

✠ CAROL 122

Silent Night, Holy Night

F. Gruber

*Silent night! Holy night! All is calm, all is bright,
Round yon Virgin Mother and Child! Holy Infant so tender and mild,
Sleep in heavenly peace! Sleep in heavenly peace!*

*Silent night! Holy night! Shepherds quake at the sight!
Glories stream from heaven afar. Heavenly hosts sing Alleluia!
Christ, the Savior is born! Christ, the Savior is born!*

*Silent night! Holy night! Son of God, love's pure light.
Radiant beams from Thy Holy Face with the dawn of redeeming grace,
Jesus, Lord, at Thy birth! Jesus, Lord, at Thy birth!*

*Silent night! Holy night! Wondrous star, lend thy light;
With the angels let us sing, Alleluia to our King;
Christ the Savior is born, Christ the Savior is born!*

Sending Forth to Serve

✠ CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

✠ EXTINGUISHING OF CANDLES *(Please place candles in tubs provided by ushers.)*

POSTLUDE

It Came Upon a Midnight Clear

R. Willis

✠ *All, who are able, please stand*

The First Presbyterian Church of Wildwood

**December 24, 2021
Christmas Eve**



Merry Christmas!

The First Presbyterian Church of Wildwood

Christmas Eve 2021

Traditional Candlelight Communion Service

Kindly silence your cell phones and electronic devices

Gathering for Worship

PRELUDE *O Little Town of Bethlehem* L. Redner

WELCOME

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE *Mike & Barb England*

PRAYER FOR CHRISTMAS EVE

✦ CAROL 113 *Angels We Have Heard on High* H. Smith

Preparation to Hear the Word

✦ CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Do not be afraid; for see I am bringing you good news of great joy,

People: **To us is born this day in the city of David a Savior, the Messiah, the Lord.**

Leader: This will be a sign for you; you will find a child wrapped in cloth and lying in a manger.

People: **Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to all.**

All: **Come! Let us go now to Bethlehem!**

✦ CAROL 119 *Hark! The Herald Angels Sing* W. Cummings

✦ PASSING OF THE PEACE

Leader: As Christ offers us peace and forgiveness in his birth,

People: **Let us offer a sign of that peace to one another.**

Leader: The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Leader: Please share the peace of Christ with one another.

✦ CAROL 134 *Joy to the World* G. Handel

Proclamation of the Word

OLD TESTAMENT *Isaiah 9: 2-7* (O.T. Pg 780)

SOLO *O Holy Night* Adolphe Adam
Lucille Ruth, Soprano

GOSPEL LESSON *Luke 2: 1-20* (N.T. Pg 71)

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

HOMILY "FULFILLMENT" *Rev. William Kramp*

Responding to the Word

THE OFFERING

..Offertory *I Wonder as I Wander* *Appalachian Medley*

✦ Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

✦ Prayer of Dedication

THE SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

The Invitation to the Table

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them up to the Lord.**

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

The Lord's Prayer (debts/debtors)

Breaking of the Bread and Pouring of the Cup

The Communion of the People

The Prayer after Communion



ANNOUNCEMENTS – December 24, 2021

The Session strongly recommends wearing a mask during worship Service

FLOWERS

When you take the poinsettias home, please leave the plastic containers under the flowers. If you want a plastic cover for your flower, they are located by the women's restroom in the narthex.

GET TOGETHER

Punch and donuts will be served at Fellowship Hall after Christmas Eve Service.

SERVING COMMUNION

Christmas Eve Communion Servers are Mike England, Herb Lunden, Ed McCombs and Kim Stuchell.

Men's Fellowship Group

The men's group will meet at Bob Evans at Colony on December 29th at 9am.

Our Church Family Prayer Concerns

Dorothy Baker, Bill & Nancy Caldwell and Family, Jerry & Connie Emery,
Bill & Beth Kamm, Tom Mosier, Eric & Rhonda Thomas,
Jerry Houchens, Jo Ann Koster

This Week's Birthdays and Anniversaries

Cheryl Summers, December 30

Looking Ahead

Dec. 24, Fri.	Worship.....	6:00pm
Dec. 24, Fri.	Fellowship Gathering.....	7:00pm
Dec. 26, Sun.	Choir Rehearsal.....	9:30am
Dec. 26, Sun.	Worship.....	10:30am
Dec. 26, Sun.	Fellowship Gathering.....	11:30am

We Welcome Our Guests to Worship

Welcome! Your presence with us this morning adds joy to our worship service. Please help us acknowledge your visit by including your name and contact information when the friendship pad is passed during the announcements. You are invited to join us for fellowship following the service. If you are looking for a church home, and feel God is leading you to FPC, please speak with Pastor Bill following worship or call her during the week at 352-748-2530.

THE MISSION OF FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IS:

To be welcoming, caring, and compassionate, joyfully celebrating the Lord, growing spiritually through His presence, while sharing His love and grace.

SERVING DURING WORSHIP TODAY

Pastor: Rev. Bill Kramp

Accompanist: Ruth DiMare

Ushers: Sandy McKee, Tom McKee,

Mark Owings, Kim Stuchell

Sound: Terry Becker