



Sofia de la Cruz age 7

Artist: Sofia de la Cruz, age 7



Artist: Alex Long, age 7



Artist: Sam Long, age 9



Artist: Sophia Gandy, age 9

**CHRISTMAS EVE FAMILY WORSHIP**  
**DECEMBER 24, 2022**  
**4:00 PM**

**December 24, 2022 ~ Christmas Eve**  
4:00 p.m. Candlelight Family Worship (Sanctuary)

\*please stand as you are able

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**Welcome and Opening Prayer**

Rev. Stuart Spencer

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**Music in Preparation for Worship**

***Hydom, Hydom***

Junior Choir; Rebecca Neindorff, Piano

Czech Carol, arr. Mitchell

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**Introit**

***Christmas Tells of Jesus***

Rhea

***Sing About Jesus***

Butler

***Why It's Christmas***

Kirkland

Primary Choir; Rebecca Neindorff, Piano

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**Lighting of the Christ Candle**

Gordon Family

Paul and Rachel Gordon, Avery, Isaac, Freddy, and Caroline

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**Call to Worship (adapted from Luke 1: 46b-55)**

Rev. Spencer

My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior,

**for he has looked with favor on the lowliness of his servant. Surely, from now on all generations will call me blessed;**

For the Mighty One has done great things for me, and holy is his name.

**His mercy is for those who fear him from generation to generation.**

He has shown strength with his arm; he has scattered the proud in the thoughts of their hearts.

**He has brought down the powerful from their thrones, and lifted up the lowly;**

He has filled the hungry with good things, and sent the rich away empty.

**He has helped his servant Israel, in remembrance of his mercy,**

according to the promises he made to our ancestors, to Abraham and his descendants forever.

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**Hymn No. 146**

***Joy to the World***

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**Lesson 1: Blessing Promised**

*Genesis 22:15-18*

Clara Rose

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**Hymn No. 133 (verse 1)**

***O Come, O Come Emmanuel***

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**Lesson 2: The Christ Promised**

*Isaiah 9:2, 6-7*

Jacob Allen

***A Joyful Advent Song***

Kunkel

Junior Choir; Rebecca Neindorff, Piano

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### Lesson 3: A Child Promised

Luke 1:26-38

Sofia de la Cruz

#### **How Far Is It to Bethlehem?**

Junior Choir; Rebecca Neindorff, Piano

David Music

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### Lesson 4: A Promise Fulfilled

John 1:1-14

Rev. Stuart Spencer

#### **Sing Noel**

Yanellie Pabon Garcia and Christine Bass

arr. Tom Fettle

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### Christmas Prayer

Rev. Wes Allen

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### Offering

*Special Christmas Green offering envelopes are in the pews for your gift.*

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### Offertory

#### **One Small Child**

Yanellie Pabon Garcia and Christine Bass; Rebecca Neindorff, Piano

arr. Rodger Emerson

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### Message

Rev. Allen

#### **"An Amazing Gift"**

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### Response

#### **Break Forth, O Beauteous Heavenly Light**

Worship Team

Bach

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### Lighting of the Candles

*When receiving a flame from the person next to you, be careful to tip your UNLIT candle to the lit one.  
As we light our candles remembering Jesus is the Light of the World, let us stand and sing ...*

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### \*Hymn No. 152 (candles become lit)

#### **Angels We Have Heard on High**

Angels we have heard on high sweetly singing o'er the plains  
and the mountains in reply echo back their joyous strains.  
Gloria in excelsis Deo! Gloria in excelsis Deo!

Shepherds, why this jubilee? Why your joyous strains prolong?  
Say what may the tidings be which inspire your heavenly song?  
Gloria in excelsis Deo! Gloria in excelsis Deo!

Come to Bethlehem and see him whose birth the angels sing;  
Come, adore on bended knee Christ the Lord, the newborn King.  
Gloria in excelsis Deo! Gloria in excelsis Deo!

See within a manger laid Jesus, Lord of heaven and earth!  
Mary, Joseph, lend your aid, sing with us our Savior's birth.  
Gloria in excelsis Deo! Gloria in excelsis Deo!

## \*Hymn No. 164

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### ***Silent Night! Holy Night!***

**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.**

**Silent night! Holy night! Wondrous Star, lend thy light;  
With the angels let us sing, Alleluia to our King.  
Christ the Savior is born; Christ the Savior is born.**

**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.**

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## **Benediction**

Rev. Allen

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## **4:00 pm Christmas Eve Worship Ministry**

<b>Audio Technician:</b>	Harris E. Ransom
<b>Live Streaming:</b>	Harris A. Ransom
<b>Musicians:</b>	Rebecca Neindorff (piano), Noah Migrala (clarinet) and Jessica Migrala (flute)
<b>Worship Team:</b>	Yanellie Pabon Garcia, Christine Bass, and Martin Bass
<b>Ushers:</b>	Steve Connlain, Greg Connlain, Dave Barr, Matt La Grou
<b>Property Staff:</b>	Sam Caraballo, Steve Cashmer and Steve Margerum
<b>Trustee Greeter:</b>	Bill Conner

**Holiday Schedule** -- The church campus will be CLOSED Dec. 26, 27, and 30th for the Christmas holiday. The church office will be OPEN Dec. 28, 29 and January 2, 2023. *Merry Christmas and Happy New Year from the First Presbyterian Church staff.*

**Sunday, December 25:** Combined Christmas Day worship in the Sanctuary at **9:30 a.m.** with guest preacher Rev. Dr. Jonathan Miller. There will be no Sunday School nor nursery care. A brunch will follow the worship service.

**Epiphany Concert:** Please join us on **Sunday, January 8, 2023** at 8:30 a.m. DURING the traditional worship service. The Adult Choir, Chapel Choir, Junior Choir and Choristers will be singing carols, songs, and anthems of the season.

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