



First Presbyterian  
Church | **Kerrville**

Christmas Eve  
Candlelight Service

December 24, 2022  
7:00 p.m.

Building a Community of Disciples

*Growing toward*

God-centered worship

Christ-centered service

Spirit-led lives

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
CHRISTMAS EVE WORSHIP SERVICE  
DECEMBER 24, 2022 7:00 P.M.  
ORDER OF WORSHIP

PRE-SERVICE CONCERT (6:40)

PROCLAMATION OF THE BIRTH OF THE CHRIST

PRELUDE Variations on Adeste Fidelis *Gaston Dethier*

WELCOME Pastor Jack Haberer

†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.**

†CAROL 133 O Come, All Ye Faithful Pastor Susan Montoya

†PRAYER OF ADORATION

LESSON Isaiah 9:2, 6-7

SOLO Todo valle sea elevado *Handel*

*Ev'ry valley shall be exalted, and ev'ry mountain and hill made low;  
the crooked straight and the rough places plain. (Isaiah 40:4)*

Seth Lafler, Tenor

LESSON Luke 1: 26-38 Fred Gamble

†CAROL 121 O Little Town of Bethlehem

LESSON Matthew 1:18-25 Mary Ellen Summerlin

†CAROL 134 Joy To the World

LESSON Luke 2:1-7 Seth Lafler

†CAROL 115 Away In A Manger

LESSON Luke 2:8-20 B.K. Gamble





## Thank You for Serving Today

### **Worship Leaders**

Jack Haberer, Susan Montoya, Andrew Dodson, Wes Lane

### **Ushers**

Emily McAllister, Hilary Mosty, Donna Brewton, Laura Batchelder, Ralph Kutzer,  
Andi Silguero-Valles

### **Musicians**

Audrey Jellett, Cellist

Sarah Joann Davis, Soprano

Seth Lafler, Tenor

Chancel Choir

Bruce & Connie Story, Violinists

Andrew Dodson, Guitarist

Dr. Sabrina Adrian, Organist

**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

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#### **Pastors:**

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

#### **Ministry Staff:**

Dr. Sabrina Adrian, Organist

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](http://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.



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.

### Pre-Service Concert Music

O Come O Come Emmanuel *arr.* McDonald & Nelson

The Lamb Vaughan Williams

Four Songs for Voice and Violin

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**Welcome, visitors!** For more information about First Presbyterian Church, be sure to visit our website at [www.fpckerrville.org](http://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](http://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](http://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: [amartin@fpckerville.org](mailto:amartin@fpckerville.org); 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

[andrew@andrewdodsonmusic.com](mailto:andrew@andrewdodsonmusic.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