

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

11:00 AM

January 3, 2010

**GATHERING BEFORE GOD**

PRELUDE

“What Is This Lovely Fragrance” arr. Rick Parks  
“O Come, All Ye Faithful” Wade, arr. Goldston  
Clark McQuiston, piano  
“Little White Church” Martha Mier  
Carey Shaffer, piano

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS IN THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH  
*(Please sign the Welcome Pads at the end of each pew)*

CONGREGATIONAL INTROIT

#41 v.1 “O Come All Ye Faithful” *Adeste Fideles*

**O come, all ye faithful, Joyful and triumphant, O come ye, o come ye to Bethlehem!  
Come, and behold Him, Born the king of angels! O come let us adore Him, O come,  
let us adore Him, O come let us adore Him, Christ the Lord!**

CALL TO WORSHIP

LEADER: On this second Sunday of we again light Advent Candles.

PEOPLE: **We light the Candle of Hope, which reminds us that all the promises of God are fulfilled in the coming of Jesus Christ.** (Pause while candle is lit.)

**We light the Candle of Love, which proclaims that God's love is revealed in Jesus Christ.** (Pause while candle is lit.)

**We light the Candle of Joy, which reminds us of the joy in heaven and earth at the birth of Jesus Christ.** (Pause while candle is lit.)

**We light the Candle of Peace, which proclaims the coming peace of God for the whole world in Jesus Christ.** (Pause while candle is lit.)

**And we light the Christ Child Candle, the light that shines in the darkness, as the Christ who came continues to come into our world and our lives.** (Light the candle.)

\*HYMN #62 “Bring We the Frankincense of Our Love” *Epiphany Song*

\*CONFESSION OF SIN (unison)

**Eternal God, in the light of your holiness and love we clearly see our sin. We confess we become overwhelmed with the troubles of today, and so lose hope. We confess that our love often gets twisted back in on ourselves. We confess that joy is often elusive and fleeting. We confess we do not seek the ways of peace.** (Silent confession)

**Merciful God forgive us, and help us to forgive each other, and ourselves. And may we learn and live new ways in a world that does not know you, or the way of Jesus Christ. In the name of our Lord and Savior we pray. Amen.**

#\*CONFESSION RESPONSE

#44 v.4 “O Little Town of Bethlehem” *St. Louis*

\*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

\*ASSURANCE RESPONSE

#40 v. 3 “Joy to the World!” *Antioch*

**No more let sins and sorrows grow, Nor thorns infest the ground; He comes to make His blessings flow Far as the curse is found.**

**HEARING GOD'S WORD**

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

THE FIRST SCRIPTURE READING I Samuel 1:21-28; 2:11, 18-21 (p. 240)

Anthem 8:30 Carol Scholl, soloist  
11:00 “We Are the Reason” David Meece  
Josephine & Michael Compeau

#THE GOOD NEWS FOR THE YOUNGER DISCIPLES

*(Children 0-4 years return to the nursery, and children grades K-5 are dismissed to “Children in Worship.”)*

THE SECOND SCRIPTURE READING Luke 2:41-51 (p. 54)

THE GOOD NEWS FOR THE OLDER DISCIPLES Dr. Hink  
“At Home in the Temple with God”

\*HYMN #514

“Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ”

*Linstead*

CELEBRATION OF COMMUNION

Invitation and Instructions  
Prayer and **The Lord’s Prayer**  
Words of Institution  
Sharing Communion  
#Anthem

“I Wonder As I Wander”

John Rutter

Sanctuary Choir; Susan Woge, soloist

I wonder as I wander out under the sky, How Jesus, the Savior, did come for to die. For poor ord’ nery people like you and like I: I wander as I wander, Out under the sky. When Mary birthed Jesus, ‘twas in a cows’ stall, With wise men and farmers and shepherds and all. But high from God’s heaven a star’s light did fall, And the promise of ages it then did recall. If Jesus had wanted for any wee things: A star in the sky, or a bird on the wing; Or all of God’s angels in heav’n to sing, He surely could have had it, ‘Cause he was the King.

