

# First Presbyterian Church

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TRADITIONAL WORSHIP: 8:30am / CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP: 11:00am

COFFEE FELLOWSHIP: 9:30am in Fellowship Hall / SUNDAY SCHOOL: 10:00

Sunday, December 27, 2015

8:30am

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As the prelude plays, silently come into the Lord's presence.  
Open your heart and give yourself up to Christ  
who is here to meet you today.  
"Be still and know that I am God." Psalm 46:10

PRELUDE "Gesu Bambino" - Yon

GREETING & ANNOUNCEMENTS / RINGING OF THE BELL  
(Please sign the Fellowship Pad and pass it to your neighbor)

CALL TO WORSHIP PSALM 18

Leader: The Lord is my rock, my fortress, and my deliverer, my God, my rock in whom I take refuge, my shield, and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold.

**People: I call upon the Lord, who is worthy to be praised, so I shall be saved from my enemies.**

\*HYMN "Good Christian Friends Rejoice" No. 28

\*PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION

**Loving Lord, You have told us that if we want to take part in the kingdom of God, we must become like children. You remind us in Scripture that our self-reliance often draws us away from You and toward that which is sin. Forgive us for not trying to be like children, teach us again what it means to be innocent and without fear for the future. We praise your never ending love and Your gift of Jesus the Christ, the babe in a manger in whom we trust. Through Jesus our Savior we pray, Amen.**

\*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

\*SHARING SIGNS OF PEACE

*[Please share Christ's peace with one another with handshakes, hugs, kisses—however you feel led.]*

\*HYMN "Spirit of the Living God"  
**Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me;  
Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.  
Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me.  
Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE David Griffith

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING I Samuel 2:18-21 (OT p865)

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING Luke 2:41-52 (NT p59)

SERMON "Is Christmas for Children?" Rev. Robert Bronkema

\*HYMN "What Child is This?" No. 53

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

WE BRING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

OFFERTORY "Bethlehem" \_Johnson

\*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. Amen.*

\*HYMN "The First Noel" No. 56

\*BENEDICTION & RESPONSE "Let There Be Peace on Earth"

\*POSTLUDE "How Brightly Shines the Morning Star" – Rinck

**NEXT WEEK (COVENANT RENEWAL SUNDAY)**

Deuteronomy 31:9-13

John 15:1-8

"Abiding in the Covenant"

**11:00am**

Greeting & Announcements

\*Praise & Worship

*Joy To The World*  
*What Child is This*  
*Newborn King*

Prayer & Peace

Children's Message: David Griffith

Scripture Readings

*1 Samuel 2:18-21; Luke 2:41-52*

Sermon: *"Is Christmas for Children?"*

\*Offering/Closing Song

*Adore*

\*Benediction

SERMON NOTES:

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