

*May Christmas bring you the gifts of joy, hope, peace, and goodwill,
and the commitment to share those blessings through all the coming
year. Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!*

-----from Your Church Staff

PLEASE DEPOSIT YOUR CANDLE AND ITS HOLDER IN THE
APPROPRIATE BOXES AS YOU EXIT. ALSO, YOU MAY
TAKE HOME YOUR POINSETTIA TONIGHT.



PROSPECT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Christmas Eve Service

Saturday, December 24, 2022

9:00 PM

PRELUDE "A Host of Carols" arr. Smith
Richard Woods, Saxophone

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

SPECIAL MUSIC "Away in a Manger" arr. Mitchell-Wallace
Richard Woods, Saxophone

SCRIPTURE READING **Matthew 1: 18-25**
SPECIAL MUSIC "Mary, Did You Know?" arr. Schrader
Kristin Donaldson, Soloist

SCRIPTURE READING **Luke 2: 1-20**
SPECIAL MUSIC "Sleep, Little Lamb" Martin
Dixie Forbes-Gorby, Soloist

HOMILY Rev. Will Gipe

CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

SPECIAL MUSIC **O Holy Night** arr. Hayes
Amy Weatherman, Soloist

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLES The Moore Family

LIGHTING OF OUR CANDLES **Silent Night** No. 147
(Elders will light the first candle in each row. Please pass on the light to one another with the words "Christ is the light of the world and now you are the light of the world. Please pass on the light.")

*BENEDICTION

*RECESSION BY CANDLELIGHT

*Please rise in body or in spirit CCLI# 2659202 +Latecomers may be seated
Please place all cell phones and pagers on silent. Thank you.

Poinsettia Tributes

In memory of William J. Edmiston by Virginia Edmiston
In memory of Bob and Lucille Shinn Neel by Frances Ann Neel
In memory of Joe Knox by Van & Violet Knox
In memory of Jason Hamilton by Van & Violet Knox
In memory of Charles and Margaret Bulifant by Van & Violet Knox
In memory of Ellen & Stormy Brown by Connie Brown
In memory of George & Cheryl Edwards by Connie Brown
In memory of Dot Marlowe & Martha Brown by Connie Brown, Lane, Rachel, & Madison Marlowe

In memory of Andrew "Andy" Britz by Lynn Britz
In memory of Margaret & Brown Patterson & Larry Patterson by Lynn Britz
In memory of Justin Ogle by Lynn Britz
In memory of Teddy Goins by the Sellers Family
In memory of Henry Eason Barnes & Judith Eason Barnes by Mitchell Barnes
In memory of Clara Mae Whitley by Mitchell Barnes
In memory of Adam Lang Gordon by Mitchell Barnes
In memory of Michael Deaton by Nancy Robinson
In memory of Aubrey Price by Nancy Robinson
In memory of Toni Wheeler by Nancy Robinson
In memory of Jeffrey Stewart by Virginia & Ronnie Stewart
In memory of Bill Tulbert, Lucille & Craig Brown & Zee & Frank Cauble by Pam Tulbert

In honor of the Prospect Presbyterian Staff by the Dowdy's
In honor of Mary Lowrance by Ava, Bella, Jasmine & Sarah
In appreciation of Violet Knox by the Disciples Sunday School Class



O HOLY NIGHT

O holy night! The stars are brightly shining.
It is the night of the dear Savior's birth!
Long lay the world in sin and error pining,
Till He appeared, and the soul felt its worth.

A thrill of hope, the weary world rejoices,
For yonder breaks a new and glorious morn!
Fall on your knees! O hear the angel voices!
O night divine! O night when Christ was born!

Led by the light of faith serenely beaming,
With glowing hearts by His cradle, we stand.
So led by light of a star sweetly gleaming,
Here came the wise men from Orient land.

The King of kings lay thus in lowly manger,
In all our trials born to be our Friend.
He knows our need, to our weakness is no stranger.
Behold your King, before Him lowly bend!

Truly He taught us to love one another.
His law is love and His gospel is peace.
Chains shall He break, for the slave is our brother,
And in His name all oppression shall cease.

Sweet hymns of joy in grateful chorus raise we,
Let all within us praise His holy name; Christ is the Lord,
Oh, praise His name forever!
His power and glory evermore proclaim!

AWAY IN A MANGER

Away in a manger, no crib for a bed,
The little Lord Jesus laid down his sweet head.
The stars in the sky looked down where he lay,
The little Lord Jesus asleep in the hay.

The cattle are lowing, the baby awakes,
But little Lord Jesus no crying he makes.
I love Thee, Lord Jesus, look down from the sky
And stay by my cradle til morning is nigh.

Be near me, Lord Jesus, I ask Thee to stay
Close by me forever, and love me, I pray.
Bless all the dear children in thy tender care,
And take us to heaven, to live with Thee there.



MARY, DID YOU KNOW?

Mary, did you know that your baby boy would someday walk on water?

Mary, did you know that your baby boy would save our sons and daughters?

Did you know that your baby boy has come to make you know?
This child that you delivered will soon deliver you.

Mary, did you know that your baby boy will give sight to a blind man?

Mary, did you know that our baby boy will calm a storm with his hand?

Did you know that your baby boy has walked where angels trod?
When you kissed your little baby, then you kissed the face of God.

The blind will see, the deaf will hear, the dead will live again; The lame will leap, the dumb will speak the praises of the Lamb.

Mary, did you know that your baby boy is Lord of all creation?

Mary, did you know that your baby boy will one day rule the nations?

Did you know that your baby boy was heaven's perfect Lamb?

The sleeping child you're holding is the great I AM!

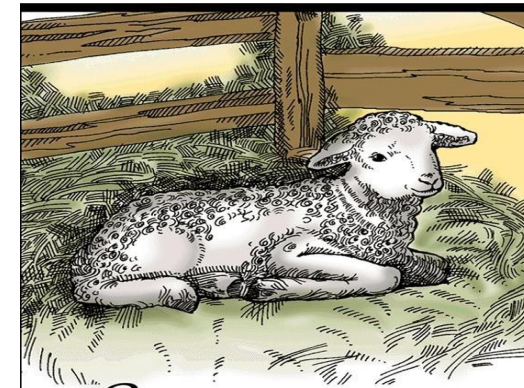


SLEEPING LITTLE LAMB

In the cold of winter, on a cloudless night,
Shepherds gazed upon Him in the pale moonlight;
Eyes so full of wonder, hearts so rich with joy,
Quietly they praised Him, the precious Baby boy.

Quietly we praise You, Gently we adore You.
Tenderly we lift our songs to the newborn King.
One day loud hosannas will praise the Great I Am;
But tonight, hearts whisper, "Sleep, little Lamb."

Tiny Babe, so holy, on this starry night,
You bring peace to humankind, peace be Yours tonight.
Tiny Lamb, I love You, I would hold you close,
As my Lord, You've held me so many times before.



She will give birth to a son,
and you are to give him
the name Jesus, because
he will save his people
from their sins.

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