
Worship with Children's Pageant at 4:00 p.m.

Prelude

Noël Louis Claude Daquin

Introit

"Infant Holy, Infant Lowly" A. E. Rusbridge

Processional

"On This Day Earth Shall Ring" Gustav Holst

Lighting of the Christ Candle

*Carol 133 "O Come, All Ye Faithful"

First Lesson: LUKE 1:26-33, 38 New Testament, page 53

Mary's Song "Magnificat" by C. Winfred Douglas

Anthem

"Come, Come, Emmanuel" Lynn Shaw Bailey and Becki Slagle Mayo

Second Lesson: LUKE 2:1-7 New Testament, page 54

Carol 115 (*congregation remains seated*) "Away in a Manger"
(*Children in **animal** costumes are invited to come forward at the start of the hymn.*)

Third Lesson: LUKE 2:8 New Testament, page 54

*Carol 136 "Go, Tell It on the Mountain"

(*Children in **angel** and **shepherd** costumes are invited to come forward
at the start of the hymn.*)

Fourth Lesson: LUKE 2:9-14 New Testament, page 54

Anthem

"Angels We Have Heard on High" Edward S. Barnes

Fifth Lesson: LUKE 2:15-20 New Testament, page 55

Anthem

"What Child Is This?" English ballad
(*All children in costumes return to their parents.*)

Sixth Lesson: MATTHEW 2:1-2, 10-11 New Testament, page 1

Anthem

"We Three Kings" John H. Hopkins Jr.

**Stand as you are able.*

Presentation of the White Gifts

(The congregation remains seated and sings the first four verses of "The First Nowell," Carol 147. During this hymn, any child who has a gift of white socks is welcome to come forward and place them by the manger.)

Offertory Anthems

- "People, Look East" Martin Shaw
- "Ding-Dong! Merrily on High!" Rosephanye Powell

Prayer of Dedication

The Lord's Prayer *(unison)*

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed by 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.

Homily

Spreading the Light *(congregation remains seated)*

Songs of Praise *(congregation remains seated)*

O little town of Bethlehem, how still we see thee lie!
 Above thy deep and dreamless sleep the silent stars go by.
 Yet in thy dark streets shineth the everlasting light;
 the hopes and fears of all the years are met in thee tonight.

For Christ is born of Mary, and gathered all above,
 while mortals sleep, the angels keep their watch of wondering love.
 O morning stars, together proclaim the holy birth,
 and praises sing to God the king, and peace to all the earth.

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! Shepherds quake at the sight;
 glories stream from heaven afar, heavenly hosts sing
 "Alleluia: Christ the Savior is born; Christ the Savior is born!"

Silence

*Carol 134 "Joy to the World"

*Benediction

Postlude: Bring a Torch, Jeanette Isabella Keith Chapman

Family Service at 6:00 p.m.

Prelude

Noël Louis Claude Daquin
From Heaven Above to Earth I Come. Johann Pachelbel
What Child Is This Searle Wright
Silent Night, Holy Night. Samuel Barber

Introit

“Saw You Never, in the Twilight” Harold Friedell

Opening Responses

Leader: *Welcome to all:*

People: **happy or sad, rejoicing or grieving, seeking or believing.**

Leader: *Welcome to all, here is good news:*

People: **to us is born this day, in the city of David,
a Savior, who is Christ the Lord.**

Leader: *His name is Jesus, which means “Liberator,”
“Rescuer,” “Deliverer.”*

People: **His life changed the world.
His living presence changes us today.**

Leader: *So lift up your hearts and rejoice!
Give thanks to God for God’s Love Made Flesh!*

People: **O come, let us adore him!**

*Carol 133 “O Come, All Ye Faithful”

Lighting of the Christ Candle

Anthem

“Shepherds, Shake Off Your Drowsy Sleep” Robert MacDonald

A Time with Children

*Carol 113 “Angels We Have Heard on High”

The Story of Jesus’ Birth: LUKE 2:1–20 New Testament, page 54

*Carol 145 “What Child Is This”

Meditation Shannon J. Kershner

*Carol 121 “O Little Town of Bethlehem”

Prayer

Offering

Offertory Anthem

“Noël” Carl Schalk

Spreading the Light: “Silent Night” (*see the back of the bulletin for words*)

Unison Prayer

This night, O God, the soles of your feet have touched the earth.
This night, O God, the back street and the forgotten place have been lit up with significance. This night, O God, the households of earth welcome the King of Heaven. For you have crept in beside us; you have come among us; you are one of us. So may our songs rise to your throne as our knees bend at your cradle. Amen.

*Carol 134 “Joy to the World”

*Benediction

Postlude: Bring a Torch, Jeanette Isabella Keith Chapman

4:00 Children’s Pageant

Matt Helms <i>Associate Pastor for Children and Family Ministry</i>	Ben Lukens
Briana Belding-Peck <i>Family Ministry Coordinator</i>	Sally Morgan
Katie Patterson <i>Junior High and Youth Mission Coordinator</i>	Emmy Prater
Joan Bahnfleth	Gavin Daniels
Henry Turner	The Cherub and the Children’s Choirs
	Katy Sinclair <i>Associate Director of Music for Children and Youth</i>
	Hsing-Huei Huang <i>Pianist</i>

