

# First Presbyterian Church

Service for the Lord's Day  
Second Sunday of Christmas

January 5, 2020

10:00 a.m.

*In preparation for worship, please turn off all cell phones and electronic devices.*

## ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

Gathering Music  
Concerns of the Church  
Prelude

"Go, Tell It on the Mountain"

arr. Lau

Call to Worship

To us is born in the city of David a Savior, the Messiah, the Lord.

***Glory to God in the highest!***

And the Word became flesh and lived among us.

***Glory to God in the highest!***

\* Hymn 147

"The First Nowell" (verses 1-4)

*Ushers will collect prayer request cards from the center aisle.*

\* Call to Confession

\* Pray of Confession

***God of grace and truth,***

***in Jesus Christ you came among us***

***as light shining in darkness.***

***We confess that we have not welcomed the light,***

***or trusted good news to be good.***

***We have closed our eyes to glory in our midst,***

***expecting little, and hoping for less.***

***Forgive our doubt, and renew our hope,***

***so that we may receive the fullness of your grace,***

***and live in the truth of Christ the Lord.***

\* Silent Confession

\* Assurance of Pardon and Passing of the Peace

\* Response: "The First Nowell," verse 6

***Then let us all of one accord sing praises to our heavenly Lord,  
that hath made heaven and earth of nought,  
and with his blood our life hath bought. Nowell...***

## PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

First Lesson: Ephesians 1:3-14 (NT, p. 192)

Special Music

Second Lesson: Matthew 2:19-23 (OT, p. 2)

Sermon: "Guided By Dreams"

Rev. Carter

## RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

\* Hymn 154

"Jesus Entered Egypt"

\* Affirmation of Faith: Nicene Creed (Hymnal. p. 34)

Offering

Offertory

"As With Gladness"

arr. Archer

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Prayer of Thanksgiving and the Lord's Prayer

The Words of Institution

Communion of the People

*Please hold the bread until all are served, so that we might share it as a sign of our unity in Christ. As a sign of individual devotion and commitment, you may drink the cup as you are served.*

\* Prayer after Communion

## GO IN GOD'S NAME

\* Hymn 151

"We Three Kings of Orient Are"

\* Charge and Benediction

\* Congregational Amen 601  
\* Postlude "What Star is This With Beams So Bright" arr. Engel

*All are invited to remain seated to listen to the postlude.  
If you are leaving before it is finished, please do so quietly.*

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\* All who are able shall stand.

*The flowers this morning have been given by the Abington Heights Interact Club in thanks and appreciation to the First Presbyterian Church for the use of the church, and help from its volunteers in supporting the club's Thanksgiving dinner event for local refugees.*

**PARTICIPANTS IN TODAY'S SERVICE**

Pastor	Rev. William G. Carter
Coordinator of Children and Youth	Jana Schillinger
Director of Music	Frank Jones
Organist	Kay Ten Eyck
Liturgist	Jay Clymer
Ushers	Bill Farrell
Greeter	Nancy London



*We are a Stephen Ministry congregation.*

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And he went and  
lived in a city called  
**Nazareth,**  
so that what was  
**spoken** by the  
**prophets**  
might be **fulfilled.**

—Matthew 2:23, ESV

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