

# First Presbyterian Church | Kerrville

Christmas Eve Candlelight Service

December 24, 2022 5:00 p.m.

Building a Community of Disciples Growing toward God-centered worship Christ-centered service Spirit-led lives

#### FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH CHRISTMAS EVE FAMILY WORSHIP SERVICE DECEMBER 24, 2022 5:00 P.M. ORDER OF WORSHIP

We Wish You A Merry Christmas Prelude arr. Miller Pastor Jack Haberer WELCOME **†**CALL TO WORSHIP On this holiest of nights We come, joining the shepherds Who are stunned with wonder. On this totally silent night We come, our hopes and dreams Joining those of Mary and Joseph. On this night of carols and candlelight We come, our glad songs harmonizing With the choirs of the angels. On this night of gifting and receiving We come, joining the Magi, Bringing our gifts to the Christ Child Whom God has given us. **†**PRAYER OF ADORATION Pastor Susan Montoya O Come All Ye Faithful **†**CAROL 133 LESSON Matthew 1:18-25 Beth Cunningham Solo Mary Did You Know? Hunter de Saegher (Mary and Joseph enter) Emilia Graham Lesson Luke 2:1-7 O Little Town of Bethlehem **†**CAROL 121 (Baby Jesus enters) Jadice Barnes LESSON Luke 2:8-14 CAROL 115 Away In A Manger (Camel and donkey enter) Luke 2:15-20 LESSON Lucy Cunningham

†Carol 113	Angels We Have Heard on High (Sheep enters)	
Lesson	Matthew 2:1-12	Robert Jackson
CAROL 145	What Child Is This (Magi enter)	verses 1 & 3 only
Offering		
OFFERTORY	I Saw Three Ships	CJ Goodyear
CAROL 136	Go, Tell It On The Mountain	Children/Youth Choir
Homily with Children	While Shepherds Kept Their Watching	Dr. Haberer
PRAYER FOR PEACE		
<b>†</b> PASSING OF LIGHT (Please keep lit candles upright as you pass the light)		
<b>†</b> Carol	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! Shepherds quake at the sight. Glories stream from heaven afar. Heavenly 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. (raise candle) 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.		
<b>†</b> Blessing		

From service of worship to service in God's world.



## Thank You for Serving Today

#### Worship Leaders

Jack Haberer, Sabrina Adrian, Seth Lafler, Audrey Mitchell, Emily McAllister, Bill Swart, Wes Lane

#### <u>Ushers</u>

Jean Weber, Eunice McCoy, Donna Brewton, Emily McAllister, Sam McAllister

#### **Musicians**

CJ Goodyear, Hunter de Saegher, Andrew Dodson

End of Year Giving: Your tithes, offerings and special end-of-year gifts are greatly appreciated at this time. Completing 2022's commitments and pre-giving 2023 commitments are especially appreciated. Please keep in mind IRS requirements that such gifts be given either in person or via our website by December 31. USPS mailed checks need to be postmarked by that date. Again, many thanks to you for all giving through 2022.

### **First Presbyterian Church**

#### **Staff and Worship Leaders**

#### Pastors:

#### **Ministry Staff:**

Dr. Sabrina Adrian, Organist

Rev. Dr. Jack Haberer, Interim Pastor Rev. Susan Montoya, Parish Associate Eldon Sheffer, Commissioned Ruling Elder

#### Support Staff:

Mary Stone, Business Administrator Alicia Martin, Asst. Administrator Alfred Valero, Facilities Manager Wes Lane, Media Specialist Seth Lafler, Choir Director Shannon Tuschak, Care Coordinator Audrey Mitchell, Dir. of Children's Ministry Emily McAllister, Dir. of Youth & Young Adult Ministry Alysse O'Brien, Children's Music Director Scott Russell, Children's Corner Director Ann Reynolds, YES Center Director Ministers — All Our Congregation

#### Calendar Highlights at First Presbyterian

For a full listing of church events, log on to www.fpckerrville.org and click on "Calendar".

