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## Worship with Children's Pageant at 4:00 p.m.

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### Prelude

Noël . . . . . Jean-Jacques Beauvarlet-Charpentier

### Introit

"Infant Holy, Infant Lowly" . . . . . A. E. Rusbridge

### Processional

"On This Day Earth Shall Ring" . . . . . Gustav Holst

### Lighting of the Christ Candle

\*Carol 133 . . . . . "O Come, All Ye Faithful"

First Lesson: LUKE 1:26-33, 38 . . . . . New Testament, page 53

Mary's Song . . . . . "Magnificat" by C. Winfred Douglas

### Anthem

"Come, Come, Emmanuel" . . . . . Lynn Shaw Bailey and Becki Slagle Mayo

Second Lesson: LUKE 2:1-7 . . . . . New Testament, page 54

Carol 114 (*congregation remains seated*) . . . . . "Away in a Manger"  
(*Children in animal costumes are invited to come forward at the start of the hymn.*)

Third Lesson: LUKE 2:8 . . . . . New Testament, page 54

\*Carol 136 . . . . . "Go, Tell It on the Mountain"  
(*Children in angel and shepherd costumes are invited to come forward at the start of the hymn.*)

Fourth Lesson: LUKE 2:9-14 . . . . . New Testament, page 54

### Anthem

"Angels We Have Heard on High" . . . . . Edward S. Barnes

Fifth Lesson: LUKE 2:15-20 . . . . . New Testament, page 55

### Anthem

"What Child Is This?" . . . . . English ballad  
(*All children in costumes return to their parents.*)

Sixth Lesson: MATTHEW 2:1-2, 10-11 . . . . . New Testament, page 1

### Anthem

"We Three Kings" . . . . . John H. Hopkins Jr.

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\*Stand as you are able.

Presentation of the White Gifts

*(The congregation remains seated and sings the first four verses of "The First Nowell," Carol 147. During this hymn, any child who has a gift of white socks is welcome to come forward and place them by the manger.)*

Offertory Anthems

- "People, Look East" . . . . . Martin Shaw
- "Ding-Dong! Merrily on High!" . . . . . Rosephanye Powell

Prayer of Dedication

The Lord's Prayer *(unison)*

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed by 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;  
 and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
 For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

Homily

Spreading the Light *(congregation remains seated)*

Songs of Praise *(congregation remains seated)*

O little town of Bethlehem, how still we see thee lie!  
 Above thy deep and dreamless sleep the silent stars go by.  
 Yet in thy dark streets shineth the everlasting light;  
 the hopes and fears of all the years are met in thee tonight.

For Christ is born of Mary, and gathered all above,  
 while mortals sleep, the angels keep their watch of wondering love.  
 O morning stars, together proclaim the holy birth,  
 and praises sing to God the king, and peace to all the earth.

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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!"

Silence

\*Carol 134 . . . . . "Joy to the World"

\*Benediction

Postlude: Go, Tell It on the Mountain . . . . . John Behnke

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## Family Service at 6:00 p.m.

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### Prelude

Christmas Collage . . . . .	Valerie W. Stephenson
Noël . . . . .	Jean-Jacques Beauvarlet-Charpentier
Bring a Torch, Jeanette Isabella . . . . .	Kevin McChesney
He Is Born, the Divine Christ Child . . . . .	Douglas Wagner
A Yuletide Celebration . . . . .	K. McChesney

### Introit

“Infant Holy, Infant Lowly” . . . . . Polish carol, arr. David Willcocks

### Opening Responses and Lighting of the Christ Candle

Minister: *The Word was made flesh and dwelt among us.*

People: **Glory to God in the highest, and on earth, peace.**

Minister: *Born in humility, Christ came to rule over all.*

People: **Glory to God in the highest, and on earth, peace.**

Minister: *Helpless as an infant, he showed the power of God’s love.*

People: **Glory to God in the highest, and on earth, peace.**

Minister: *Poor in the things of the world,  
he brought the wealth of God’s grace.*

People: **Glory to God in the highest, and on earth, peace.**

Minister: *The Light of the world has come: Mighty God,  
Everlasting Lord, Wonderful Counselor, Prince of Peace.*

