

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### *Tomorrow is the Last Day for the PW Christmas Auction!*

**CHRISTMAS AUCTION** — The PW Christmas Auction continues ONLINE at [www.fpcd.org/auction](http://www.fpcd.org/auction) and will end on Monday Dec. 13 at midnight. Invite your friends to participate!

**CHOIR CHRISTMAS CONCERT** — Join us for our choir Christmas concert, "I Hear the Prophets Calling" NEXT Sunday, December 19, 10:30 AM. Bring a friend!

**CANDLELIGHT SERVICE** — Bring your families and worship with us on Christmas Eve! We will have our Candlelight Service at 6:00 PM.

**CHRISTMAS CAROL SING** — Join us for our annual Christmas Carol Sing on Sunday, December 26, 10:30 AM! Families or groups of people are invited to sing a carol together. Children are invited to recite a poem or Bible verse. Let's make this a celebration!

**MEMBER CARE MEETING** — Monday, Dec. 13, 7:00 PM

**CHOIR REHEARSAL** — Wed., Dec. 15, 7:00 PM.

**NEWSLETTER** — Articles for the January newsletter are due by Wed, Dec. 15. Please email to Brenda!

**SESSION/MEMBER CARE CHRISTMAS PARTY** — This Thursday, December 16, 6:30 PM at the Ingrams house.

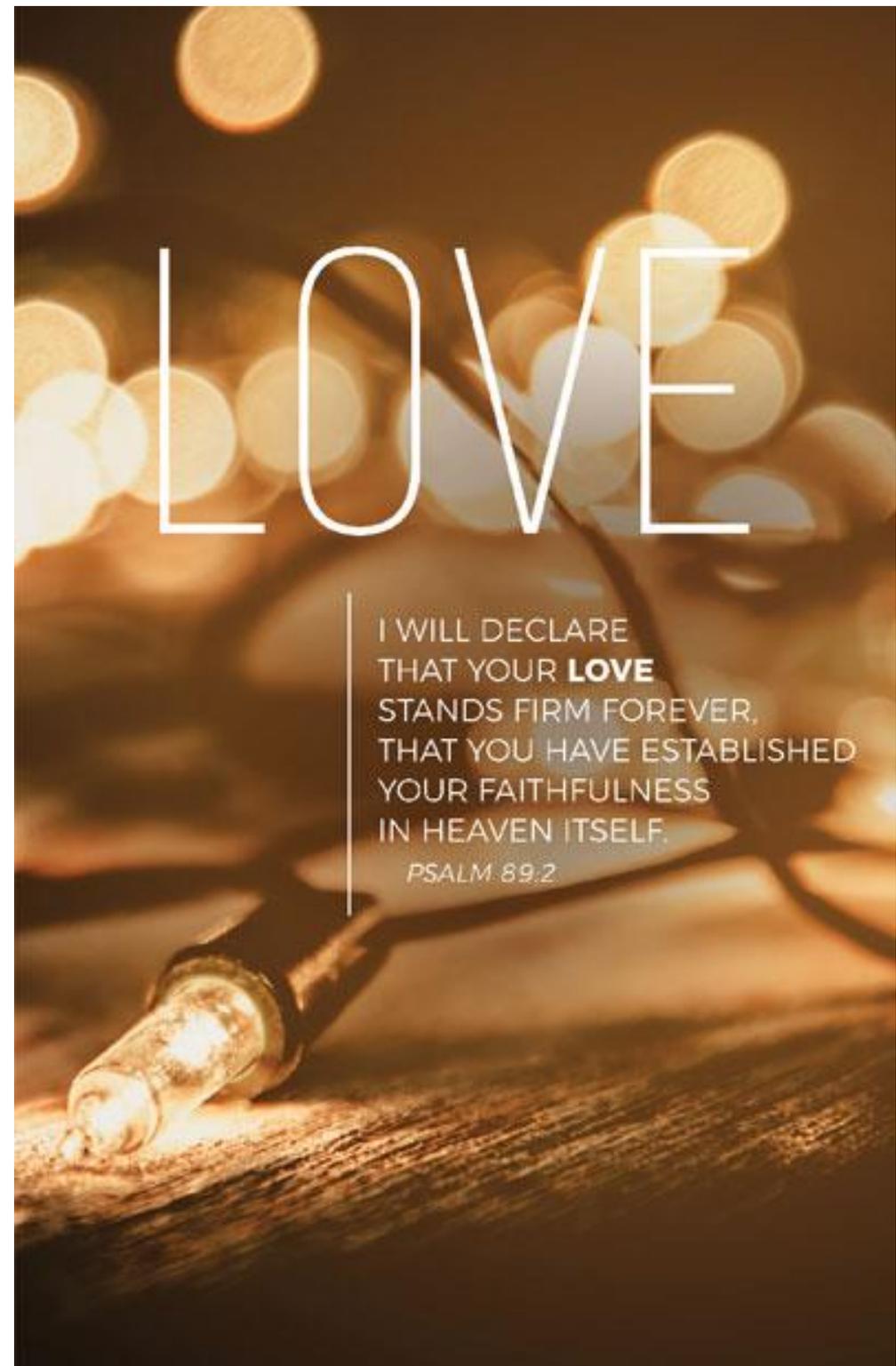
**PRAYER MINISTRIES** — If you need prayer, let us know! We are still accepting prayer requests in the "Prayer Mail" box in the parking lot, or you can submit your requests online at [www.fpcd.org/prayer](http://www.fpcd.org/prayer)