Sunday, December 25 Christmas Day 11:00 Worship Service—Sanctuary & Live Streaming

Monday, December 26 Church Offices Closed

- Tuesday, December 27 Church Offices Closed
- Wednesday, December 28 Church Offices Closed

Thursday, December 29 1:00 Youth Trip—Six Flags

Friday, December 30

Saturday, December 31 12:00 HOPE'S Kitchen—Family Life Center

Sunday, January 1 Communion Sunday New Year's Day

11:00 Worship—Sanctuary & Live Streamed

The church offices will be closed on December 26,27, 28, and January 2.



## **First Presbyterian Church**

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# **Bulletin Notes**

Large print bulletins are available from an usher.

†Please stand if able.

Bold type indicates unison response.

A video recording of each week's service is available on our website (http://www.fpckerrville.org). If you would like a written copy of a sermon or a church bulletin, please contact the church office.

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Please take time to silence your cell phones

so we may all be fully present in this time and space.



# Let Us Pray

...for our troops, especially for those serving in war-torn countries, and for refugees all over the world.

...for those in the hospital, including Bob Bowers, and Harlan Helmers..



## Worship Notes

After the service, please extinguish candles and place candles and holders in the red containers located at the exit in the Narthex.

**Welcome, visitors!** For more information about First Presbyterian Church, be sure to visit our website at *www.fpckerrville.org.* Our regular Sunday worship services are at 8:30 and 11:00 a.m.

**Stephen Ministry** cares for people in crisis or transition. For more information, visit the "Serve" page at www.fpckerrville.org.

**Prayer or Praise Request?** Prayer request cards can be found in the pews or you may complete your request on our website at www.fpckerrville.org and it will head right to our prayer team.

# Announcements

#### • Kirkin' of the Tartan coming Jan 15

Don your tartan kilts, sashes, ties, and jewelry! The 2023 version of Kirkin' of the Tartan is upon us. We'll then gather inside for the 11:00 service followed by fellowship amid a shortbread feast in Ryan Hall. We are inviting the larger "Scots of the Hill Country" family, too.

Do you know any other Scots? Invite them, too. In fact, invite all friends of all clans – even "Clan-less" foreigners are welcome, too!.

We will welcome, name and honor all clans present in the worship service – with the blessing of Kirk Sheel's bagpiping, accompanied by our own Dr. Sabrina Adrian on the magnificent Jeimlich organ.

It will help us greatly if attendees will call or email us in advance to let us know to which clan you belong. Contact Alicia in the church office: <u>amartin@fpckerrville.org</u>; or (830) 257-3310.

- Wednesday, January 18, 12:00, Men's Luncheon: Join us for lunch at LaFours restaurant. If you plan to attend, please make your reservation by contacting the church office at 830-257-3310 or Don Priour at 830-896-4842.
- Mark your calendar for January 22 at noon for the rededication of the all new Ryan Hall.
- **Music-All Guitar Lessons—Starting back on Tuesday, January 10th.** is a FPC Music Outreach Program with music instructor and musician Andrew Dodson. Join us on Tuesday nights in the Choir Room below Schreiner Chapel. No experience required. All material provided.

All are welcome. Contact Andrew Dodson at

and rew@and rewdods on music.com or 832.244.9175.

5-6 pm (18 & under) 6-7 pm (18+)

#### • FPC Grief Support Group, 1st and 3rd Friday, Ryan Hall, 10:00am

If you have experienced a recent loss, the holiday season can be especially difficult. Our community grief support group offers a safe and confidential environment to help you negotiate this time. Please call the church office if you have any questions.

#### \*Please note the location change.

• Yoga for Community classes led by Cheryl Smith, Ryan Hall.

**Classes will resume after the first of the year.** All classes include a scripture-based meditation, breathing practice, gentle warm-up movements, classic yoga postures and final meditation.

#### Tuesdays, 5:30 p.m. - Beginner/Gentle Yoga -for any level of

participant who is comfortable getting down and up off the floor. Wednesdays, 10:00 a.m. - Chair
Yoga -for any level of participant. This practice takes place on and standing near a chair