6:00 Family Service

Shannon J. Kershner <i>Pastor</i>	The Handbell Choir and the Chancel Choir
Judith L. Watt <i>Associate Pastor</i>	John W. W. Sherer <i>Organist and Director of Music</i>
Emma and Addison Morley	Thomas E. Gouwens <i>Associate Organist</i>
Caroline Cochran	Briana Belding-Peck <i>Director of the Handbell Choir</i>
Addie and Tim Cook	

8:30 Service of Lessons and Carols

Shannon J. Kershner <i>Pastor</i>	Judith L. Watt <i>Associate Pastor</i>
Arlene Raine <i>Member</i>	Matt Helms <i>Associate Pastor</i>
Layton Williams <i>Pastoral Resident</i>	Hardy H. Kim <i>Associate Pastor</i>
John Dallas Jr. <i>Member</i>	Tower Brass and the Morning Choir
Nanette Sawyer <i>Minister for Congregational Life</i>	Aaric Gray <i>Soloist</i>
Jeffrey Doane <i>Parish Associate</i>	John W. W. Sherer <i>Organist and Director of Music</i>
Victoria G. Curtiss <i>Associate Pastor</i>	Thomas E. Gouwens <i>Associate Organist</i>
	Matthew Comerford <i>Artistic Director of Tower Brass</i>

11:00 Service of Lessons and Carols

Shannon J. Kershner <i>Pastor</i>	Judith L. Watt <i>Associate Pastor</i>
Ann Murray <i>Member</i>	Matt Helms <i>Associate Pastor</i>
Layton Williams <i>Pastoral Resident</i>	Hardy H. Kim <i>Associate Pastor</i>
Robert Crouch <i>Member</i>	Tower Brass and the Morning Choir
Nanette Sawyer <i>Minister for Congregational Life</i>	Aaric Gray <i>Soloist</i>
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Service of Lessons and Carols at 8:30 and 11:00 p.m.

Prelude

Joy to the World	Robert Hobby
Noël	Louis Claude Daquin
Jesus, Be My Firm Foundation	Johann Sebastian Bach
From Heaven Above to Earth I Come.	Johann Pachelbel
Beside Thy Cradle Here I Stand	J. S. Bach
What Child Is This	Searle Wright
Good Christian Friends, Rejoice	Rich Mays
Silent Night, Holy Night.	Samuel Barber
O Holy Night	Adolphe Adam

Introit: “Saw You Never, in the Twilight” Harold Friedell

*Call to Worship from Isaiah 9:2 and John 1:5

Minister: *The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light.*

People: Those who lived in a land of deep darkness—
on them light has shined.

Minister: *The light shines in the darkness.*

People: And the darkness did not overcome it.

Minister: *Christ is born in Bethlehem.*

People: Come, let us adore him!

*Invocation

*Carol 140 “Once in Royal David’s City” (*stanza 1 sung by soloist*)

*Prayer for Christmas Eve

Leader: *The Word became flesh and dwelt among us,
full of grace and truth.*

People: Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to all people on earth. Alleluia!

All: Living God, on this holy night we gather—to stand with
shepherds, amazed at your glory; to sing with angels, rejoicing
in your work; to wait with Joseph, trusting in your promise;
to sit with Mary, cradling your love. May the good news of
this night inspire us to tell the world of our great joy: for to
us is born a Savior, the Messiah, the Lord. Glory and praise
to you forever! Amen.

Lesson: ISAIAH 9:2–7 Old Testament, page 600

Anthem: “En Natus est Emmanuel” Michael Praetorius

**Stand as you are able.*

Lesson: PSALM 98	Old Testament, page 521
*Carol 133	“O Come, All Ye Faithful”
Lesson: LUKE 1:26–35, 38	New Testament, page 53
Anthem: “There Is No Rose of Such Virtue”	John Joubert
Lesson: LUKE 2:1–12	New Testament, page 54
*Carol 121	“O Little Town of Bethlehem”
Lesson: LUKE 2:13–20	New Testament, page 55
Christmas Homily	Shannon J. Kershner
*Carol 113	“Angels We Have Heard on High”
Lesson: 1 JOHN 4:7–9, 16B	New Testament, page 226
Prayer	
Offering	
Offertory Anthem: “O Magnum Mysterium”	Morten Lauridsen
Lesson: JOHN 1:1–5	New Testament, page 86
Spreading the Light: “Silent Night” (<i>see the back of the bulletin for words</i>)	
*Unison Prayer	
Christ among us, Light of the world,	
heal our brokenness and bring us to wholeness;	
ease our pain and bring us hope, strength, and life.	
Give us new heart, new hope, and a new song,	
that our prayers and deeds may be one.	
We ask it in the name of our baby King, your Love-Made-Flesh,	
Jesus our Christ, who lives and reigns with you	
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.	
*Carol 119	“Hark! The Herald Angels Sing”
*Benediction	
Postlude: Now Is the Triumph Completed	J. S. Bach

Gifts of socks, known as “White Gifts” from the tradition of wrapping them in plain white paper, are being collected in baskets in the Narthex, at the back of the Sanctuary, at the 6:00, 8:30, and 11:00 services. At 4:00, they are presented as part of the service.

The “**Light Up a Life**” offering supports mission and community outreach, including Chicago Lights programs; congregational programs; and denominational programs. Gifts can be made using the offering envelopes in the pew racks or by writing “Light Up a Life” on the memo line of a check made payable to Fourth Presbyterian Church.

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! 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!"

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.

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.

Gifts supporting Christmastime Sanctuary adornments have been made in memory and in honor of family, friends, and loved ones.

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