**STAFF GIFTS** — Please consider a special Christmas offering for the staff of FPCD. Designate "staff gift" on your check and place in the offering plate or mail to the church by Dec. 19. Thank you for all your love and support!



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*Connecting with God and sharing the Good News of Jesus Christ with the community*



# FIRST Presbyterian Church

Sunday, December 12, 2021 – 10:30 A.M.

Love



## WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

### INTROIT

*Jesus, Oh What A Wonderful Child*

### CALL TO WORSHIP

Lori Glover

*I will sing of your loyalty and justice, LORD. I will praise you with songs. I will study the way that is blameless—when shall I attain it? I will lead a life of integrity in my own home. . . . I refuse to take a second look at those who deal crookedly. . . . I will reject perverse ideas and stay away from every evil. I will not tolerate people who slander their neighbors. I will not endure conceit and pride. I will search for faithful people to be my companions and they shall minister to me.*

### WORSHIP SONGS

*Jesus Be the Center  
None But Jesus*

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Lori Glover

*God, who am I that I should try to answer you or even reason with you? Even if I were right, I would have no defense, for all humans are sinners. I could only plead for mercy. Therefore hear now my silent confessions, and with mercy, Lord, please forgive me.*

### ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Jeff Thorpe

## OFFERING

## CHILDREN'S MOMENT & ADVENT CANDLE

## CHRISTMAS CAROL

*I Wonder As I Wander, 139R*

## SCRIPTURE

Isaiah 11:1-5

Lori Glover

## ANTHEM

*Gesu' Bambino (The Infant Jesus)*

## MESSAGE

Matthew 1:18-25

Matthew 2:3-15, *selected*

"Acts of Love"

*Coming Home for Christmas*

Rev. Dr. Ginger Hertenstein

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

The Lord's Prayer

## HYMN

*All Creatures of Our God and King*

## BENEDICTION

## POSTLUDE

\*Please stand, if able. Sermons are available online at [www.fpcd.org](http://www.fpcd.org).  
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The "R" stands for *Hymnal for Worship & Celebration*.

## INFORMATION FOR GUESTS AND VISITORS

We would like to extend a special welcome to guests and visitors. If this is your first visit with us, please let us know by filling out the pad which is passed during the "Welcome." Assisted hearing devices are available in the sound room should you need one. You are important!

### For children:

- Nursery care is provided for ages 0-4 in the Education bldg.
- Children are invited to come forward during Children's Moment.
- Children are welcome to stay with you during church.
- Children's bulletins and activity boxes are in the narthex.