

PRELUDE *Medley of Carols*

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

CALL TO WORSHIP John 1

*CAROL *Joy to the World* (40)

*LITANY OF HOPE FROM THE OLD TESTAMENT

Leader: I see him, but not now; I behold him, but not near.
People: A star will come out of Jacob; a scepter will rise from Israel.
 Leader: The Lord himself will give you a sign: the virgin will be with child and will give birth to a son, and will call him Immanuel, which means “God is with us.”
People: But you, Bethlehem, though you are small among the clans of Judah, out of you will come for me one who will be ruler over Israel, whose origins are from of old, from ancient times.
 Leader: He will stand and shepherd his flock in the strength of the Lord, in the majesty of the Lord his God. And they will live securely, for then his greatness will reach to the ends of the earth. And he will be their peace.

CAROL *O Little Town of Bethlehem* (44)

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Isaiah 9

CAROL *Away in a Manger* (25)
 (“Much Crying he makes”)

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Isaiah 11

ANTHEM *Bethlehem Wind* Martin

CAROL *Angels We Have Heard on High* (23)

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON Matthew 1

CAROL *Hark! The Herald Angels Sing* (31)

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON Luke 2

CAROL *O Come, All Ye Faithful* (41)

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON Luke 2

ANTHEM *Noel We Sing* Dobbs/Daquin

MEDITATION *Come to Bethlehem*

CHRISTMAS PRAYER AND THE LORD’S PRAYER

SOLO *O Holy Night*

*CAROL *Silent Night* (60)

*BENEDICTION

*BENEDICTION RESPONSE *Gloria!*

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

POSTLUDE *Carols on the Chimes*

Spiced cider will be served in the Fellowship Hall following the service.

Musicians for tonight’s service include Jennifer Ritter, soloist, Neal Osborn, organist, and the Chancel Choir.

Christmas Schedule

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)

Christmas Day, Sunday, December 25th

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

Sunday, January 1st

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

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 Pearcy 253 -7797 or email: janepearcy@msn.com

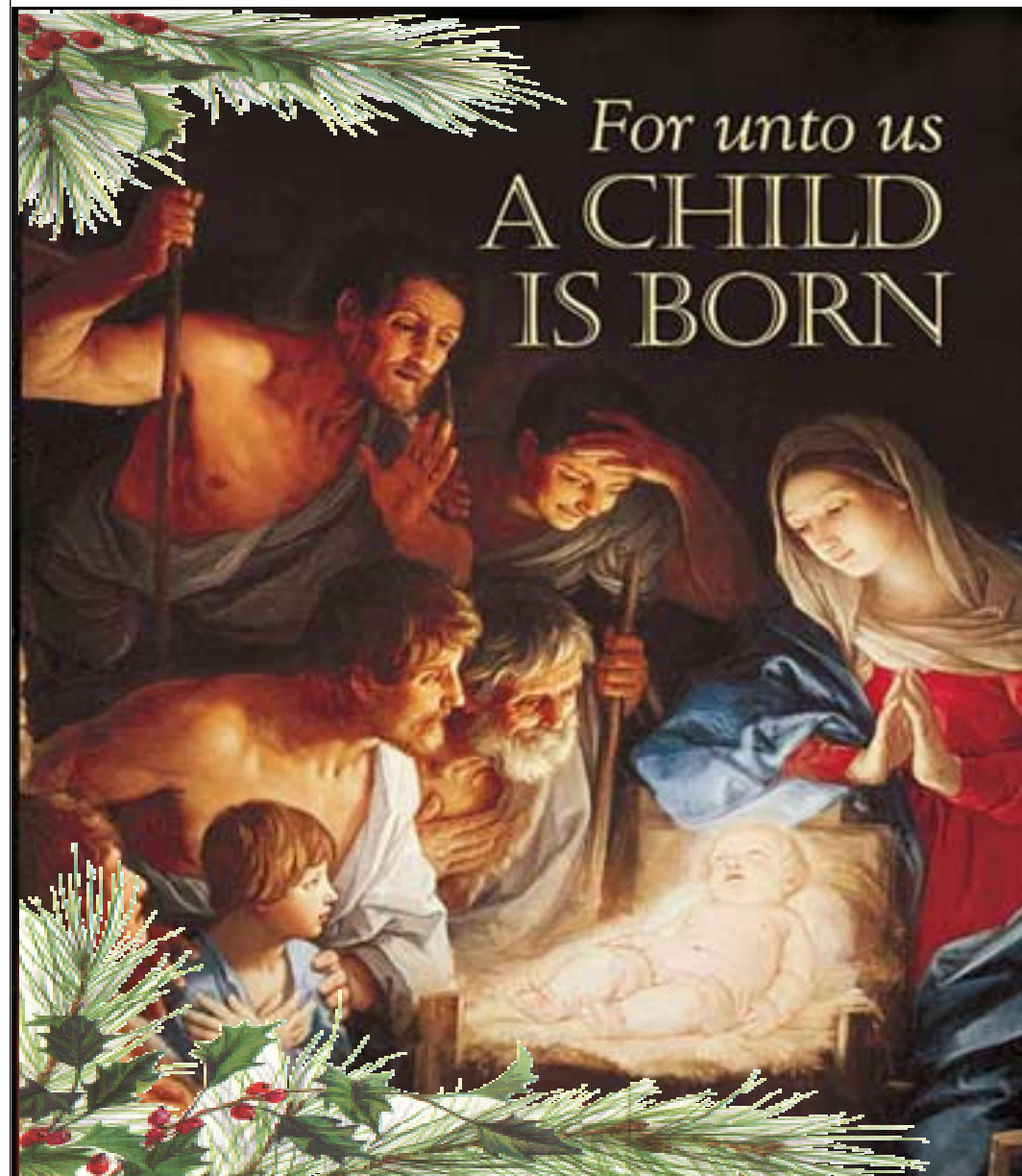
Don't forget to mark your calendar, Committees Pot Luck January 3rd at 6 pm. Mission Committee are hosts.

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.

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.

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**December 24th, 2011
7:00 pm**



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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.