

*The First Presbyterian Church
Ann Arbor, Michigan
Family Service and Children's Pageant
December 24, 2008*



Welcome to All!

A special welcome to visitors and newcomers to Ann Arbor. Let us know of your presence by completing the pew card and introducing yourself to a minister after the service. Please know you are invited to share in all activities of the church. Brochures about programs at First Presbyterian Church are located in the entryway at the back of the sanctuary and at the Welcome Center (through the pulpit door and downstairs).

As we prepare for worship, please turn off all cell phones and beepers.
Hearing assistive devices, large print bulletins, hymnals
and Bibles are available from the ushers.

**Those parts of the Service of Worship in which the congregation
participates in word or song are noted in bold type.**

* Those who are able, please stand.

*Our mission is to grow spiritually as disciples of Jesus Christ through
worship, fellowship, mission, learning, and prayer. We commit
ourselves, in all we say and do, to demonstrate God's grace and love.*

THE CHURCH AT WORSHIP

3:00 p.m.

VOLUNTARY

Carols of the Season

Instrumental Ensemble

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Listen, children of God, the Lord shall give you a sign:
a bright star shall be made to shine over Bethlehem,
marking the place where a virgin shall bring forth a
child, the very Son of God.

**People: His name shall be called Emmanuel, Wonderful
Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of
Peace.**

Leader: Come, children of God, come and follow the star to
Bethlehem. Come and adore Christ the newborn King.

HYMN 44 O Little Town of Bethlehem

St. Louis

READING God's Promise Told to Mary and Joseph

Luke 1:26-38

Matthew 1:18-25 (adapted)

ANTHEM A Light to Follow

Grace Jones

*A star bold and bright pierced the black night, and pushed all the darkness
away. A star bold and bright, pierced the black night, and even caused
shepherds to stray. They came on down, to Bethlehem town, to find where
the bright beam led. And there they found a newborn child with a manger
for a bed. Jesus, the child, was bathed in starlight, and lit by its heavenly
glow. The shepherds in awe knelt down in the straw, when they sensed
the truth they were shown. That this child of God brought the light. That
this child of God was the light. A light to follow, on all our ways, a light
to follow, for all of our days.*

Alleluia Choir

READING The Journey of Mary and Joseph

Luke 2:1-5

HYMN 1 Come Thou Long Expected Jesus

Stuttgart

READING The Birth of Jesus

Luke 2:6-7

ANTHEM Silent Night

*Stille Nacht, heilige nacht! Alles schlaft, einsam wacht nur das traute,
hochheilige Paar. Holder Knabe im lockigen Haar. Schlaf' in himmlischer
Ruh', Schlaf' in himmlischer Ruh'. Silent night, holy night! All is calm,
all is bright, round yon Virgin Mother and Child. Holy Infant, so tender
and mild, sleep in heavenly peace, sleep in heavenly peace. Silent night,
holy night! Shepherds quake at the sight, glories stream from heaven
afar, heavenly hosts sing "Alleluia! Christ the Savior is born, Christ the
Savior is born."*

Hosanna Choir

Congregation joins in singing:

**Silent night, holy night! Son of God, love's pure light radiant
beams from thy holy face, with the dawn of redeeming grace,
Jesus, Lord, at thy birth, Jesus, Lord at thy birth.**

READING The Angels Appear to the Shepherds

Luke 2:8-14

HYMN 23 Angels We Have Heard on High

Gloria

READING The Shepherds Come to the Manger

Luke 2:15-16

HYMN 25 Away in a Manger
Verses 1 and 2

Mueller

READING The Shepherds Tell of the Birth of Jesus Luke 2:17-20

HYMN 29 Go, Tell It on the Mountain

Go Tell It

READING The Visit of the Magi

Matthew 2:1-11

ANTHEM Hurry to Bethlehem

Allen Pote

Hurry! Hurry! Hurry to Bethlehem! Run to the stable to see the baby boy. Come with me to manger to see the infant King. Bring your gifts on bended knee. Together let us sing! Gloria in excelsis Deo, Glory to God in the highest! Hurry, hurry, hurry, run to the stable, quickly come run with me! Hurry! Hurry! Hurry to Bethlehem! Run to the stable to see the baby boy!

Hosanna Choir

HYMNS 46 On This Day Earth Shall Ring
Verses 1 and 4

Personent Hodie

OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS

The children are invited to come forward with their gifts.