**RESPONDING TO GOD’S WORD**

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

*Pastoral Prayer/Silent Prayer/Congregational Prayer*

#38 v. 3

“It Came Upon the Midnight Clear”

*Carol*

OFFERING

Offertory 8:30  
11:00

“I Wonder As I Wander”  
“Oh Holy Night”  
Susan Woge, soloist

Spiritual  
Adolphe Adam

\*Response #41 v. 2

“O Come All Ye Faithful”

*Adeste Fideles*

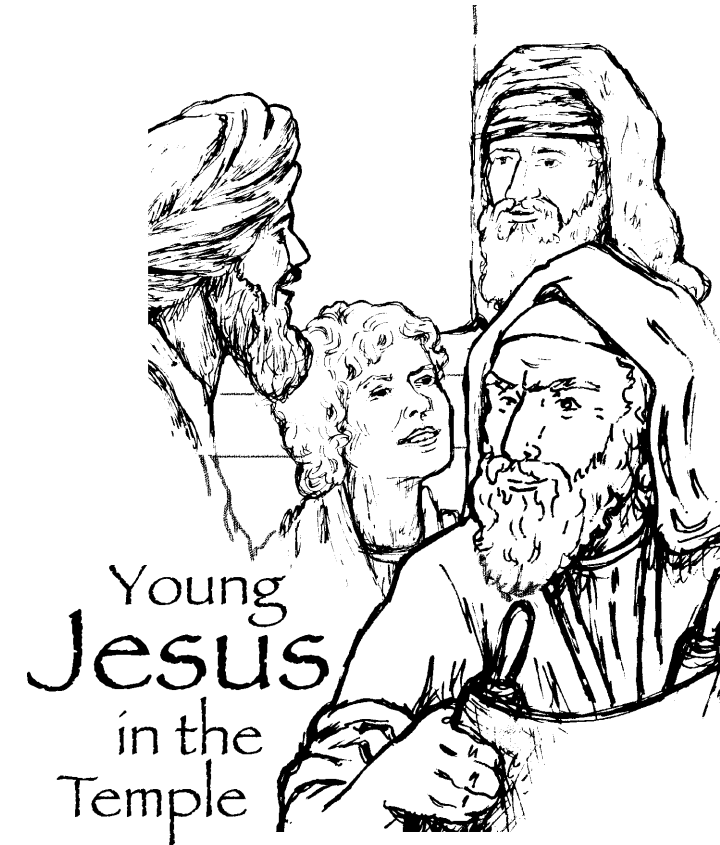
**Yea, Lord, we greet Thee, Born this happy morning, Jesus, to Thee be all glory given; Word of the Father, Now in flesh appearing! O come let us adore Him, O come, let us adore Him, O come let us adore Him, Christ the Lord!**

\*Prayer of Dedication

\*HYMN (insert)

“Thou Didst Leave Thy Throne”

*Margaret*



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**“Real people, committed to Christ, living the Great Commandment”**

**January 3<sup>rd</sup>**

8:30 & 11:00 AM Services  
Congregational Meeting

9:15 & 10:30 AM	Coffee Fellowship	Fellowship Hall
9:30 AM	Sunday School K-Adult	
10:00 AM	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal	Room #303
11:00 AM	Worship	Sanctuary
12:00 Noon	Congregational Meeting	Sanctuary

**Monday, January 4**

7:00 PM	Boy Scout Troop #3	Scout Room
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**Wednesday, January 6**

7:00 AM	Men's Fellowship Breakfast	Panera's
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**Thursday, January 7**

10:30 AM	Staff Meeting	Conference Room
6:00 PM	Boar's Head Committee	Library
7:30 PM	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal	Room #303

**Saturday, January 9**

8:30 AM	Property Committee	Room #206
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**January 10<sup>th</sup>**

8:30 & 11:00 AM Services

9:15 & 10:30 AM	Coffee Fellowship	Fellowship Hall
9:30 AM	Sunday School K-Adult	
10:30 AM	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal	Room #303
11:00 AM	Worship	Sanctuary
12:10 PM	Boar's Head Rehearsal	Fellowship Hall
12:10 PM	Deacons Meeting	Room #206
5:30 PM	Jr Hi & Sr Hi Groups	

\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

#41 v. 3

“O Come All Ye Faithful”

*Adeste Fideles*

**Sing, choirs of angels, Sing in exultation! Sing, all ye citizens of heaven above! Glory to God, all Glory in the highest! O come let us adore Him, O come, let us adore Him, O come let us adore Him, Christ the Lord!**

\*CHARGE & BENEDICTION

\*POSTLUDE

“Thou Didst Leave Thy Throne”

Robert Graham

*The conclusion of worship, and the beginning of service.*

\*Please stand if you are able. #11:00 AM service only.

