in the fellowship hall to receive a free book, our gift to you.

"In the Heart of the City: Hospitality, Healing and Hope".

PRELUDE

Little Drummer Boy

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CALL TO WORSHIP

*HYMN

Good Christian Friends, Rejoice

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A CHRISTMAS PRAYER

CAROL SING

(We will sing FIRST and LAST verses)

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Colossians 3:15-17

(p.1235)

SERMON

See, Hear, Speak

CHRISTMAS SHARING

PRAYER OF JOYS & THE 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.

**Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil,
for thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.**

OFFERTORY

Do You Hear What I Hear?

*DOXOLOGY

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise Him the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION FOR CHRISTMAS

(Unison) We give you thanks, O Gracious God, for the gifts we received this weekend from family and friends. But greatest of all is the Gift of Your Son, whom you gave at Calvary and whom you give anew in our every breath. Give to us hearts full of gratitude that lead us to share the Gift of Gifts to all whom we meet. Amen.

*HYMN

Go, Tell It on the Mountain

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*BENEDICTION

***Thank you, Guests, for worshiping with us. Please visit our welcome table
in the fellowship hall to receive a devotional book, our gift to you.
Coffee is available for all in the fellowship hall.***

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

POSTLUDE

The Virgin Mary had a Baby Boy

*Please stand as you are able

Please Note:

Church Office Closed

Monday, December 26th

Friday December 30th &

Monday, January 2nd.

(Shortened church office hours

Tuesday thru Thursday,

December 27-29th 10 am—2pm)

Sunday, January 1st

There will be one Family service only
at 10:30 am. NO Sunday School

ANNOUNCEMENTS

We extend sympathy to:

- Arlene Jenks and family on the death of her husband.
- Tom Howard and family on the death of his son, Steve.
- To the family and friends of Bill Rains on his death.

Active Retired Presbyterians Invites All Seniors to **Chinese New Year Celebration Saturday, Dec. 31st.**

Last year's Chinese New Year was such a success that we are doing it again! This time we have the Banquet Room at the Garden Buffet which is on NE corner of Prairie and Northern. The buffet has a large selection of tasty foods, oriental and some more American style - so everyone should find something to enjoy. We will meet there at **5 pm Saturday** to celebrate an early New Years Eve with our friends - and be snug at home before the rowdies hit the roads! Please RSVP to Jane Percy 253 -7797 or email: janepearcy@msn.com

MEN'S FELLOWSHIP- Protecting the Natural Beauty of our National Parks. If you have ever enjoyed the beauty of the great outdoors in our National Parks, you will learn much about how those wonders are preserved at this session of Men's Fellowship. Karl Tameler, who spent 30 years as a Park Ranger, will be sharing some interesting stories about the efforts to interpret and protect many of our national wonders. Since our park service follows a policy of moving their staff around, Karl can share some interesting stories of how our rangers work helping us all experience some of the prize areas of our country. He will make his presentation on Tuesday, January 3rd at Denny's during our luncheon at 12 noon. You can let us know if you plan to attend by phoning Jim Brown at 543-5049 or Bill Franklin at 696-8004.

Don't forget to mark your calendar, Committees Pot Luck January 3rd at 6 pm. Mission Committee are hosts.

Starting January 8th we will have a Flapjack Fellowship on family worship Sundays for all you early risers-get up and fill up before we worship, 8:30 am - 9am. Please sign up on the communication card.

Wednesday Play Group for children 3 and under with parent or guardian will start up again **January 11th, 10:00 am.** E-mail jillvanderwal@qwestoffice.net for schedule and more details.



Christmas Joy Offering: If you would like to donate to the Christmas Joy offering, please make your check payable to First Presbyterian with "Christmas Joy" in the memo or place in the Christmas Joy envelope that is in the pews. Please only use the

envelopes for donations to the Christmas Joy Offering.

Wednesday night group, Life Together, extends invitation for new participants!

A group of 12-14 have been gathering every Wednesday night this fall. We study the passage from Luke that is the text for Sunday's sermon. We share what God is teaching us along with praying for one another. Through sharing our faith stories, we celebrate God's faithfulness in our lives. There is no commitment required, just show up and check it out on a Wednesday in January if you want to deepen relationships and explore the gospel of Luke in community.

Those that want to share a meal come at 5:30pm, or join us from 6-7pm for our study and personal connection time. Contact Pastor Scott VanderWal at svanderwal@qwestoffice.net with any questions.



**NO Presbybar on
December 28th We
will be back on
January 4th**