

## WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

### PRELUDE

### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### \*The Peace

The peace of Christ be with you.

*And also with you.*

*Please turn to your neighbor and exchange the greeting of peace.*

#### \*Advent Chorus

*They'll Know We are Christians*

We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord

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And we pray that all unity may one day be restored.

And they'll know we are Christians by our Love, By our Love,

Yes they'll know we are Christians by our Love.

#### Call to Worship

Leader: Come, all that are faithful, and all that seek faith.

*People: It is the season to sing and rejoice!*

Leader: The symbol of new hope and spirit shines, the spirit of peace.

*People: And we would follow and find that peace.*

Leader: We now have a promise fulfilled by God,

*People: That the Christ who is born will call us to a new life of faith and action!*

#### \*Hymn of Praise #34 "In Bethlehem a Babe Was Born"

*Discovery*

#### Prayer of Confession

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

#### Declaration of Pardon

Leader: Hear the good news! As far as the east is from the west,  
so far does God remove our sins from us.

*People: As a father pities his children, so the Lord pities those who trust him.*

Leader: Friends, live and believe the good news.

*People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.*

#### Prayer Response "God Rest You Merry"

God rest you merry, gentlemen, Let nothing you dismay;

Remember Christ, our Savior, Was born on Christmas Day,

To save us all from Satan's power When we were gone astray.

O tidings of comfort and joy, comfort and joy;

O tidings of comfort and joy!

## WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

### Prayer for Illumination

### The Word Read

In the beginning was the Word

*And the Word was with God, and the Word was God.*

*Luke 2:1-20*

**Pew Bible, NT, Page 58**

The Word of the Lord.

*Thanks be to God.*

### The Word Declared: "A Service of Carols"

# 9 "O Come, O Come Emmanuel" (Stanzas 1 & 3)

# 48 "Lo, How a Rose E're Blooming"

# 38 "It Came Upon the Midnight Clear" (Stanzas 1-3)

# 25 "Away in a Manger" (Stanzas 1 & 2)

# 53 "What Child Is This"

# 34 "In Bethlehem a Babe Was Born"

# 44 "O Little Town of Bethlehem" (Stanzas 1-3)

# 31 "Hark! the Herald Angels Sing"

# 37 "Infant Holy, Infant Lowly"

# 40 "Joy to the World" (Stanzas 1 & 4)

# 23 "Angels We Have Heard on High" (Stanzas 1 & 3)

# 41 "O Come, All Ye Faithful" (Stanzas 1 & 3)

### Ascription of Praise

## WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

**Affirmation of Faith** "The Apostles' Creed"

Page 14, Traditional

### Prayers of the People

### Presentation of Gifts, Tithes, and Offerings

### Offertory

### Response

*Lafferty*

Seek ye first the Kingdom of God, and His Righteousness,

And all these things will be added unto you.

Allelu, Alleluia!

### Prayer of Thanksgiving

\***Closing Hymn #57** "The Snow Lay on the Ground"

*Venite Adoremus*

## WE GO IN GOD'S NAME

### \*Charge and Benediction

### \*Response

*Go Tell It*

Go, tell it on the mountain over the hills and everywhere;

Go, tell it on the mountain that Jesus Christ is born!

### Postlude

*\* Please rise in body or spirit*

## INFORMATION AND PRAYER LISTS

**Adult Sunday School** meets at 9:30 a.m. each Sunday in the Parlor. This week we are continuing our study of "The Work of the People," a video based series featuring some of the great theologians and thinkers of our time!

**Worship Enrichment for children and youth is coming soon!** We encourage our young people to learn about God and our community through the act of worship. These enrichment experiences will allow the children to learn more about the different parts of worship and enable them to participate and understand more. **Please talk to our Pastor Karen if you wish to be involved!** We need worship buddies and mentors to learn alongside our young people!

### Do you want to know more about the new life happening at Faith?

**"Like" us on Facebook!** We post pictures, music, questions, pastor's blogs, and lots of other great stuff on this page!

