

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sunday December 24th, 2018

7 pm – Christmas Eve Family Service

Please stand at items marked * if you are able.

Passages in **Bold Print** are to be spoken in Unison

Welcome & Announcements

Rev. Susan Mattinson

Organist: Carol Wehrstedt

Music Director: Kendall House

WE GATHER IN GOD'S PRESENCE

***Entry of the Bible**

Introit

Call to Worship

Hymn: "O little town of Bethlehem"

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Special Music: "Sweet Little Jesus Boy" – Evelyn Konrad

Lighting the Christ Candle (see insert)

Choir Anthem: "How Quietly/Away in a Manger" (feat. Sunday School Choir)

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

Bible Readings:

Luke 2:1-20

pg.58 NT

John 10:11-16

pg.103 NT

Hymn: "While Shepherds watched"

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Puppet Play – "Haggle's Baaad Part"

Hymn: "Hark! the herald angels sing"

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WE RESPOND TO GOD

Offering

"Be Still and know that I am God" (Ps. 46:10)
Please take the time before the service as an opportunity to quietly prepare your heart and mind for worship.

***Prayer of Dedication:**

We celebrate the birth of the Holy Child! Although born in humble surroundings, Jesus' presence surrounds all who call upon his name. The hope born in a manger long ago is birthed again. We gratefully offer these financial gifts as a way to provide hope for all God's children. We rejoice in knowing that your ministry is strengthened by our gifts and prayers. We pray in the name of the Babe in the Manger. Amen.

Special Music: "The First Noel" Carly Ross Harrison

Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer (debts...debtors)

WE GO OUT TO SERVE

Sharing the Light of Christ

(Please use caution while holding your lighted candle)

***Hymn:** "Silent Night"

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Blessing

(Candles are extinguished)

Postlude:

(Please maintain a reverent silence and stillness during the postlude.)

Thank you for worshiping with us this evening!
You're welcomed to join us for worship every Sunday at 11:00am. To keep informed about our ongoing activities and upcoming events, you can find us on Facebook at: firstchurchtbay or visit our website at: fpresbyterian.ca