The flowers are in memory of

**Mr. & Mrs. Henry D. “Hank” (Isabel Loch) Johns**

WELCOME! What a joy it is to start this new year with all of you. May we rededicate our lives for service to God.

THE ROSEBUD ON THE COMMUNION TABLE is in honor of Decker Westin Cilas, born December 27, 2009 to Stacy & Josh Cilas. Big brother and sister are Brandon and Evelyn. Grandparents from the congregation are Gordon & Stephanie Longstreet.

IN THE NURSERY this morning our caregivers, Brenda Hall and Kelly McQuiston, will care for our youngest believers.

CHILDREN IN GRADES K-5<sup>th</sup>, under the direction of Debbie Derrenbacher, Stephanie Longstreet and Cassie Nespor be dismissed to the “Children in Worship” program following the “Good News for Children.” Children can be picked up in Room #315 following worship. Children 0-4 years old are invited to participate in the nursery program.

THERE WILL BE A CONGREGATIONAL MEETING today immediately following the 11 AM service to approve the Terms of the Pastor's Calls.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS: Boar's Head and Yule Log Festival, January 16<sup>th</sup>, 3:30 PM.

2010 OFFERING ENVELOPES are available today in the Fellowship Hall.

THE YEAR OF THE BIBLE began on January 1, 2010. It's not too late to be part of this wonderful experience. So many folks from around the country have ordered the Participant's book that Presbyterian Distribution Service has run out of enough copies for everyone! We have written permission from the author, Dr. Jim Davison, to copy the material for January so everyone can get started. You may pick up a copy of the readings **TODAY** from Rev. Maloney at the organ after worship.

SPECIAL THANKS to the Christian Associates and members of FPC who helped with the New Year Day's dinner. This is a wonderful annual event that addresses the needs of many in our community.

OLDER ADULTS are invited to travel to Muscarella's for dinner immediately following the Boar's Head Festival on Saturday, January 16<sup>th</sup>. Deadline for signing up is Monday, January 11<sup>th</sup>. Please call the church office to make your reservation.

ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS EVE THANKS – It has been a wonderful Advent and Christmas season at FPC. Special thanks to Rev. Malone, our choirs, soloists and musicians, sound techs and ushers, the Worship Team, the Arts Teams, Advent Candle lighters, and many more.  
- Dr. Hink

BOAR'S HEAD REMINDERS:

Boar's Head Committee will meet Thursday, January 7 at 6:00 PM in the Library.  
Dress Rehearsal will be Sun., January 10 at 12:15 PM. Meet in Fellowship Hall.

DR. HINK will be gone January 8-10 on a personal spiritual retreat.

# The Boar's Head & Yule Log Festival



*Welcome - Welcome - Welcome*

Join us in this offering of praise to Jesus Christ at His Epiphany—remind us of the great gift of Love given to us in the person of Jesus Christ, Our Lord. Come and participate and be part of history at First Presbyterian Church of Sharon. It will be a magical afternoon complete with beautiful music; a story filled with wonder; and giving glory to God; bring your family and friends and participate!

**The Shenango Valley Chorale Madrigal Singers and The Sanctuary Choir, members and friends of First Presbyterian Church have planned a special performance on January 16, 2010 @ 3:30pm.**

The Boar's Head is probably the oldest continuing festival of the Christmas season. The Boar's Head, symbolic representation of evil, is overcome by good through the teachings of Christ (symbolized by light). The Yule Log—lit from last year's embers, symbolizes the re-kindling of Love. The old year passes, the new is born: yet the same Love lights each.

First Presbyterian Church of Sharon presents this Festival as a gift to our community.

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