Festival of Christ’s Birth
8:00 PM
First Presbyterian Church
208 Grant Avenue
Santa Fe, New Mexico
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December 24, 2018
MERRY Christmas

Please stand as you are able.
Text in bold is said in unison

Behold

Sonata, op. 5, no. 1
by Giuseppe Maria Jacchini
Jan McDonald and Jim Toevs, trumpets

O Come, All Ye Faithful

Light looked down and saw darkness.
“\textit{\textbf{I will go there}},” said Light.
Peace looked down and saw war.
“\textit{\textbf{I will go there}},” said Peace.
Love looked down and saw hatred.
“\textit{\textbf{I will go there}},” said Love.

So the Lord of Light, the Prince of Peace, the King of Love came down and crept in beside us, full of grace and truth.

\textit{\textbf{O come, let us adore him, Christ the Lord.  Alleluia!  Amen!}}

God of this holy night,
We were heavy with sorrow, but joy interrupted.
We were deep in the night, but a star appeared.
We were silent with sadness, but the heavens rang.

\textit{\textbf{And the splendor shone around them when the time had fully come.}}
We were hardened by conflict, but love intervened.
We were frightened by shadows, but light took them away.
We were haunted by fears, but a child brought us hope.

\textit{\textbf{And she laid him in a manger when the time had fully come.}}
We were dismal and defeated, but faith set us on fire.
We were weary and complaining, but our hearts discovered praise.
We were doubtful and confused, but a door to life was opened.

\textit{\textbf{And the guiding star went before them when the time had fully come.}}
The time is here. Let us rejoice!

\textit{\textbf{Amen.}}

ANTHEM

Gloria in Excelsis Deo
by Eleanor Daley
Chancel Choir
Be Still

LESSON
Isaiah 9:2-7

ANTHEM
Scots Nativity
by Alan Bullard

Chancel Choir

LESSON
Luke 2:1-14

CAROL 118
While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks (verses 1, 2, and 3)

LESSON
Luke 2:15–20

ANTHEM
O Magnum Mysterium
by Francis Poulenc

Chancel Choir

CHRISTMAS PRAYER
Hark! The Herald Angels Sing (verses 1, 2, and 3)

Become

THE OFFERING
Sleep of the Infant Jesus
by Henri Büsser

David Ponder, harp
Ari Le, viola

CAROL 134
Joy to the World (verses 1 and 2)

Rev. Dr. Harry Eberts III

CHristmas Message
Bring a Torch, Jeanette, Isabella
Traditional Provençal Carol, arr. by David W. Beatty

SOLO
Travis Bregier, baritone

LIGHTING of the CANDLES
Silent Night, Holy Night! (verses 1 through 4)

We light our candles during the singing of this carol.

The BLESSING

POSTLUDE
Sinfonia, BWV 249
by J. S. Bach

Jan McDonald and Jim Toevs, trumpets

In All Seasons

Serving Today
OFFICIANT
Rev. Dr. Harry Eberts III

LITURGIST
Rev. Christine Vogel

MUSICIANS
Linda Raney, Director of Music/Organist
David Beatty, Associate Musician
Travis Bregier, Assistant Choir Director
Chancel Choir
Jan McDonald, trumpet
Jim Toevs, trumpet
David G. Ponder, harp
Ari Le, viola

Sunday Services
MorningSong 8:30AM • Pope Hall
Traditional 11:00AM • Sanctuary

Morning Prayer
Wednesdays 7:00AM • McFarland Chapel

Celtic EvenSong
Wednesdays 5:30PM • Sanctuary

TGIF Concerts
Fridays 5:30PM • Sanctuary