

**Service of Worship for
The First Sunday after
Christmas
Sunday, December 28, 2014
at 11 a.m.**



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THE CHURCH GATHERS.....

PRELUDE

With the first notes of the organ please silently prepare yourself for worship

THE CHIMING OF THE HOUR

WELCOME AND SHARING OF COMMUNITY LIFE

INTROIT No. 37

“Infant Holy, Infant Lowly”

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: In Christ, the fullness of time has come.

People: The Spirit and the Son are with us.

Leader: As beloved children of God we pray:

People: Shine in our lives, Lord Jesus Christ.

***HYMN OF PRAISE No. 31**

“Hark, The Herald Angels Sing”

***UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**God our Savior, we confess
that we fail to live in your light.
You reveal your saving love,
but we hide your love from others.
You claim us as your children,
but we do not claim you as our God.
Forgive us, God of grace.
Let your will be done in our lives
so that we may live in peace
according to your word;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.**

*** PERSONAL PRAYERS OF CONFESSION IN SILENCE**

*** THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

*** THE RESPONSE OF PRAISE AND GRATITUDE No. 23**

“ Angels We Have Heard on High”

Verse 1

TO HEAR AND REFLECT ON GOD’S WORD

A TIME FOR OUR CHILDREN

(Children age 5 and under are excused to go downstairs after our Children’s Time)

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Psalm 148

Pew Bible Page #508

The Response: Leader: This is the Word of the Lord
People: Thanks be to God!

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

Luke 2:22-40
Pew Bible Page #857-8

The Response: Leader: This is the Word of the Lord
People: Thanks be to God!

ANTHEM

“Alleluia”
Arranged by John Coates, Jr.

SERMON

“ Old Folks”

Rev. Dr. Ted Land

* HYMN OF AFFIRMATION No. 36

“In The Bleak Midwinter”

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

THE FELLOWSHIP OF SILENT PRAYER

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION AND SUPPLICATION

THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.
thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is
in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive
us our debts as we forgive our debtors; and lead us
not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For
thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,
forever. Amen.**

PRESENTATION OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

THE OFFERTORY

*** THE OFFERTORY RESPONSE No. 23**

“Angels We Have Heard on High” Verse 2

*** PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

TO GO OUT AND SERVE..

*** HYMN OF PRAISE AND PROCLAMATION No. 40**

“Joy to the World”

*** THE BENEDICTION**

*** THE RESPONSE FOR CHOIR AND CONGREGATION No. 23**

“Angels We Have Heard on High” Verse 3

***All who can do so comfortably will please stand**

To Our Guests – Welcome to the First Presbyterian Church of Marianna. We are happy to have you worship with us today. We invite you to join us each Sunday, as we worship and study God’s word. If you would like more information concerning our church, you may fill out one of the *Welcome* cards in the pews and place it on the offering plate, talk to the ushers or call the church office.

Nursery care is available for children Kindergarten and below during our Worship Service each Sunday morning. Children may be taken to the nursery before the service begins, or after the Time with Our Children.

Poinsettias gracing the sanctuary this morning and are given to the Glory of God.

Our Prayer Calendar: Mike Andrejko (requested by Mary Wierman), Ned Grove, Margaret McRae (requested by Betty Joyce Hand), Eleanor Houyoux, Ron Wierman (brother of Bud Wierman), Bill Nelson (requested by Hazel Nelson), Will Rountree (requested by Jo-Ann Rountree), Don Morris (requested by Jim Gibbs), Matt Lein, Ise Daffin, Gina Stuart, Louise Wilkinson Spivey, James Carpenter (Freddie's brother), Sid Riley and Doris Adkins (requested by Dot Carpenter), Cliff Stewart (requested by Ginger Green), Joy Gilbert, Daun Crews, Mary McLure Clark, Jeff Hinson and Family, Stanley Littleton, Kena Nelson, JoAnn Rountree, Dr. Wade Crankshaw (requested by Rev. Ted Land), Piper Montana Smith (niece of Polly Land), Millie Sica, Julie Stadskev and James Griffith.

Every Sunday morning there are **Education Classes** for all age groups between 9:45 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. There are three classes for Adults. Next Sunday the Adults in the parlor will be studying: A Model for Prayer *Luke 11:1-13*. Upstairs the Adult Class in Room 4 will be studying the texts.

The **2015 Stewardship campaign** is currently ongoing and your continued giving of financial support, time, and talents make the Missions of First Presbyterian Church possible.

Please remember that all contributions that you want recorded for the year 2014 must be dated **December 31, 2014** and either brought to the church, or be postmarked by December 31. You may drop an envelope through the mail slot in the front door of the office. If you have not yet turned in a commitment or time and talents form, they are available on the table outside the fellowship hall or from the office.

The Church office will be closed Wednesday, December 30 thru Friday January 2.

This week in the life of the church . .

Monday	Ladies Exercise Class at 9:00 a.m.
Tuesday	Newsletter Collated at 1:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal at 5:00 p.m.
Wednesday	New Year's Eve! Office Closed
Thursday	New Year's Day! Office Closed
Friday	Office Closed Ladies Exercise Class at 9:00 a.m.
Sunday	Coffee and Juice at 9:15 a.m. in the fellowship hall Sunday School for all Ages at 9:45 a.m. Worship at 11:00 a.m. Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be celebrated.

Interim Pastor: Rev. Dr. Ted Land
Church Administrator: Valerie Marlow
Organist: Stanley Littleton
Custodian: Amy Godfrey
Pantry Coordinator: Melissa Krebeck
Nursery Assistants: Tina Wilson and Carlee Wilson



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