

First Presbyterian Church
Rev. Grant Gilliam, Pastor
December 8, 2024
Order of Worship

Prelude

Welcome and Sharing of Joys and Concerns

*God's Word Calls Us to Worship Matthew 11:28-29

Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls.

*Invocation

*Hymns of Praise Congregation

#145 O Come, All Ye Faithful
#131 Angels, from the Realms of Glory

Lighting of the Second Advent Candle: Peace *Isaiah 9:6-7*

Confession of Faith Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, begotten from the Father before all ages, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made; of the same essence as the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven; he became incarnate by the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary, and was made human. He was crucified for us under Pontius Pilate; he suffered and was buried. The third day he rose again, according to the Scriptures. He ascended to heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again with glory to judge the living and the dead. His kingdom will never end. And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life. He proceeds from the Father and the Son, and with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified. He spoke through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We affirm one baptism for the forgiveness of sin. We look forward to the resurrection of the dead, and to life in the world to come. Amen.

Confession of Sin and Assurance of Pardon Matthew 1:21

She will bear a son, and you shall call his name Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins.

Stewardship of Tithes and Offerings

*Doxology

*Hymn of Preparation

#136 The First Noel (1,2,3)

Children's Message

Pastoral Prayer

Scripture Reading Luke 1:39-56

Sermon Rev. Grant Gilliam
 "The Response to the Coming King!"

*Closing Hymn

#136 The First Noel (5,6)

*Benediction Rev. Grant Gilliam

*Postlude

**All who are able please stand*

Calendar of Events:

Pastor Hours- Monday-Thursday: 8:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Today – 2nd Sunday of Advent

Open House at The Gilliams 4:30 p.m.-6:30 p.m.

Wednesday – Prayer Meeting – 7:30-8:00 a.m.

Next Sunday – Deacons and Elder’s Joint Meeting 8:30 a.m.

Missions Offering

Memory & Honor Candles Due

Happy Birthday this week:

Betsy Hartley- December 8

Jimmie Stennett- December 10

Meg Miller- December 12

Keith Bloodworth- December 12

In charge today:

Deacon – Don – Elder – David – Children – Carol

In charge next Sunday:

Deacon – Nick – Elder – Tyrone – Children – Ann

Prayer List: (New in bold)

Brasher, Jimmy	Lofton, Leslie
Brown, Erin Trout	Long, Paul & Mary Jo
Burkhalter, Walter	Lowery, Bud
Callaway, Anne	Lowery, Christie
Collins, Larry & Ann	Mabus, Jimmy & Susan
Cummings, Hadley	McElrath, Pete
Dacus, Rick	McFerrin, Clay & Krista
Denman, Doc	Miller, Glenn
Denmark, Donald	Morgan, Melinda
Draper, Jimmy	Newsom, Malone
Edenfield, Joe & Patty	O'Connor, Carolyn
Flautt, Bob	Raney, Mike
Flautt, Mike	Reynolds, David
Griggs, Mike	Rowland, Davin
Hartley, Betsy	Sherman, Granville
Henry, Brenda	Sherman, Phyllis
Israel	Simmons, Debbie
Inman, Tara	Staten, Donald W.
Jackson, Bill	Strider, Linda J.
Jamieson, Steve	Strider, Suanne
Jones, Andrea	Stubblefield, Richard
Jones, Jennifer	Taylor, Beverly
Knowles, Greg	Thorpe, Tom
Little, Don Ray	Winters, Jamie