

Welcome to



**SECOND PRES**

Children's Program

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9:00 AM

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## PRELUDE

Dr. Dennis Gotkowski

Carol of the Bells arr. Mark Kellner  
Deck the Halls arr. Heather Sorenson

## WELCOME & LIFE TOGETHER

Jamie Kaiser

## HYMN

Congregational Singing

Go, Tell It on the Mountain No. 29

## \*CALL to WORSHIP

Danny Worth

We come from a world of darkness,  
**into Christ's world of light.**

We come from a world of weariness,  
**into God's strength and hope.**

We come from a slumbering world.

**Strengthened by the Spirit, we come to awaken our souls and watch for  
the coming of Christ.**

## \*CALL to CONFESSION

Jill Miller

## \*PRAYER of CONFESSION

Jill Miller

**God of grace and truth, in Jesus Christ you came among us as light  
shining in darkness. We confess that we have not welcomed the light or  
trusted the good news to be good. We have closed our eyes to glory in our  
midst, expecting little, and hoping for less.**

**Forgive our doubt, renew our hope so that we may receive the fullness of  
your grace, and live in the truth of Christ the Lord.**

## \*ASSURANCE of PARDON

Danny Worth

Hear the promise of the Lord:

**See, our salvation has come!**

**We are a holy people, redeemed by God, sought out and not forsaken.**

In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

**Thanks be to God.**

## ADVENT WREATH LIGHTING

Elder Ruth Gabor & Linda Brucker

## \*PASSING of the PEACE

Kate Springer

## ANTHEM

Dr. Dennis Gotkowski

O Christmas Tree arr. Patti Drennan

## BIRTH of JESUS FORETOLD

Carter Tindall

## CAROL

KidsMin & Congregational Singing

O Little Town of Bethlehem No. 44

**BIRTH OF JESUS**

Madelyn Miller

**CAROL**

O Holy Night

KidsMin & Congregational Singing

**SHEPHERDS AND ANGELS**

Carter Tindall

**CAROL**

Hark! The Herald Angels Sing No. 31

KidsMin & Congregational Singing

**SHEPHERDS VISITING JESUS**

Madelyn Miller

**CAROL**

The First Nowell No. 56

KidsMin & Congregational Singing

**MESSAGE**

The Meaning of Christmas

Jamie Kaiser

**CAROL**

Joy to the World! No. 40

KidsMin & Congregational Singing

**OFFERING**

Offertory Still, Still Still arr. Lloyd Larson

\*Doxology

\*Prayer of Thanksgiving

Rev. Trey Haddon

**SACRAMENT of HOLY COMMUNION**

Ending with the Lord's Prayer

Rev. Trey Haddon, Jamie Kaiser &  
Morgan Miller

**\*HYMN**

Joy to the World! No. 40, v. 1

Congregational Singing

**BENEDICTION**

Jamie Kaiser

**POSTLUDE**

Go, Tell It on the Mountain arr. Mark Kellner

Dr. Dennis Gotkowski

*We invite the congregation to join in singing each carol after the children have finished the first verse. Lyrics are on the screens at the front.*

*\*Please stand*

# UPCOMING at SECONDPRES

## ADVENT BRUNCH

We invite you to join us for our annual Advent Brunch today following service today in the Fellowship Hall. There is a suggested donation of \$10. All are welcome to attend!

## POINSETTIAS DONATIONS

The Deacons have purchased poinsettias for our members in nursing homes, retirement communities, and for our members who are homebound. If you would like to remember or honor a loved one in the Christmas Eve bulletin, please consider filling out a card at the Connection Point or at Kim's desk during the week. The suggested donation is \$20.00 and cards must be filled out by December 13.

## ADVENT ACE CLASS

The Advent Adult Christian Education Class led by Rev. Trey Haddon will be held Sunday, December 15 & December 22.

## LIVE NATIVITY THANK YOU!

Thank you to all involved with the live nativity this past Friday! Without help from all of you, our event would not have been such a success. Thank you!

## EVERY SUNDAY

8:45 am: Sunday Morning Brunch  
9:00 am: Worship Service  
10:15 am: ACE (Adult Christian Education)  
10:15 am: High School Brunch  
3:00 pm: Lego League Robotics (*Grades 4-8*)

## EVERY TUESDAY

7:00 pm: Scouts Troops 903 and 9903  
6-8:00 pm: First Tech Challenge (FTC)  
Robotics (*Grades 7-12*)

## EVERY WEDNESDAY

6-7:30 pm: K-5th KidsMin (90 min.)  
6-7:30 pm: 6-8th YOUthMin (90 min.)  
6:30-8:00 pm: Chapel Choir Rehearsal

## EVERY THURSDAY

11:30 am: Thursday Prayer Lunch

Before the service begins, please check in using your pew pad (located in each pew) or via the Second Pres church app.

## REVERSE ADVENT

This week's suggested items for Reverse Advent are:

- Canned corn
- Ramen noodles
- Graham crackers
- Vienna sausage
- Canned potatoes or 3 potatoes
- Rain poncho
- Cereal

These donations help our downtown neighbors in need. You may bring any item at any time during business hours!

## CHRISTMAS EVE CANDLELIGHT SERVICE

We invite you to join us on Tuesday, December 24 at 4:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary as we come together to celebrate the Advent season. All are welcome to attend as we observe this most joyous time of year. This service is completely family friendly and open to all visitors. For our Second Pres church family who are unable to attend in-person, visit [secondpres.com/livestream](http://secondpres.com/livestream). There will no service on Wednesday, December 25, Christmas Day.

## ADVENT AT SECOND PRES

12/8: Children's Program, 9A  
12/8: Advent Brunch, following service  
12/15, 12/22: ACE class with Rev. Trey, 10:15A  
12/1, 12/8, 12/15, 12/22: Worship Service, 9A  
12/24: Christmas Eve Service, 4P

## BIBLE STUDIES

### EVERY TUESDAY

8:30 am: Morning Men's Bible Study (Wylie)

### EVERY OTHER TUESDAY

11:30 am: Bible Study (Jones)

### EVERY WEDNESDAY

6-7:45 p.m.: The Gathering Bible Study (Jennings)

For more information on Bible studies  
visit: [secondpres.com/biblestudy](http://secondpres.com/biblestudy)