



Memorial Presbyterian Church

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

2nd Sunday after Christmas Day

January 5, 2014

*Let all who enter enjoy the fellowship of friends until the bells call us to worship.
Let us then, in oneness of spirit, turn our reverent attention to the worship of God.*

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

*Almighty God,
you have filled us with the light of the Word
who became flesh and lived among us.
Let the light of faith shine in all that we do;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and forever. Amen.*

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

'Twas in the Moon of Wintertime

Paul Manz

BRINGING THE LIGHT

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Grace to you and peace in this new year.

**We will bless God who has blessed us in Christ
with every spiritual blessing.**

In Christ we have obtained an inheritance.

**We have been redeemed as God's own people.
Praise be to God!**

*CAROL

'Twas in the Moon of Wintertime

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*CALL TO CONFESSION

*ADMITTING OUR BROKENNESS

**God of love and compassion,
you have come into the world
and yet we have not recognized you.
Forgive our lack of insight
and open our eyes to see you here and now,
that we may receive your grace
through Jesus our Christ. Amen.**

*DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

*THE PEACE

Since God has forgiven us in Christ, let us forgive one another.
The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.
And also with you.

*SONG OF RESPONSE

Glory Be to the Father

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TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR UNDERSTANDING

SCRIPTURE READING

Ephesians 1:3-14

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

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John 1:1-18

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

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MESSAGE

Another Christmas Story

Tracy L. Evans

CAROL

Good Christian Friends, Rejoice

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SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

The Lord's Prayer

Hymnal, p. 35

THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY

What Star Is This, with Beams So Bright

John Leavitt

*DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

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DEDICATION PRAYER

SEALING THE WORD - CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

ANTHEM

See the Bread, See the Wine

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

...who forever sing to the glory of your name:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth
are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

...Great is the mystery of faith:

Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

COMMUNION MUSIC

Brightest and Best of the Stars of the Morning

John Leavitt

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

*CAROL

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*TAKING LIGHT INTO THE WORLD

*BLESSING AND CHARGE
CHORAL BENEDICTION

Jesus, Light of Joy

*POSTLUDE

Good Christian Friends, Rejoice

Eleanor Whitsett

*Those who are able may stand.

We invite anyone who wishes to consider membership in this church to contact the pastor or a member of the session. You may also indicate interest in membership by checking the appropriate column in the ritual of friendship booklet. Membership in this church is a step made by profession of faith, reaffirmation of faith or transfer of church letter.

Lectionary Readings for January 12: Isaiah 42:1-9; Psalm 29; Acts 10:34-43; Matthew 3:13-17.

The Urban Mission item of the month for January will be announced later in the week.

Hearing-assistance devices and **large print hymnals** are available from the ushers.

Ushers for today's service are Carl and Julie Forthman.

Communion servers for today's service are Ann Fayles, Doug and Ann Forsyth, and Lucy Lanning.

We will **ordain and/or install** new ruling elders and deacons during worship on Sunday, January 12. Mike Cole, Julie Forthman, and Michael Yeager will serve on Session, class of 2016, and Doug Forsyth will fill a vacancy in the class of 2014. The new deacons, class of 2016, will be John Beck and Jona Thiessen.

The Christian Education and Fellowship & Hospitality committees will host a **spaghetti dinner fundraiser** after worship on January 12 to raise money to help our youth attend the confirmation retreat and other camps and events such as Youth Quake in April.

Parents Helping Parents will meet Thursday, January 9 at 7 P.M. at the Education Center at Norman Regional Hospital, 901 North Porter in Norman. For more information, call 278-1221 or go to the website: www.ParentsHelpingParents.info

SUNDAY**January 5**

9:30 A.M. – Sunday School

10:30 A.M. – Fellowship and Refreshments

10:55 A.M. – Worship Service – Communion

TUESDAY**January 7**

7:00 P.M. – Session meeting

WEDNESDAY**January 8**

3:15 P.M. – Kids' Club

5:00 P.M. – Children's Choir

7:00 P.M. – Chancel Choir

THURSDAY**January 9**

No Bible Study—will resume in one week

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