

Poinsettia Tributes

- *In memory of Bob and Lucille Shinn Neel by Frances Ann Neel*
- *In memory of Ellen & Stormy Brown, and Martha Brown by Connie Brown, Lane, Rachel, & Madison Marlowe*
- *In memory of George & Cheryl Edwards by Connie Brown*
- *In memory of Delane & Dot Marlowe by Connie Brown, Lane, Rachel, & Madison Marlowe*
- *In memory of Aubrey Price by Nancy Price & Family*
- *In memory of Eddie Dowdy by Jenny Dowdy*
- *In memory of Jenny Bennett by Dick Bennett, Bob Bennett & Glen Bennett*
- *In memory of Carol Jean Stutts by Larry Stutts and Donna & Lewis Anderson*
- *In memory of Bill Edmiston by Virginia Edmiston*
- *In memory of Blanche & J.D. Donahue by Kelly Wilson & family*
- *In memory of Janet Dennis by Kelly Wilson & family*
- *In memory of Melvin & Carole Wilson by Kelly Wilson & family*
- *In memory of Allen Jackson by Ann Jackson, Dale, Lisa & Seth Burgess, Brian, Candace & Andrew Jackson*
- *In memory of Randy Westbrook by Lynde Mesa-Widener*
- *In memory of Ellen Richardson by Lynde Mesa-Widener*
- *In memory of Beverly McGary by Janice Poulter*
- *In memory of Reggie & Carolyn Cooke by Erskine & Connie Smith*
- *In memory of Nat & Ginny Smith by Erskine & Connie Smith*
- *In memory of Pat Brewer by Mike Brewer, Amy Boyce, Todd & Tracy Brewer, & Thomas & Madison Starnes*
- *In memory of Faye Brewer by Mike Brewer*
- *In memory of Jo Beatty by Mac Robinette*
- *In memory of Violet Robinette by Mac Robinette*
- *In memory of Hugh & Pearl McLean by Grandchildren & Great Grandchildren*
- *To the Glory of God by Anonymous*
- *In appreciation & honor of Violet Knox by the Disciples Sunday School Class*
- *In appreciation & honor of Prospect Presbyterian Church Staff by Jenny Dowdy*
- *In honor of the Administration Team of Prospect by Kelly Wilson*
- *In honor of Melody Morrison by ACTS/Lettie Beatty Circle*
- *In honor of Reba Connolly by Marie & James Parker, Bobby & Linda Fesperman*



Christmas
EVE

PROSPECT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Christmas Eve Service

Tuesday, December 24, 2024 9:00 PM

WELCOME

PRELUDE *“Joy to the World”* arr. Sondra Tucker
Richard Woods, saxophone

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

*HYMN *“Angels We Have Heard on High”* No. 132

SPECIAL MUSIC *“Away in a Manger”* arr. Mitchell-Wallace
Richard Woods, Saxophone

SCRIPTURE READING **Matthew 1: 18-25**
SPECIAL MUSIC *“Breath of Heaven”* arr. Lloyd Larson
Dixie Forbes-Gorby, Soloist

SCRIPTURE READING **Luke 2: 1-20**
SPECIAL MUSIC *“Mary, Did You Know?”* arr. Jack Schrader
Kristin Donaldson, Soloist

CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

SPECIAL MUSIC *“O Holy Night”* arr. Hayes
Amy Ford, Soloist

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLES The Moore Family

RESPONSIVE LITANY: *Emmanuel*

Tonight, we conclude our Advent journey as we light the Christ Candle,
welcoming the one promised in scripture.

He is called Emmanuel: God with us!

We celebrate the hope brought to earth by our Wonderful Counselor.

He is called Emmanuel: God with us!

We rejoice in the strength and power of a Mighty God.

He is called Emmanuel: God with us!

We sing of peace on earth and good will to all people.

He is called Emmanuel: God with us!

And we lift our hearts in praise to our Everlasting Father.

**He is called Emmanuel: God with us! Joy to the world, the Lord has
come!**

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

*POSTLUDE *“A Host of Carols”* arr. Lani Smith
Richard Woods, saxophone

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

*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.

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 new?
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 your 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?
This sleeping child you're holding is the great, the great "I Am!"



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!
O night divine! O night, O night divine!

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!
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!
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BREATH OF HEAVEN

I have traveled many moonless nights, cold
and weary with a babe inside
And I wonder what I've done.
Holy Father, you have come and
chosen me now to carry your Son.

I am waiting in a silent prayer.
I am frightened by the load I bear.
In a world as cold as stone, must
I walk this path alone? Be with me now.

Refrain:

Breath of Heaven, hold me together,
be forever near me, Breath of Heaven.
Breath of Heaven, lighten my darkness,
pour over me your holiness, for you are holy,
Breath of Heaven.

Do you wonder as you watch my face,
if a wiser one should have had my place?
But I offer all I am for the mercy of your plan.
Help me be strong, help me be, help me.

Refrain

