

# LITURGY FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

December 22, 2024

## FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

### The Piano Prelude

#### Call to Meditation: Matthew 25:31

“When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him,  
then he will sit on his glorious throne.”

### The Prelude

#### The Lighting of the Advent Candle: Luke 2:13-14

Bobby, Nicole, Keller, McKendry & Kohen Roach

#### \*Call to Worship: Isaiah 12:3-6

**Leader:** Give thanks to the Lord, call upon his name, make known his deeds among the peoples, proclaim that his name is exalted.

**All:** *Sing praises to the Lord, for he has done glorious things.*

**Leader:** Let this be made known in all the earth; let us worship God.

**All:** *Let us shout and sing for joy, for great is the Holy One who has come into our midst.*

#### \*The Hymn: “Angels, from the Realms of Glory” No. 131

#### \*Responsive Reading: taken from Micah 5

**Leader:** “But you, Bethlehem Ephrathah, though you are small among the clans of Judah,

**All:** *out of you will come for me one who will be ruler over Israel,*

**Leader:** whose origins are from of old, from ancient times.”

**All:** *He will stand and shepherd his flock in the strength of the Lord,*

**Leader:** in the majesty of the name of the Lord his God.

**All:** *And they will live securely,*

**Leader:** for then his greatness will reach to the ends of the earth.

**All:** *And he will be our peace.*

#### \*Congregational Response: “Joy to the World!” (vv. 1,2) No. 125

#### \*Prayer of Invocation & 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. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.*

### Greetings & Announcements

#### The Giving of Tithes and Offerings

#### The Offertory

#### \*The Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

*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*

**Scripture Reading:** Colossians 2:12-15

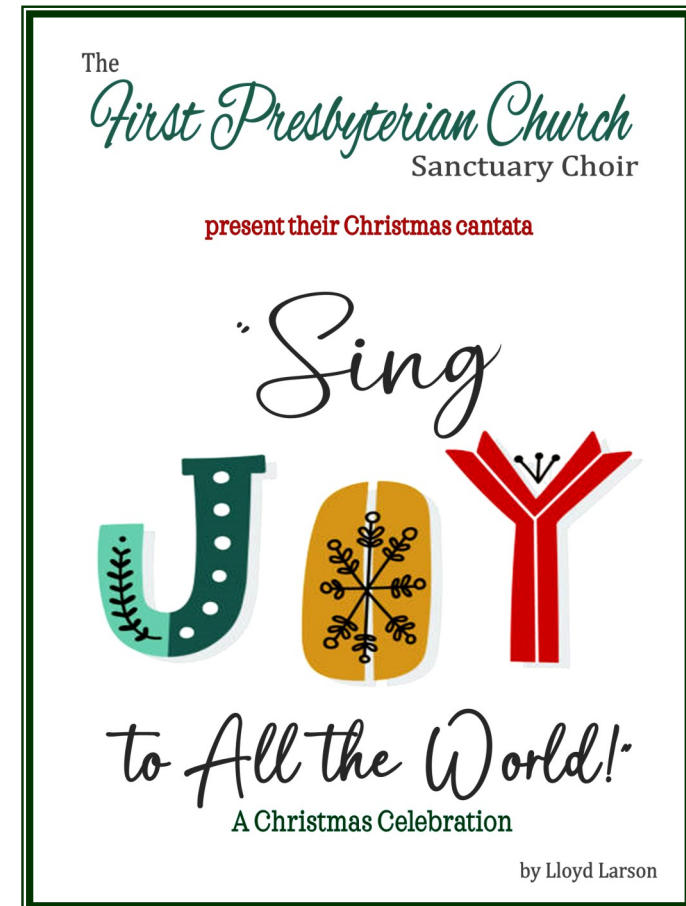
**Scripture Response:** Psalm 119:12,16

**Leader:** This is the Word of God

**All:** *“Blessed are you, O Lord; teach me your statutes. I will delight in your statutes;  
I will not forget your Word.”*

**Homily:** “CHRIST IS ... Our Triumph”

**First Presbyterian Church Sanctuary Choir Christmas Cantata:**



\* **Benediction**

\* **Choral Benediction:** “Sing Joy to All the World!”

\* **Postlude**



Christmas Eve  
Communion Candlelight Worship Service  
4:30 p.m.

*First Presbyterian Church*



*Fourth Sunday of Advent*