



By Benjamin Harlan

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**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

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*To all who are weary and need rest, to all who mourn and need comfort, to all who are lonely and need friendship,  
to all who are glad and would serve others, to all who are complacent and need disturbing,  
to all who sin and need a Savior, this Church opens wide its door in the name of Christ, and bids you welcome.*

**CANTATA WORSHIP SERVICE**  
**THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT - DECEMBER 14, 2025**  
**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, MOULTRIE, GA**

Chiming of the Hour

Prelude "One Small Child"

Welcome, Announcements, and Opening Prayer

Narration: A King. A Messiah. A Savior. A Child.

"Waitin' for the Baby"

Narration: Alleluiah! Jesus will come to us!

"How Far is it to Bethlehem"

Advent Candle Lighting Jack, Rebecca and Josephine Brinson

**CONGREGATION IN UNISON: *God of hope, God of peace, God of joy, into our darkness come.***

\***HYMN # 170** (*see bulletin*) "Joy to the World"

Narration: And He came to us

"Here I Am to Worship"

OFFERTORY "Jesus Came to Dwell Among Us"

\***DOXOLOGY**

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; / Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him, above ye heav'nly host; / Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

Narration: And we beheld his glory.

"Agnus Dei"

**\*Affirmation of Faith**

*from The Scots Confession (1560)*

*When the fullness of time came God sent his Son, his eternal wisdom, the substance of his own glory, into this world, who took the nature of humanity from the substance of a woman, a virgin, by means of the Holy Ghost. And so was born the “just seed of David,” the “Angel of the great counsel of God,” the very Messiah promised, whom we confess and acknowledge to be Emmanuel, true God and true man, two perfect natures united and joined in one person . . . We acknowledge and confess that this wonderful union between the Godhead and the humanity in Christ Jesus did arise from the eternal and immutable decree of God from which all our salvation springs and depends.*

Narration: How great is His love for us.

“Go Light Your World”

Narration: And so it was that Jesus came to earth...

“One Small Child Medley”

**\*CONGREGATION JOINS**    **“O Come All Ye Faithful/Hark the Herald Angels Sing”**  
*(see bulletin)*

**\*Charge and Benediction**

Choral / Orchestral Benediction: Reprise of “One Small Child”

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**(\*) *We stand as we are able.***

*The flowers are given today in grateful appreciation of God’s gift of Jesus Christ  
and in loving memory of our husband and father Victor Beadles.*

*By His Family*

**O COME ALL YE FAITHFUL /  
HARK THE HERALD ANGELS SING**

**O come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant,  
O come ye, o come ye to Bethlehem!  
Come and behold Him, born the King of angels!  
O come, let us adore Him, O come let us adore Him,  
O come, let us adore Him, Christ the Lord!**

**Hark! The herald angels sing, “Glory to the newborn King;  
Peace on earth, and mercy mild; God and sinners reconciled.”  
Joyful, all ye nations, rise, Join the triumph of the skies;  
With angelic hosts proclaim, “Christ is born in Bethlehem!”  
Hark! The herald angels sing, “Glory to the newborn King!”**

**Yea, Lord we greet Thee, born this happy morning,  
Jesus, to Thee be all glory giv’n;  
Word of the Father, now in flesh appearing!  
O come, let us adore Him, O come, let us adore Him,  
O come, let us adore Him, Christ the Lord!**





## **PW Christmas Project: Heaters for Home Care**

Once again this year the Presbyterian Women will partner with Colquitt Regional Hospice for one of our Christmas projects. The Presbyterian Women are asking for your help by donating funds to purchase small heaters for patients in the Home Care Program. Many of these patients have no heat in their homes and new patients are continually being added. Your generous help can make a real difference in keeping these patients warm this winter. Check the instructions on the wall by the tree in the Fellowship Hall. **The last day for donations will be Friday, December 19th.**



## **PW INVITES YOU TO SPREAD SOME CHRISTMAS CHEER**

**The Presbyterian Women will be delivering Christmas presents to the residents at The Homestead at Colquitt Manor assisted living facility on Sunday afternoon, December 21st.** We will deliver Christmas bags, sing some Christmas carols, and visit with the residents to brighten their day. We invite the congregation to join us in the project. All ages are welcome! Please meet in the church parking lot at 2:45 on the 21st. We will carpool to the residence because parking at the facility is limited.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**ELDERS OF THE MONTH:** Aileen McNair & Melody Jenkins

