

First Presbyterian Church
Wichita, Kansas

*Lessons
& Carols*



9:30 a.m. In-Person & Live Streaming

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December 26, 2021 **First Sunday after Christmas** **9:30 a.m.**

Prelude *Coventry Carol* Lloyd Webber

Greetings

Call to Worship

Leader: The grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation to all.

All: Let us worship God.

*Morning Prayer & Lord's Prayer

Lessons and Carols

First Lesson Isaiah 7:10-16

*Hymn *Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence* No. 5

Second Lesson Micah 5:2-5a

Anthem *Of the Father's Love Begotten* arr. Wolgemuth

Third Lesson Luke 1:26-38

*Hymn *Infant Holy, Infant Lowly* No. 37

Fourth Lesson Luke 2:1-20

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

Fifth Lesson Matthew 2:1-12

Anthem *The Star Carol* Alfred Burt

Sixth Lesson Matthew 2:13-23

Offertory Anthem *Out of the Orient Crystal Sky* Richard Zgodova

Seventh Lesson John 1:1-4, 14

Homily "A New Birth" Pastor Dave Fulton

Closing Hymn *Go Tell It on the Mountain* No. 29

*Charge and Benediction

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

*Choral Response

Recessional

*Postlude

Here We Come A-Caroling

Douglas Wagner

*signifies congregation standing (for those able)

Worship Leaders

Preacher

Dave Fulton

Liturgist

Brent & Emma Johnston

Director of Music

Steve Bixler

Organist

Mark Sweeney

Production Crew

Dave Muehl, Sound; Sailor Sulier, Computer Graphics; Bob Moler, Camera Operator;
Video Editor, Michelle Edwards

Given in Loving Memory Of or In Honor Of 2021

<u>Given By</u>	<u>In Memory or In Honor Of</u>
Mary Lou Dunn-Rankin	Betty Lou Anderson, Carl Swain Anderson, and Catherine Anderson-Crittenden
Doug & Joan Aldrich	Arthur & Marian Aldrich and James & Emma Jean Bischoff and Jane Crouch
Becky Blanford	Parents Edward & Carol Seek and in-laws Ruth & Earl Blanford, Jr.
Dick & Carol Blumenshine	Charles & Annabelle Blumenshine, Galen & Irva Wampler
Greg Brown	Patricia Brown
Mary Burgett	Martha & Leon Morlan
Tom & Peggy Church	Thomas W. Church, Jr., Keith & Marian Shaffner
Bruce & Patty Cole	Our Parents
Carolyn Croft	John & Martha Croft, Rev. & Mrs. Norman Croft, and Mr. & Mrs. Ray Draper
Russell & Linda Davisson	R. F. & Clarice McKinney, Margaret & Willis Davisson
The DeVore Family	The Ashley and DeVore families
Marilyn Heffner	Lois & Willard Hamilton
The Marc Jones Family	Roy Pope and Ernest Jones
Chris Kubik	J. Fred Kubik
Teresa & Liz Lang	Joe Lang
Marilyn & Jennifer Lewis	Philip Lewis and Evelyn Sutton
Roger & Molly Lyon	Ed & Eletha Lyon and Max & Isabel Rankin
McDoniel & Bowles families	Melissa McDoniel
Jane McHugh	Gerald & Mona Pike, John H. & Julia Corrin, John C. & Virginia Corrin, Moyne Pike, and Adra Jones
Judy & Phil Michel	Our Parents
Diane Nyberg	Dan & Glenn Nyberg
Alice Price	Hugh & Dorothy Price
Alice Price	Lee Nora Noel
Cleo Richards	Norman Dale Richards
Helen Steindler	John Steindler
Jean Terrell	B. E. & Eva Terrell and Jo Anne Terrell
David Wade	My Parents Helen & Dick Wade
Tom & Esther Warner	Our family
Alexandra & Steve Washburn	John Welles Washburn
Cliff Wathne	Margaret Wathne
Tom & Gerry Winters	Glen & Elaine Winters, Elliot & Mary Jane Rieckenberg

Activities & Announcements

USHERS NEEDED

Now that the number of members and guests attending worship is increasing, the need for ushers is also growing. This includes greeting members and guests at Sunday services, serving at weddings and funerals as well as assisting handicapped individuals. If you would be willing to consider serving our church in this activity, please let us know. Training will be provided, and schedules are flexible. **Please call Phil Michel at 316-213-5515 to learn more.**