**Sign up for our weekly email update!** Give us your email on the friendship pad, or contact [faithpresgsonc@gmail.com](mailto:faithpresgsonc@gmail.com) to get on the list. You can unsubscribe at any time.

**Check out our website [www.faithpresgso.org](http://www.faithpresgso.org)** – for more information about who we are and what we believe, as well as weekly updates of bulletins and monthly newsletters

**Grab a newsletter!** You can pick up a current copy of the newsletter on the table in the narthex and can see previous copies on our website.

**Join us for our monthly brunch!** Every month on the **4<sup>th</sup> Sunday**, we head down to the fellowship hall after worship for yummy food and good conversation.

### Calendar for December 28 – January 4

<b>Today:</b>	9:30 A.M.	Sunday School
	10:30 A.M.	Coffee and Conversation
	11:00 A.M.	Worship, Pennies for Hunger
<b>Tuesday:</b>	9:30 A.M.	Congregational Nurse
	10:00 A.M.	Chair Exercise
<b>Wednesday:</b>	6:00 P.M.	Choir Practice
<b>Thursday:</b>	8:00 P.M.	Narcotics Anonymous
<b>Friday:</b>	8:00 P.M.	Narcotics Anonymous
<b>Sunday:</b>	9:30 A.M.	Sunday School
	10:30 A.M.	Coffee and Conversation
	11:00 A.M.	Worship, Communion

### SALEM PRESBYTERY CHURCH PRAYER LIST

Sedgefield Church, Greensboro  
Grace Church, Winston-Salem

### FAITH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH PRAYER LIST:

Please be in touch with the office regarding any additions or corrections to the Prayer List. You may call (336.292.5150) or e-mail ([faithpresgsonc@gmail.com](mailto:faithpresgsonc@gmail.com)).

Lindsey Brown's Aunt	Bob Huffine's Family
Priscilla Christiansen	Marge Mack
Kevin Cook's Family	Pat Magnuson
Fran Cuthbertson	Andy Moye
Bonnie Evans	Larry Murren
'Cile Gorman	Garth Payne
Pat Greeson	Georgina Renfrow
Helen Hall	Beth Weikel (Daughter of
Harold Henderson	Jim and Betty Rissmiller)

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Theology on Tap** will NOT MEET Monday, December 29<sup>th</sup>. It will NEXT MEET on Monday, January 5<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 p.m. the home of Tim and Laura Maher (4208 Shoal Creek Dr). The reading is Maya Angelou's "I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings" chapters 30-32. Come even if you haven't read the book!
- **Theology on Tap** will begin a new text on Monday, February 2<sup>nd</sup>. The book is the New Revised Edition of Marjorie Thompson's "Soul Feast." You are encouraged to buy it now to ensure you have received it in time to participate.
- The **church office is closed on Thursday, January 1** in observation of New Year's Day. Happy 2015!



*The lovely poinsettias were donated by Peggy McGuire:  
In Honor of Garth and Inky Payne  
In Memory of Kevin Cook  
In Memory of Robert Huffine and I.E. Martin*



## *A SERVICE OF CAROLS*

**We embrace multigenerational worship and welcome the giggles, questions, tears, and even shouts that enliven our oh-so-orderly service.** We do have a **professionally staffed nursery** available for babies and toddlers, but we encourage our youngest members to learn with and from us throughout the worship service.

There is a **family worship space** available for children and adults at the front of the sanctuary. **Are you curious about all the fun the kids are having up front?** Feel free to join our young people in their interactive worship activities! These experiences are great for active learners of all ages, and our children and their parents appreciate your engagement and support.

We want to be a true family of faith and that means celebrating the gifts, questions, and talents of each of our members from young in age to young at heart!

### Pastoral Team

Rev. Karen Ware Jackson, Pastor  
Rev. Jim Rissmiller, Parish Associate  
Stephanie Lindley, Music Director  
Lois Bazhaw, RN, Congregational Nurse  
Beverly Lucas, Office Administrator

December 28<sup>th</sup>, 2014  
11:00 A.M.

Service for the Lord's Day  
1<sup>st</sup> Sunday After Christmas

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