

First Presbyterian Church
Wichita, Kansas



December 24, 2017
10:45 a.m.

*The Peace

Leader: Since God has forgiven us in Christ, let us forgive one another.
The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

People: And also with you.

(The children may come forward during the greeting.)

Extended Time with the Children Second Reading Luke 2:1-7
A Visit from the Inn Keeper's Wife

Hymn The First Nowell (v. 1-4) No. 56

Anthem *Do You Hear What I Hear?* arr. Harry Simeon

Pastoral Prayer & the Lord's Prayer P.H. Pg. 16

Call to Stewardship

Offertory *Wexford Carol* arr. John Rutter

Terry McManis, Baritone
*Good people all, this Christmas time,
Consider well and bear in mind
What our good God for us has done,
In sending His beloved Son.
With Mary holy we should pray
To God with love this Christmas Day;
In Bethlehem upon the morn
There was a blest Messiah born.*

*The night before that happy tide
The noble virgin and her guide
Were long time seeking up and down
To find a lodging in the town.
But mark how all things came to pass:
From every door repelled, alas!
As long foretold, their refuge all
Was but a humble oxen stall.
Near Bethlehem did shepherds keep
Their flocks of lambs and feeding sheep;*

*To whom God's angels did appear
Which put the shepherds in great fear.
"Prepare and go", the angels said,
"To Bethlehem, be not afraid;
For there you'll find, this happy morn,
A princely Babe, sweet Jesus born."*

*With thankful heart and joyful mind,
The shepherds went the babe to find,
And as God's angel has foretold,
They did our Savior Christ behold.
Within a manger He was laid,
And by His side the virgin maid
Attending to the Lord of Life,
Who came on earth to end all strife.*

*Doxology

No. 592

*Prayer of Dedication

*Hymn

Joy to the World!

No. 40

*Choral Benediction and Congregational Response

Children Go Where I Send Thee (How Shall I Send Thee?)
Steve and Gretchen Bixler, Amy and Patrick Kelly

Recessional

*Postlude

Joy to the World

Gilbert Martin

*signifies congregation standing (for those able)

Worship Leaders

Senior Pastor
Parish Associate
Director of Music
Organist

Brent O. Johnston
Judy Connors
Steve Bixler
Mark Sweeney