Monday, December 15 *GOAL DEADLINE FOR YEAR-END GIVING*

**Tuesday, December 16 at 9 a.m. ADVENT STUDY (at Shalom Cafe)**

Tuesday, December 16 from 11:30 am-2 pm PRAYER & REFLECTION

**Tuesday, December 16 at 5:30 p.m. CORNERSTONE CHRISTMAS PARTY**

Wednesday, December 17 at 5:15 p.m. SESSION

Thursday, December 18 at 4:30 p.m. CORNERSTONES THEATRE TRIP

**Sunday, December 21 at 2:45 p.m. CHRISTMAS VISIT WITH COLQUITT MANOR RESIDENTS**

Sunday, December 21 at 4 p.m. YOUTH PROGRESSIVE DINNER

**Monday, December 22 at 5:30 p.m. STAFF CHRISTMAS PARTY**

**Tuesday, December 23 at 9 a.m. ADVENT STUDY (at Shalom Cafe)**

Tuesday, December 23 from 11:30 am-2 pm PRAYER & REFLECTION

Wednesday, December 24 *office will close at noon*

**Wednesday, December 24 at 5:30 p.m. CHRISTMAS EVE CANDLELIGHT COMMUNION**

Thursday, December 25 and Friday, December 26 – *office closed*

Sunday, December 28 – *FINAL DEADLINE for year-end giving*

Tuesday, December 30 from 11:30 am-2 pm PRAYER & REFLECTION

Wednesday, December 31 at 1 p.m. office closes for New Year's Eve

## **SANCTUARY OPEN TUESDAY FOR PRAYER & INDIVIDUAL REFLECTION**

Set aside a few minutes for prayer & reflection in the sanctuary on Tuesdays 11:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.,  
now through Jan. 6th.

## **2026 FLOWER CHART**

Holly Beard is working on the flower chart for 2026. Call or text her at 229-798-0669. *First come, first serve.*

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***Please support FPC with a pledge for 2026. Blank pledge cards can be found in the lobby.***

Dear Friends,

Stewardship season is ending and the Session will have to adopt a 2026 budget at their meeting next week, December 17. We wanted to update you on the campaign to date. We received 33 pledge cards totaling \$321,658. At present, the proposed 2026 budget is \$547,063. There is an obvious gap between our income and expenses for the coming year. If you intend to contribute in any way in 2026, we would greatly appreciate your returning your pledge card at your earliest convenience so we can make educated decisions moving forward on the future of the church. While the Church is in transition and there are many questions about our future, we have fixed expenses that must be paid to keep the church running. Please prayerfully consider how you can be a part of supporting our church in this process. Thank you for your consideration.

***The Finance Committee***

# CANTATA PARTICIPANTS

## CHOIR

### **SOPRANOS:**

**Nancy Coleman**

**Anita Jones**

**Kai Smith**

**Dottie Ward**

**Joy Webb**

**Lisa Zeanah**

### **TENORS:**

**Brett Johnson**

**John Norman**

**Austin Pounds**

**Hugh Ward**

### **ALTOS:**

**Laura Hall**

**Lisa Horkan**

**Melody Jenkins**

**Dianne Klar**

**Julie Strickland**

### **BASSES:**

**Thomas Coleman**

**Trey Cox**

**Jim Soos**

**Thomas Whiddon, *Piano***

**Rebecca Brinson, *Music Director***

**Rick & Cathy Douylliez, *Narrators***

## ORCHESTRA

*Guest musicians from the  
Albany Symphony Orchestra*

Flute 1 - **Sarah Jane Young**

Flute 2 - **Jordi Banitt**

Oboe 1 - **Kristi Kiene Sell**

Oboe 2 - **Hannah Dickerson Arbuckle**

Clarinet 1 - **Darryl Hancock**

Clarinet 2 - **Andrew Prawat**

Horn 1 - **Dylan Estella**

Horn 2 - **Anita Rodriguez**

Timpani - **Ryan Smith**

Percussion - **Logan Gordy**

Violin 1 - **Jace Elliott**

Violin 1 - *to be determined*

Violin 2 - **Gabriel Bravo**

Viola - **Jalin Graham**

Viola - **Carlos Rada Sanchez**

Cello - **Kathryn Troy**

Cello - **Taylor Treloar**

Bass - **Maximilian Simmons**