

IN OUR PRAYERS

Ed Bugby, Bob Beck, Sandra Peterson, Lonnie Bobo, Della and Fred Ryder (Cousin of Pat Flaga), Zelma (Darlene Key), Mark Hall, Nancy Gaylor, Jane Mitchell, Lynette Hayes (Bugby), Flora and Lisa (Nancy Gaylor), Zayne Carrington (Dennis Laughlin), Mary Kay Foster (Donna Parker's Mom), Nico (Harris), Angela Hatcher (Bird/Walkingstick), Tami Ross (Bennetts), Ken Jones (Esther Houser), Bill Lockman (Bob Beck), and Marie and Dennis Lynch (Robin Ross)

OPPORTUNITIES FOR FELLOWSHIP, PRAYER, SERVICE & WORSHIP

Recurring Events		Special Events	
Mondays		Wednesday, December 24, Christmas Eve	
1:00-4:00 p.m.	Strings of Distinction (SR)	6:00 p.m. Christmas Eve evening service (S)	
Tuesdays		Thursday, December 25 - Monday, December 29	
1:00-6:00 p.m.	Lisa's Music Studio (S) Strings of Distinction (SR)	Office Closed for Christmas Weekend	
Wednesdays		Thursday, January 1, New Years' Day	
10:15 a.m.	Holy Grounds (P)	Office Closed	
11:30 a.m.	PW Wednesdays (D/FH/P)		
1:00-5:00 p.m.	Strings of Distinction (SR)	Sunday, January 4, Epiphany	
5:32 p.m.	'Changed' Youth Group (FH)		
Thursdays		Tuesday, January 6	
11:00-5:00 p.m.	Lisa's Music Studio (S)	PEO Meeting (FH)	
1:00 p.m.	Strings of Distinction (SR)	Sunday, January 11, Baptism of the Lord	
Fridays	Lisa's Music Studio (S)	New Member Class	
1:30 P.M.	Choir Rehearsal (MR)	Tuesday, January 13	
Saturdays		4-9 p.m. Master Gardener, Logan County Ext. (FH)	
10:00 a.m.	Brunch on Noble (FH) Lisa's Music Studio (S)	6:00 p.m. Session Meeting (D)	
Sundays		Church Office Hours: 8:30-4:30 Monday - Thursday	
9:30 a.m.	Handbells (D)	D = Downstairs	FH = Fellowship Hall
9:45 a.m.	Sunday School (D)	L = Library	MR = Music Room
10:45 a.m.	Worship Service & Communion on 1st Sunday	P = Parlor	S = Sanctuary
		SR = Sunshine Room	U = Upstairs
Leading in Worship Today			
Jan Bugby, Liturgist Ed Bugby/ Mike Morris, Sound/Video Billy Richardson and Leslie Nichols, Ushers		Lisa Hoel, Music Minister Rev. Katrina Richardson, Minister	

Mission Statement

Setting a Welcome Table Since 1889

First United Presbyterian Church of Guthrie is a caring family of Christians striving to bring individuals closer to God through worship, education, fellowship, and service.

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**FIRST UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
CHRISTMAS EVE
DECEMBER 24, 2025, 6:00 P.M.**



Presbyterian Church

Welcome! Children of all ages are always welcome in worship—activity bags are available in the narthex. Please silence all electronic devices. Personal hearing assistance devices are available; please ask your ushers for assistance. Restrooms are located in the narthex.

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Leading in Worship

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For the carols during the pageant, we will remain seated and sing the verses printed in the bulletins.

— THE GATHERING —

PRELUDE AND LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES
“O Holy Night”

Lisa Hoel

WELCOME

Rev. Katrina Richardson

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE

CHRISTMAS PRAYER

HANDBELL ANTHEM

(FUPC Handbell Choir)

—THE WORD—

INTRODUCTION TO LESSONS AND CAROLS

Rev. Katrina Richardson

Genesis 3:8-15, 17-19: Adam and Eve Disobey God

Esther Houser

“O Little Town of Bethlehem”

Oh, 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.

Genesis 22:15-18: God's Promise to Abraham

Neil Turner

“O Come, O Come Emmanuel”

O come, O come, Emmanuel, and ransom captive Israel
that mourns in lonely exile here until the Son of God appear
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.

Isaiah 9:2, 6: A Great Light In the Darkness

Eric McPeek

“It Came Upon the Midnight Clear”

It came upon the midnight clear, that glorious song of old,
from angels bending near the earth, to touch their harps of gold:
“Peace on earth, good will to all, from heaven's all-gracious King”:
the world in solemn stillness lay, to hear the angels sing.