HYMN 41 O Come, All Ye Faithful
verses 1 and 2

Adeste Fideles

HYMN 38 It Came Upon the Midnight Clear
verse 1 and 2

Carol

HYMN 31 Hark! The Herald Angels Sing
verses 1 and 3

Mendelssohn

CHRISTMAS PRAYER

CLOSING HYMN 40 Joy to the World!
Verses 1, 2 and 4

Antioch

BENEDICTION

VOLUNTARY

THE LEADERS are Deborah MacVey and the Reverend Douglas J. Brouwer.

THE ORGANISTS are Susan Boggs and Carol Muehlig.

THE VIOLINIST is Barbara Trevethan.

DIRECTING THE ALLELUIA CHOIR are Carol Muehlig and Grace Jones.

DIRECTING THE HOSANNA CHOIR are Susan Boggs and Barbara Trevethan.

DIRECTING THE INSTRUMENTAL ENSEMBLE is Linda Speck.

THE INSTRUMENTAL ENSEMBLE is composed of members and friends of the Presbyterian Orchestra.



Pageant Participants

* - The asterisk denotes those participating in the choirs.

Starbearers

Andy Armstrong
 Ronny Armstrong
 Ian Balint
 Nicholas Bowers
 Katie Bruce
 Mary Corey
 James Dabrowski
 Elle Denzin
 Russ Endicott
 *Isabelle German
 *Katie German
 Alex Gooch
 Ethan Hamden
 Shannon Hoy
 Alexandra Hummel
 Charlie Jones
 Cate Lazarus
 Emma Lazarus
 Amanda Lin
 Dani Macorkindale
 Nicholas Pariano
 Joseph Pariano
 James Pezda
 Andrew Pezda
 Riley Pynnonen
 *Luke Rogers
 Josiah Schaafsma
 Lucy Schneidewind
 Calvin Shaw
 Emmett Shaw
 Dorothy Simon
 Alena Song
 Veronica Sorter
 Nathaniel Spirt-Jones
 Ryan Tippy
 Michael Tippy
 Claire Weaver
 Jackson Willmer

Shepherd Guide

Erin Tichenor

Shepherds

Michael Morrison
 Thomas Morrison
 Alex Pynnonen
 *Charlie Rogers
 Stephanie Sorter

Shepherd Angel

Nora Pierson

Angel Guides

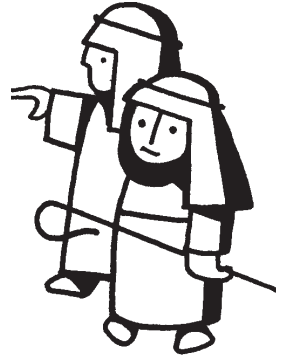
*Hannah Chen
 Dallas Colligan
 *Rhiannon Tomtishen

Angels

Bethany Balint
 Madelyn Bowers
 Heather Brouwer
 *Allison Dabrowski
 *Allie Einhaus
 *Nicole France
 *Denali Gere
 *Isabella Giviyan
 *Emilee Gooch
 *Johanna Hocksted
 Greta Hoffman
 Sophie Jones
 Alexandra Montgomery
 *Anna Michelle Nicklas
 *Lydia Schaafsma
 Julia Shearon
 Hannah Spirt-Jones
 Nicole Weber

Magi

Trip Apley
 Jordan Bruce
 Charlie Butz
 *Andrew Chen
 *Samuel Chen
 Chase Colligan
 Johnny Dodson
 *Hannah Erben
 *Leah Erben
 *David Endicott
 *Clayton Farmer
 *Willie Glover
 Ryan Gooch
 Jack Lazarus
 *John Matthew Nicklas
 Maddie Perrett
 Rachel Shearon
 *Laura Stahl
 *Alan Stahl
 *Elaina Stevenson
 Sam Talsma
 Sean Tichenor
 Kiernan Tomtishen
 *Nathaniel Tomtishen



Mary

Kim Gernant

Joseph

Tim Gernant

Mary and Joseph

Star Guide

Joshua Gernant

Angel Gabriel

Lindsay Balint

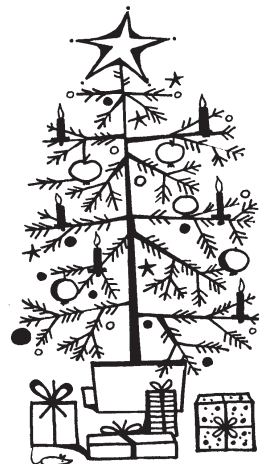
Baby Jesus:

Jacob Gernant

Lights

Michael Doa

Mike Doa





**CHRISTMAS EVE OFFERING TO SUPPORT
THE HAITI SCHOOL OF NURSING IN LEOGANE**

The Mission Committee has designated the Haiti School of Nursing in Leogane as the recipient of this year's Christmas Eve offering. Members of First Pres were instrumental in starting the school, which is the first four-year baccalaureate nursing school in Haiti. It opened in 2005, has 127 students, and is about to graduate its first class in January.