People: **Glory to God in the highest, and on earth, peace.**

\*Carol 123 . . . . . “It Came Upon the Midnight Clear”

### A Story for Christmas

\*Carol 113 . . . . . “Angels We Have Heard on High”

The Story of Jesus’ Birth: LUKE 2:1–20 . . . . . New Testament, page 54

\*Carol 145 . . . . . “What Child Is This”

Meditation: “God Is with Us” . . . . . John W. Vest

\*Carol 121 . . . . . “O Little Town of Bethlehem”

### Prayer

### Offering

### Offertory Anthems:

“To Us Is Born Emmanuel” . . . . . Michael Praetorius

“Christmas Hymn” . . . . . Hugo Jüngst

Spreading the Light: “Silent Night” (*see the back of the bulletin for words*)

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\*Stand as you are able.

## Unison Prayer

This night, O God, the soles of your feet have touched the earth.  
This night, O God, the back street and the forgotten place have been lit up with significance. This night, O God, the households of earth welcome the King of Heaven. For you have crept in beside us; you have come among us; you are one of us. So may our songs rise to your throne as our knees bend at your cradle. Amen.

\*Carol 133 . . . . . “O Come, All Ye Faithful”

\*Benediction

Postlude: Go, Tell It on the Mountain . . . . . John Behnke

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### 4:00 Children’s Pageant

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Matt Helms <i>Minister for Children and Families</i>	Alex Moncrieff Jacob Cunningham The Cherub and the Children’s Choirs Katy Sinclair <i>Associate Director of Music for Children and Youth</i>
Liz Nickerson <i>Interim Director of Worship</i>	Hsing-Huei Huang <i>Pianist</i>
Charlotte Ericson	John W. W. Sherer <i>Organist and Director of Music</i>
Gavin Daniels	
Jackson Bossert	
Frances-Morgan Lewis	

### 6:00 Family Service

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John W. Vest <i>Associate Pastor</i>	The Handbell Choir and the Chancel Choir
Layton Williams <i>Pastoral Resident</i>	John W. W. Sherer <i>Organist and Director of Music</i>
Victoria G. Curtiss <i>Associate Pastor</i>	Thomas E. Gouwens <i>Associate Organist</i> Briana Belding-Peck <i>Director of the Handbell Choir</i>

### 8:30 Service of Lessons and Carols

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Shannon J. Kershner <i>Pastor</i>	Matt Helms <i>Minister for Children and Families</i>
Jennifer Ebbe <i>Member</i>	Judith L. Watt <i>Associate Pastor</i>
Joyce Shin <i>Associate Pastor</i>	John W. Vest <i>Associate Pastor</i>
Beth Truett <i>Member</i>	Tower Brass and the Morning Choir
Victoria G. Curtiss <i>Associate Pastor</i>	Anneliese Garner and Cole Seaton <i>Soloists</i>
Hardy H. Kim <i>Associate Pastor</i>	John W. W. Sherer <i>Organist and Director of Music</i>
Layton Williams <i>Pastoral Resident</i>	Thomas E. Gouwens <i>Associate Organist</i> Matthew Comerford <i>Artistic Director of Tower Brass</i>

### 11:00 Service of Lessons and Carols

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Shannon J. Kershner <i>Pastor</i>	Layton Williams <i>Pastoral Resident</i>
Hope Daniels <i>Member</i>	Victoria G. Curtiss <i>Associate Pastor</i>
Joyce Shin <i>Associate Pastor</i>	John W. Vest <i>Associate Pastor</i>
David Miller <i>Member</i>	Tower Brass and the Morning Choir
Judith L. Watt <i>Associate Pastor</i>	Anneliese Garner and Cole Seaton <i>Soloists</i>
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## Service of Lessons and Carols at 8:30 and 11:00 p.m.

