



# VERNAL

## PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

A Congregation of the *Evangelical Presbyterian Church*

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**LORD'S DAY SERVICE**  
**DECEMBER 28, 2025**

### Welcome & Announcements

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*God Calls Us*

#### **\*Call to Worship**

*Micah 5:2-5a*

<sup>2</sup>But you, O Bethlehem Ephrathah, who are too little to be among the clans of Judah,

from you shall come forth for me one who is to be ruler in Israel, whose coming forth is from of old, from ancient days.

<sup>3</sup>Therefore he shall give them up until the time when she who is in labor has given birth;

then the rest of his brothers shall return to the people of Israel.

<sup>4</sup>And he shall stand and shepherd his flock in the strength of the LORD, in the majesty of the name of the LORD his God.

And they shall dwell secure, for now he shall be great to the ends of the earth,

<sup>5</sup>And he shall be their peace.

#### **\*Invocation**

##### **The Lord's Prayer**

*Matthew 6:9-13*

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.

#### **\*Hymn #372**

*Joy to the World!*

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## Reading of the Law

Matthew 22:37-40

## Prayer of Confession & Supplication

Almighty, everlasting God and Father, we confess and acknowledge to You that we were conceived in unrighteousness, and are full of sin and transgression in all our life, as those who do not perfectly believe Your Word nor follow Your holy commandments. We implore You, remember Your goodness and for Your name's sake be gracious to us and forgive us our wrongdoing, which indeed is great. Amen.

## Assurance of Pardon

John 3:16

## \*Hymn

What Child is This?

GREENSLEEVES



1. What child is this who, laid to rest, on Ma-ry's lap is  
2. Why lies he in such mean es - tate, where ox and ass are  
3. So bring him in - cense, gold, and myrrh; come, pea-sant, king, to  
sleep - ing? Whom an - gels greet with an - thems sweet, while  
feed - ing? Good Christ - ians, fear; for sin - ners here the  
own him; the King of kings sal - va - tion brings, let  
shep - herds watch are keep - ing? This, this is  
si - lent Word is plead - ing. Nails, spear, shall  
lov - ing hearts en - throne him. Raise, raise the  
Christ the King, whom shep - herds guard and an - gels sing:  
pierce him through; the cross be borne for me, for you:  
song on high, the vir - gin sings her lul - la - by:  
haste, haste to bring him laud, the babe, the son of Mar - y.  
hail, hail the Word made flesh, the babe, the son of Mar - y.  
joy, joy for Christ is born, the babe, the son of Mar - y.

**Scripture Reading**

*Isaiah 52:13-54:10*

**Children's Word**

**\*Hymn #4** (vv. 1 & 4)

*My Savior's Love*

MY SAVIOR'S LOVE

**Sermon Scripture**

*Lam 3:19-24 & Ps 36:1-10*

**Sermon**

*Sometimes All We Need is a New Beginning*

Rev. Ron Pierce

**Prayer of Intercession**

**\*Confession of Faith**

*The Apostles' Creed*

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth:

And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried: He descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

**\*Gloria Patri #436**

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**Offertory**

**\*Doxology #434**

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**\*Offertory Prayer**

**\*Hymn #10**

*Great Is Thy Faithfulness*

FAITHFULNESS

**\*Benediction**

*Numbers 6:24-26*

**\*Departure Hymn**

*Shalom to You*

SOMOS DEL SENOR

*Shalom to you now, shalom, my friends.  
May God's full mercies bless you, my friends.  
In all your living and through your loving,  
Christ be your shalom; Christ be your shalom.*



*\*The congregation is invited to stand.*

## **Announcements**

**Choir & Bible Study** will **not** meet this week. We will resume the week of January 4th.

**Local missions opportunities** are available!

- Antioch's Food Pantry
- PROMISS Pregnancy Care
- Backpack Buddies

## **Prayer List**

Jeff Allen, Sandy James, Nancy Brown, Mamie Raines, Karen Allen,  
Logan Brewer, Larry Owens, Julianne Allgood, Annie Ruth Thigpen,  
Elaine Gabel, Donna Pederson, Leighton Wilson,  
Donna McIntosh, Gail Stuck

## **Upcoming Birthdays**

Doug Miller (Dec. 31),  
Madeleine Roberson (Jan. 19), Rilla Roberson (Jan. 25)

## **Session of Elders**

Jeff Allen            Jennifer Fortenberry  
Janet James, clerk    Mitch Newman

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