Upcoming Journeys Classes

The Journeys Class will offer, as its first class of the new year, a five-session class on prayer. The class is titled ***When You Pray: Original Research in Unexplored Territory***. Beginning January 9, 2022, at 10:45 a.m., the class will meet the 9th, 16th, and 23rd of January and the 6th and 13th of February. For the first class everyone will need the following:

- * resource materials (available in the church office after Christmas or at the first session)
- * bulletin for the January 9th worship service
- * your favorite Bible

The class will meet in the Church Parlor and by way of Zoom. Zoom invitations to the class will be sent ahead of each session. It is the over-the-top and unrealistic hope and prayer the class will challenge and inspire you in your prayer life. Russ Davisson will lead this class.

Quilt Raffle!!

During the month of December through January 9th, the Youth Group is selling raffle tickets for a quilt made by the Dorcas Quilting group. It is a full-size, multi-colored block pattern quilt! Come by and see it on Sunday mornings in *The Well*. Ticket prices are as follows:

- \$1 per ticket
- \$5 for 6 tickets

Questions? See Geri Doll



Welcome, Visitors!

We extend a special welcome to those who are visiting First Presbyterian Church this morning. We are glad you are here! **Large print bulletins and hymnals are available from an usher. Transistor hearing aids are also available for your use.** Please ask any usher for one and feel free to sit wherever you wish in the Sanctuary while using one. Please sign in when you enter the building and feel free to include your address, email, and telephone number if you are visiting or have any changes the church needs to update.

Please remember to turn off your cell phone before worship this morning.

Children's Information—Children are welcome in worship. We do not mind a little fidgeting and fussing in the pew. But if you feel that your child is having a difficult time sitting through church, you are welcome to worship in *The Well*. Remember, quiet play in *The Well* is appropriate so as not to disturb others who are trying to worship. You and your child's (spiritual, emotional, and social) needs are important to us. (Liz Norris—Director of Children's Ministry)

A quick reminder: Under the Child Protection Policy **children are not allowed to leave the Sanctuary or *The Well* without an adult escort.** Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Praying for the Church Family-As a congregation we weekly focus our personal and corporate prayers upon a selection of church members and friends. Let us remember in prayer this week the following: Brian & Stephanie Howard and family, Jaynean Wood, Brad & Michelle Cline and family, Cassandra & Margaret Leidig-Carillo and family.

Flowers-The beautiful poinsettias this morning are donated by the congregation in honor of or in memory of friends and relatives. Please feel free to take the poinsettia you donated on December 26, following the service.



Calendar

Sunday, December 26

- 9:00 Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)
9:30 Worship-Lessons & Carols (Sanctuary/Live Streaming)
10:00 Refugee Worship (C204)

Friday, December 31-January 1

- 5:00 Youth Lock-In to 11 a.m.

Saturday, January 1

- 8:00 Community Breakfast (EDR, WDR, KIT)- Youth

Sunday, January 2

- 9:00 Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)
9:30 Worship In-Person (Sanctuary/Live Streaming)
10:00 Refugee Worship (C204)

SAVE THE DATE!

January 9-Epiphany Luncheon and Big Bang Bingo! Please contact Alice Price at 267-6853 if you plan to bring soup.



Epiphany BINGO!

.....and the not so Silent Auction

Sunday, January 9th
11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Epiphany BINGO....and the not so Silent Auction are on Sunday, January 9 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Join your church family for a fabulous afternoon of fellowship with soup, salad & bread, while playing Bingo for prizes, and making bids on Silent Auction baskets. **BRING FRIENDS!!**

- FREE Soup Dinner with a Bingo Card
- Folks will sit in Family/Friend Groups
- Small charge for a dauber and extra Bingo Cards

Donations are always appreciated! All proceeds of the Silent Auction will go to support spiritual growth and renewal of our congregation as we celebrate **151** years of being the **First Church of Wichita!** Contact **Michelle Murray-Cline** at 734-0243 for details or if you would love to help!

Friendly reminder from the Finance Committee

Year-end gifts **MUST** be in the office before the end of the day on December 30, 2021. Office hours for the church are 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Monday through Thursday.

We are behind on our goal for next year's pledges, so if you have not turned in your pledge card, please do so as soon as possible. Likewise, if you still owe money on your pledge for 2021, we would appreciate it if you would complete your pledge contribution before December 30. Thank you.

