

Ushers **FCPC Youth**
Music **Bob Eubanks, Charlotte Hickman, Krista Heilmeier, George Hill**
Minister **Dr. Andy Morgan**

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.

Christmas Day Service - Please join us for a short service on Christmas Day called "Symbols of Christmas" that will focus on important reminders of God's love for us in and through Jesus Christ that we see on our beautiful Christmas tree. This will be a shorter, family friendly service and child care will not be available. This service will also not be streamed.

New Year's Day - January 1 begins our Centennial Year at FCPC. In honor of this important time in our church's life, we will be holding our first service of the year in the space our church began, McCorkle Chapel (the chapel to the left of our sanctuary). Please join us for this special service to kick off the new year.

Save the date! FCPC Centennial Kickoff

Sunday, January 8, 2023 at 10:30am. After Worship Join us for lunch and a special presentation.

Have you checked out our new website?

FCPC recently launched a new website where we can all find updated and helpful information, RSVP information, calendar of events, scheduler to meet with the pastor, worship live-streaming and archive, as well as information for members like forms and directory information. We hope that you will take a moment and check out the website and that you find it to be helpful as we continue to grow together as a body of Christ. Our website is www.fountaincitypres.org

Are you subscribed to our newsletter, the Weekly Word? If not, go over to the website and click the "Newsletter" button and provide your best email address. The Weekly Word is released every Friday morning and contains important information about the life of our congregation.

Dear Church Family,

Merry Christmas to you and your loved ones! I want to thank you, so very much, for the ways that each of you shine the light of Christ here at FCPC and beyond. I am continually inspired by the incredible discipleship journeys that I have the opportunity to see. From members deciding to become police chaplains, mission workers, teaching classes, volunteering their time in our community, and praying for and with one another, I am amazed by the way Christ's work is so evident here. I am grateful for this community and wish each of you a very special and hopeful Christmas as we hear and have the opportunity to tell the good news of God's hope, peace, joy, and love that we know in and through Jesus Christ. May your life be filled with the good news of Christ and may you continue to tell the good news through word and deed. Blessings to you.

*Sincerely,
Pastor Andy*



Fountain City Presbyterian Church

December 24, 2022
Christmas Eve Service
5:30 P.M.



***Christmas Eve Service
2022***

Prelude

Welcome

Lighting of the Christ Candle

Reader A: We light the Christ candle to symbolize God's promise fulfilled.

Reader B: For a child has been born for us, a son given to us; authority rests upon his shoulders; and he is named Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. Glory to God in the highest heaven, and peace to all on whom his favor rests.

All: Blessed be the name of the Lord.

Casey, Charlie and Brock

Call to Worship

Emma Nolan, Kaylee Holland, Tyson Babelay

Leader: Welcome to the house of God. This is a night before Jesus was born.

All: We have come to see Jesus Christ

Leader: You will find him in a manger wrapped in swaddling clothes

All: We have come to see Jesus Christ

Leader: You will find him with those who are hurting and sad

All: We have come to see Jesus Christ

Leader: You will find him in the joy get from serving God and obeying his commandment

All: We have come to see Jesus Christ

Leader: Open our eyes so that we may see Jesus! Let us worship God!

****Hymn #258 Go, Tell It on the Mountain (v. 1 & 3)***

While shepherds kept their watching, O'er silent flocks by night, Behold!
Thro'-out the heavens There shone a holy light.

Refrain – Go, tell it on the mountain, Over the hills and everywhere;
Go, tell it on the mountain that Jesus Christ is born!

Down in the lowly manger The humble Christ was born,
and brought us God's salvation that blessed Christmas morn. *Refrain*

Offertory - Violin Solo

Charlotte Hickman

Offertory Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Robert, James & Andy Morgan

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

The Christmas Story

Georgia Hickman

Closing Prayer

Andy Morgan

Hymn

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.

Postlude