

Christmas Eve
December 24, 2025
Welcome to Worship



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Prelude and Procession

Nicki Kerns

Welcome

Rev. Diane Ford

Introit

Peace, Peace - by Fred Bock

Choir

Lighting the Advent Candles and Christ Candle

Chad, Amanda,
Skye, and Rosie Bell

As all four candles are being lit...

We have lit the Advent candles, listening and noticing. The world says, "All is lost." God says, "All is loved." A voice cries out in the wilderness, "Prepare the way of the Lord!" A choir sings in the silence, "Come, Prince of Peace." The news says, "Worry." We say, "Rejoice!" The darkness says, "The light is dying." The light says, "The fire is growing."

On this Christmas Eve we listen and notice. "Good News of great joy," the angel said, "for unto you a savior is born." "Peace on earth," the choir sang, "for God reigns in the highest." "Follow me," a star beckoned, "for Hope was born in Bethlehem."

As the Christ candle is lit (responsive)...

As we light the Christ candle,
we watch for the Christmas story around us.
Emmanuel has come and is coming.
Come, all ye faithful, and worship God.

Carol #41

O Come, All Ye Faithful, vs. 1, 3

Message with the Children

Diane

Carol #25

Away in a Manger, vs. 1, 2

Retelling the Story in Word and Song

Scripture: Is.11:1-2, 5-6 Sandy Thormann
Carol #9 *O Come, O Come, Emmanuel* vs. 1,3

Scripture: Luke 1:26-31, 38 Jerry Thormann
Carol #16 *The Angel Gabriel from Heaven Came*, vs. 1, 2

Scripture: Luke 2:1-7 Mayre Vincent
Carol #43 *O Little Town of Bethlehem*, vs. 1, 3

Scripture: Luke 2:8-14 Chad Bell
Carol #56 *The First Nowell*, vs. 1, 2

Scripture: Luke 2:15-20 Debbie Bates
Carol #40 *Joy to the World*, vs. 1,4

Christmas Message Rev. Diane Ford

Offertory *Christmas Time is Here*
by Vince Guaraldi Nicki Kerns

The Lighting of the Candles

Anthem

Peace This Christmastime
by Herb Frombach & David Lantz III

Choir

*In Bethlehem, this little town,
God chooses to become like us.
We celebrate this Christmastime
A humble birth, yet glorious.*

*Our hearts are filled with endless hope.
Our souls abound with lasting joy.
We celebrate this Christmastime
The birth of Christ, a baby boy.*

**An angel announces the Savior's birth
And a host of angels join in;
"Glory to God in the Highest
And peace to all people on earth."*

*We pray for peace this Christmastime,
For all humanity,
For all to live together in peaceful unity.
Peace this Christmastime.*

*We welcome Him, the Prince of Peace,
Who comes to live with us on earth.
We celebrate this Christmastime,
Our Savior's precious holy birth.
(repeat from *)*

Carol #60

Silent Night (lyrics on back page)

Special Thanks to Our “Saints”

Pastor: Rev. Diane Ford

Music Director: Nicki Kern

Greeter: Dan Rutan

Ushers: Lee Duffus and Pete Halper

Readers: Debbie Bates, Chad Bell, Jerry Thormann,

Sandy Thormann, Mayre Vincent

Lighting of the Candles: Chad, Amanda, Skye, and Rosie Bell

Welcome to Trinity Presbyterian Church Are you new today? We look forward to getting to know you. Please fill out a visitor welcome card and place it in the offering plate during the Call to Offering. After worship, join us for coffee/refreshments in the Fellowship Hall. We're glad you're here!



Please continue to remember these people and situations in your prayers.

- The Taiwanese American Presbyterian Church in San Jose: blessings on their special ministry.
- Pete Halper: gratitude, joy, and happiness for so many blessings in his life.
- Rosie Bell: thankful for the opportunities that dance has provided in her life.
- The lonely during this holiday season: recognition of God's presence in their lives.
- The people of Gaza: safety and peace and God's blessings.
- The Zion Church in China and it's Christian leaders: confronting suppression of religious expression by the government.
- Eric, a friend of Jerry Thormann: mourning the passing of his wife, Karla.
- Dan Rutan: thankful for reconnecting with a cousin.



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Office Hours: Tuesday -Thursday 10:00 – 2:00 ❖ Sunday Worship 10:30 a.m.



The Christmas Poinsettias are Dedicated by...

Charlene Barnes	in memory of Dr. Bob Scott, Hazel Nutt, and the Darling Family; and in honor of our Church Family
Michael & Barbara Christie	in memory of Betsy Williams & Bob Williams
Eschen-Pipes Family	in Memory of Charles, Martha, & Bette Pipes, Cindy P. Arnst, and Jim and Mollie Eschen
Kim Johnston	in memory of the Johnston Family
Jeff & Patti Lawton	in memory of Dr. & Mrs. Earl Lawton, and Robert & Ann Ferguson
Dan & Vickie Rutan	in memory of Bill & Joey Bear, and Mary Jane Rutan
Sandra Thormann	in memory of Jerry & Martha Thormann, Irene & Peter Wilt, and Sharon Weld
Larry & Lorraine Vilardo	in honor of Great Grandson, Wells Dawon
Karen Wichelmann	in memory of Tom Wichelmann, and in honor of the Sebeldina Family
Richard & Roberta Zakarian	in memory of Jerry Lambert

***Thank you for your donations. Please take your poinsettias home today
or Sunday after service***

Silent Night

- 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,
Darkness flies, all is light;
Shepherds hear the angels sing,
"Alleluia! hail the King!
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.**
- 4. 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.**