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### Prelude

Joseph Dearest, Joseph Mine . . . . .	Hieronymus Praetorius
Noël . . . . .	Jean-Jacques Beauvarlet-Charpentier
What Child Is This . . . . .	John Stainer
He Is Born, the Divine Christ Child . . . . .	Douglas Wagner
Good Christian Friends, Rejoice . . . . .	Michael Praetorius
The Nativity . . . . .	Jean Langlais
Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming . . . . .	M. Praetorius and Johannes Brahms
Carol . . . . .	Gerald Finzi
O Holy Night . . . . .	Adolphe Adam

Introit: "Infant Holy, Infant Lowly" . . . . . Polish carol, arr. David Willcocks

\*Call to Worship . . . . . from Isaiah 9:2 and John 1:5

Minister: *The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light.*

People: **Those who lived in a land of deep darkness—  
on them light has shined.**

Minister: *The light shines in the darkness.*

People: **And the darkness did not overcome it.**

Minister: *Christ is born in Bethlehem.*

People: **Come, let us adore him!**

\*Invocation

\*Carol 140 . . . . . "Once in Royal David's City" (*stanza 1 sung by soloist*)

\*Prayer for Christmas Eve

Leader: *The Word became flesh and dwelt among us,  
full of grace and truth.*

People: **Glory to God in the highest,  
and peace to all people on earth. Alleluia!**

All: **Living God, on this holy night we gather—  
to stand with shepherds, amazed at your glory;  
to sing with angels, rejoicing in your work;  
to wait with Joseph, trusting in your promise;  
to sit with Mary, cradling your love.**

**May the good news of this night inspire us  
to tell the world of our great joy:  
for to us is born a Savior, the Messiah, the Lord.  
Glory and praise to you forever! Amen.**

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*\*Stand as you are able.*

- Lesson: ISAIAH 9:2-7 . . . . . Old Testament, page 600
- Anthem: “Ríu, Ríu, Chíu” . . . . . Spanish carol, arr. Noah Greenberg
- Lesson: PSALM 98 . . . . . Old Testament, page 521
- \*Carol 133 . . . . . “O Come, All Ye Faithful”
- Lesson: LUKE 1:26-35, 38 . . . . . New Testament, page 53
- Anthem: “There Is No Rose of Such Virtue” . . . . . Stephen Caracciolo
- Lesson: LUKE 2:13-20 . . . . . New Testament, page 55
- Christmas Homily . . . . . Shannon J. Kershner
- \*Carol 113 . . . . . “Angels We Have Heard on High”
- Lesson: 1 JOHN 4:7-9, 16B . . . . . New Testament, page 226
- Prayer
- Offering
- Offertory Anthem: “Lux Aurumque” . . . . . Eric Whitacre
- Lesson: JOHN 1:1-5 . . . . . New Testament, page 86
- Spreading the Light: “Silent Night” (*see the back of the bulletin for words*)
- \*Unison Prayer
- Christ among us, Light of the World,  
 heal our brokenness and bring us to wholeness;  
 ease our pain and bring us hope, strength, and life.  
 Give us new heart, new hope, and a new song,  
 that our prayers and deeds may be one.  
 We ask it in the name of our baby King, your Love-Made-Flesh,  
 Jesus our Christ, who lives and reigns with you  
 in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.
- \*Carol 119 . . . . . “Hark! The Herald Angels Sing”
- \*Benediction
- Postlude: Go, Tell It on the Mountain . . . . . Aaron David Miller

**Gifts of socks**, known as “White Gifts” from the tradition of wrapping them in plain white paper, are being collected in baskets in the Narthex, at the back of the Sanctuary, at the 6:00, 8:30, and 11:00 services. At 4:00, they are presented as part of the service.

The “**Light Up a Life**” offering supports mission and community outreach, including Chicago Lights programs; congregational programs; and denominational programs. Gifts can be made using the offering envelopes in the pew racks or by writing “Light Up a Life” on the memo line of a check made payable to Fourth Presbyterian Church.

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, heav'nly hosts sing "Alleluia:  
Christ the Savior is born; Christ the Savior is born!"

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.

Silent night, holy night! Wondrous star, lend thy light;  
with the angels let us sing Alleluia to our King:  
Christ the Savior is born; Christ the Savior is born.

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*Gifts supporting Christmastime Sanctuary adornments have been made in memory and in honor of family, friends, and loved ones.*

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