The Poinsettias are Given to the Glory of God
in Thanksgiving for the Gift of Jesus Christ,
and in Loving Memory and Celebration of our Loved Ones

IN MEMORY OF

Tommy Barton
Jan and Ed Bugby

Brady Benson
Penny Gooch

Gene and Ann Benson
Penny Gooch

Mark Dressendorfer
Donna Turman

Bob and Tresa Osborn
Penny Gooch

Kelli Roberts
The Richardson Family

Oris and Judy Taylor
Jan and Ed Bugby

Don Turman
Donna Turman

Russell and Mary Grace Westbrook
Jan and Ed Bugby

Grandmothers
Donna Turman

IN HONOR OF

Our Parents
Leslie and Mike Morris

IN CELEBRATION OF

Family
Lonnie and Terry Bobo

If you or your family purchased a Christmas Poinsettia, please remember to take your Poinsettia home following this evening's Worship Service!

LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES

“SILENT 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;
Heavenly hosts sing alleluia.
Christ the Savior is born! Christ the Savior is born!

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!

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.

Please deposit your extinguished candles in the box as you exit the foyer.

MERRY CHRISTMAS!



Isaiah 11:1-4a, 6-9: A Little Child Will Lead Them

“What Child Is This”

What Child is this, who, laid to rest, on Mary's lap is sleeping?
Whom angels greet with anthems sweet, while shepherds watch are keeping?
This, this is Christ the King, whom shepherds guard and angels sing;
Haste, haste to bring him laud, the babe, the son of Mary!

Luke 1:26-35, 38: An Angel Appears to Mary

Coy McPeek

“Hark! The Herald Angels Sing”

Hark! The herald angels sing, “Glory to the newborn king,
Peace on earth and mercy mild, God and sinners reconciled!”
Joyful, all ye nations, rise; join the triumph of the skies;
with the angelic host proclaim, “Christ is born in Bethlehem!”
Hark! The herald angels sing, “Glory to the newborn king!”

Luke 2:1-7: Mary Gives Birth In Bethlehem

Frank Flaga

“Away in a Manger”

Away in a manger; no crib for his bed,
The little Lord Jesus laid down his sweet head.
The stars in the bright sky looked down where he lay,
The little Lord Jesus asleep on the hay.

The cattle are lowing; the poor baby wakes,
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.

Luke 2:8-16: Angels Announce the Messiah

Holland Anderson

“Angels We Have Heard on High”

Angels we have heard on high,
sweetly singing o'er the plains,
and the mountains in reply echoing their joyous strains.
Glo-ri-a in excelsis De-o! Glo-ri-a in excelsis De-o!

Malice Evans

Matthew 2:1-11: Magi Come from the East

"We Three Kings of Orient Are"

We three kings of Orient are;
bearing gifts we traverse afar,
Field and fountain, moor and mountain,
following yonder star.

John 1:1-14: And the Word Became Flesh

"Joy to the World"

Joy to the world!
The Lord is come.
Let earth receive her King;
Let every heart prepare him room,
And heaven and nature sing,
And heaven and nature sing,
And heaven,
and heaven and nature sing.

Joy to the earth!
The Savior reigns:
Let men their songs employ;
While fields and floods,
Rocks, hills, and plains
Repeat the sounding joy,
Repeat the sounding joy,
Repeat, repeat the sounding joy.

CHRISTMAS MEDITATION

-EUCARIST-

All present are welcome to receive communion. Please come to the front of the sanctuary to receive the bread and cup. Take the cup and eat the bread. If preferred, you may be served in the pew where you are seated. *Communion Bread is Gluten Free*

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

Dennis Laughlin

Refrain: O star of wonder, star of night,
Star with royal beauty bright,
Westward leading, still proceeding,
Guide us to thy perfect light!

Rev. Katrina Richardson

He rules the world
With truth and grace,
And makes the nations prove
The glories of his righteousness,
And wonders of his love,
And wonders of his love,
And wonders of his love,
And wonders, wonders of his love.

Rev. Katrina Richardson

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. And also with you.
Lift up your hearts. We lift them up to the Lord.
Let us give thanks to the Lord. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

How can we thank you, O God?... With saints, with angels, and with the whole creation,
we join the ancient and eternal hymn:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

We give you thanks, Holy God, for Jesus, who came to be your living Word...
Great is thy mystery of faith:

Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH/THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

COMMUNION MUSIC: "And the Stars Sang" - Joseph Martin
(Zoe Anderson, Patty Armer, Jan Harris, Lisa Hoel, Laina Richardson, Ruby Richardson)

FUPC Singers:

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

We give thanks, almighty God,
That you have refreshed us at your table
By granting us the presence of Jesus Christ.
Strengthen our faith,
Increase our love for one another
And send us into the world in courage and peace,
Rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit;
Through Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.

-THE CANDLE LIGHTING-