Announcements

THE CHILDREN'S GIFTS of socks and underwear will be distributed through the House by the Side of the Road.

THE CHURCH OFFICE is closed today.

THERE WILL BE SERVICES OF LESSONS AND CAROLS at 5:00 and 7:30 p.m. this evening.

THERE WILL BE A SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION at 11:00 p.m. this evening.

THERE WILL BE ONLY ONE WORSHIP SERVICE on Sunday, December 28, at 10:00 a.m. Children are encouraged to worship with their parents; childcare will be available for the youngest children only. (Parents may be asked to present a picture I.D. when they pick up their children.)

THE CHURCH BUILDING WILL BE CLOSED on December 25, 26, and January 1. The building will close at 1:00 p.m. on December 31.

LOOKING FOR A CHURCH HOME? Just curious about Presbyterian beliefs and worship? Join us on Sundays, January 11, 18, 25, and February 1 for the latest series of new member/inquirer classes. Those who wish to join the church may do so at the 9:30 a.m. worship service on February 8 (we treat you to breakfast before the service). If you are interested in participating, contact Rev. Budge Gere at 662-4466, ext. 53, or bgere@firstpresbyterian.org.

The Poinsettias

*that decorate the chancel on December 21, Christmas Eve, and December 28
are given in memory or in honor of a loved one or family member.*

*Following worship, the poinsettias will be delivered by the deacons to our
shut-ins, those who are ill, and those who are grieving.*

In Memory of:

Barbara Alexander

George Alexander

Lois Alexander

Paul Alexander

Tommy André

Elmer Apley

John Armezzani

Marty Austin

William E. Austin, Sr.

Joan C. Banfield

Ralph W. Banfield

Claude Barnard

Lyle Barnard

Marion Barnard

Bruce Bartman

Merlee Bartman

Carl Bartscht

Josephine Bartscht

Shirley Beebe

Marie Therese Bookless

Audrey T. Boseman

Carolyn Bovenkerk

Mr. Doug Bradford

Bud Brenkert

Catherine Brenkert

Rev. Charles F. Brewer

George R. Brewer

John H. Bryant

Bill Burgess

Bob Campbell

Louise Campbell

Marian Cares

Susan Clark

Guernsy Collins

Reina Collins

Lena Cooper

John Dayton

Gail DeConick

Ilene De Haan

Jean de Koning

Henry de Koning

Richard W. DeMuth

Earl W. Deardorff

Eleanor (Ellie) Dickinson

George D. Dibble

Angela S. Dobson

Peter M. Dobson

Russell T. Dobson, Jr.

William T. Dobson

Anne Donofrio

Hugh Donofrio

Patrick Dorn

Thomas Dorn

Kenneth W. Dunkle

Martin Edwards

Rosalie Edwards

Walter "Skee" Edwards

Jay Einhaus

David H. Emmons

Richard "Dick" Emmons

David G. Endicott

Cheri Beth De Haan Erben

Herb Estes

Stelle Estes

Paul Etter

Susan Etter

Elizabeth Dunkle Evans

Mary Jo Farmer

Robert Farmer

Margaret Ference

Michael Ference

Mary Ellen Flanagan

Mary J. Flanagan

Sally Fleming

Ivan Victor Fosheim, Jr.

Ivan Victor Fosheim, Sr.

