

Liturgists *Kaylee Holland, Emma Nolen, Georgia Hickman, Laurel Mosley*
Music *Bob Eubanks, Nancy Wells, Charlotte Hickman*
Minister *Rev. Dr. Carl Grosse*

Announcements

Christmas Joy Offering

All of the offering taken this evening will go to Christmas Joy Offering. The Christmas Joy Offering has been a cherished Presbyterian tradition since the 1930s. The Offering distributes gifts equally to the Assistance Program of the Board of Pensions and to Presbyterian-related schools and colleges equipping communities of color. The Assistance Program provides critical financial support to church workers and their families. Presbyterian-related schools and colleges provide education and leadership development while nurturing racial and ethnic heritage. This has been a Presbyterian commitment for nearly 140 years.

The Church Office will be closed through January 1st, reopening on Tuesday, January 2nd.



Fountain City Presbyterian Church

***December 24, 2023
Christmas Eve Service
5:30 P.M.***



FOUNTAIN CITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

*Family Christmas Eve Service
2023*

Prelude

Nancy Wells

Welcome

Rev. Dr. Carl Grosse

Lighting of the Christ Candle

Leader: We've been waiting for this,

All: And now it finally happened!

Leader: God has kept His promise,

All: Our Savior is born!

Kaylee Holland and Emma Nolen

Call to Worship

Georgia Hickman

Leader: The angels celebrated the news -

All: Glory to God in the highest, and peace on earth, good will toward all!

Leader: The shepherds came to see and worship,

All: And found the Baby wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger.

**Hymn #262 Away In A Manger*

Away in a manger, no crib for a bed, the little Lord Jesus laid down His sweet head;
the stars in the heavens looked down where He lay, the little Lord Jesus asleep on the hay.

The cattle are lowing, the Baby awakes, but little Lord Jesus, no crying He makes.
I love Thee, Lord Jesus, look down from the sky and stay by my side until morning is nigh.

Call for Offering

Rev. Dr. Carl Grosse

Offertory

Violin Solo, Charlotte Hickman

**Doxology*

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow
Praise Him all creatures here below
Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts
Praise Father Son and Holy Ghost**

Prayers of the People & The Lord's Prayer

Rev. Dr. Carl Grosse

All: Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be 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

Introduction

Laurel Mosley

The Christmas Story

Pastor Carl and FCPC Children

Prayer

Rev. Dr. Carl Grosse

**Hymn #253 Silent Night! Holy Night!*

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!

Benediction

Rev. Dr. Carl Grosse

Postlude

Nancy Wells