Mary Friskey

Ruth Frister

Sally Carlos Frister

Nick Frolick

Edmund Galant

Marjorie Galant

Lisa Ann Gallagher

Robert L. Gardner

Lloyd Gauntlett

Margaret Chamberlain Gere

Elizabeth N. Glinka

Hedy Goldsmith

Bea Gunderson

Roy Gunderson

Eugene Haddan

John T. Hall

Sarah P. Hall

Marion Hanley

Weldon Hare

Scott Hausen

Bonnie Heald

John Hildebrandt Henderson

Edwin Henry

James Calvin Henry
Myra Henry
William Hepola
Griffith Herold
Mary Herold
Daniel S. Hoag
Alan Hobart
Mady Hobart
Vernon Hobart
Amos Hoff
Fern Hoff
Dr. Julian Hoff
Mr. & Mrs. Harvey Hoff
Paul Horan
Phyllis L. Howard
Don Howe
Eugenia Hughes
Rollin Hughes
Delia S. Hunter
John C. Hunter
John C. Hunter, Jr.
Laurin R. Hunter
Milton Hunter
Rev. Bruce G. Ingles
Kathryn Inglis
August Jacobson
Richard Janz
Frances Jelinek
Mary Jilek
Frances Johnson
Johnny Johnson
Ester Katz
Hazel Kaufman
Gertrude Keegan
Robert Keegan
Betty Keller
Donald A. Kerr
June Kerr
Ruth Kerschbaum
Laura Kingery
Richard Kingery
Clyde (Stub) Kloack
Alger Koepfgen
Helen Koepfgen
Christine Kostbade
Howard Kostbade
Alma Kruger
Mrs. Helen Hoff Kuethe
Henry Kuizenga
Pamela LaMoreaux
Douglas Lane
Thomas W. Leabo
Shu-Chung Liao
Kenneth Lindley
Merv Mack
Lt. Commander Michael McCarthy
Harris McClamroch, Jr.
Ruth Mc Cracken

Patrick J. McDevitt
Patrick M. McDevitt
Barbara I. McKinley
George Milroy
Harold J. Montgomery
Constance M. Morley
James Mortensen
Marie Mortensen
Stephen Patton Moss
Robert E. Mueller
Elizabeth Najpaver
Joseph Najpaver
Merle Nash
Vina Nash
Boyd Nixon
Grace Nixon
Arvid Nordin
Julia Nordin
Louise Ostrander
Delia Ouimet
Edward Ouimet
Lawrence Ouimet
Magdaline Ouimet
Clare Palmer
Harvey Palmer
William M. Perrett III
Mr. Laurence Peterson
Mrs. Laurence Peterson
Maynard Phelps
Mildred Phelps
Fred Pickard
Roy Pierce
Vernon J. Piers
Jim Pilcher
Margie Pilcher
Richard L. Platte, Sr.
Herman Primas
Margaret Primas
Mr. W. Eugene Rankin, Jr.
Mr. Frank Raphaelion
Mrs. Frank Raphaelion
Vivian Reese
Walter Reese
Willis Reineman
Robert C. Ressler
Henry Rezmierski
Olga Rezmierski
Len Riccinto
F. E. (Bill) Richart
Hillary Dobson Ripmaster
Charlie Roberts
Lee Roberts
George Robinson
Rosetta Robinson
Sally Rogers
Marie Rugen
Allen Saunders
Ruth Saunders

Joseph Savarino
 Sarah Savarino
 Edna Johanna Scaatz
 Dr. Harry Schmidt
 Mrs. Harry Schmidt
 Philip Servais
 Mr. & Mrs. John Shanks
 Herb Shephard, Sr.
 Mr. Gordon B. Sherard
 Mrs. Gordon B. Sherard
 Oren G. Sherman, Jr.
 Eric Shih
 Helene Siegel
 James R. Slocum, Sr.
 Howard C. Slocum
 Mary D. Slocum
 Barbara K. Smith
 J. E. Keith Smith
 Mark Snyder
 Mildred Snyder
 Mildred Southgate
 Robert Southgate
 Clarence James Staley
 Simon Stein
 Jean Stem
 Russell Stem
 Duel Stephens
 Marian Strodman
 David Stryker
 Harold Stryker
 Ruth Stryker
 Ruth V. Sutton
 James Talbott
 David K. Tanner
 Glen K. Tanner
 Maxwell E. Tanner
 Stan Taylor
 Barbara Ternes
 Eugene H. Towner
 Dick Tripp
 Dick Trytten
 Francis Trytten
 Jack Trytten
 Charles Urquhart
 Thelma Mae Alice VanderVeen
 J. M. Walker
 Perry Walker
 Sallie Walker
 Viola Walker
 Christine Stephenson Watrous
 Almira White
 Hubert White
 Williams Family & Grandparents
 Carol B. Wood
 Elsie M. Wood
 William M. Wood



Yancer Family & Grandparents
 Agnes Yarmain
 Harry Yarmain

In Honor of:

David Arnsdorf
 Linda Arnsdorf
 Rachel Arnsdorf
 William E. Austin Jr.
 Erika Boothman
 Alexander D. Buchanan
 Susan Cares
 Thelma H. Duffell
 The Glinka-Endicott Family
 Blanche S. Erdman
 E. M. Farmer
 Matthew Glinka
 Andrew Henning
 George Henning
 Sue Henning
 William Henning
 Downs Herold
 Sandy Herold
 Mary Hunter
 Katie Jozwick
 Sean K. Kesterson, M.D.
 Katie Miller
 Anna Oliva
 Roy Oliva
 Melissa Anne Rogers
 Ashley Smith
 Brian Smith
 Jen Smith
 Stephen Smith
 Susanne Smith
 Tyler Smith
 Robin Snyder
 Lynn L. Sutton
 Leroy Taylor
 Virgene Taylor
 Dorothy Zelisse
 Henry Zelisse