

Outer Banks Presbyterian Church

Kill Devil Hills, North Carolina



For unto us a child is born,
unto us a son is given:
and the government
shall be upon his shoulder:
and his name shall be called

Wonderful, Counsellor,
The mighty God, The everlasting Father,
The Prince of Peace.

Isaiah 9:6

Christmas Eve Candlelight Service
Monday, December 24, 2018
5:00 pm

A Member of the Presbyterian Church (USA)
and the Presbytery of New Hope.

This Is God's House. All Are Welcome!

The Order of Service for Christmas Eve

♣ = CONGREGATION STANDING AS ABLE

◆ = APPROPRIATE TIMES TO BE SEATED WHEN ARRIVING AFTER SERVICE BEGINS

As people enter the Sanctuary they are encouraged to greet one another and share the gifts of friendship and love. As a kindness to fellow worshippers, please silence all electronic devices.

~ We Gather Together as God's People ~

May all who have come to this Christmas Eve service know that we want you to feel a part of this family of God. Welcome to all!

THE PIANO/ORGAN PRELUDE (*Beginning at 4:40 pm*) Cheryl Needham & Jason Evans

"Of the Father's Love Begotten" arr. Gilbert Martin

"Away in a Manger" arr. Mark Hayes

"All is Well" arr. Don Wrytzen

"Lo, How a Rose e'er Blooming" arr. Mark Hayes

"Angels We Have Heard on High" arr. Kenneth Varner

THE WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS The Rev. Dr. Jody Moore

THE CHORAL INTROIT: "The Wonder of Christmas" Joel Raney
The Sanctuary Choir

THE CALL TO WORSHIP (*Spoken Responsively*) The Writtenberry-Lewis Family

LEADER: During Advent, we have journeyed in faith toward God's wondrous gift!

PEOPLE: O come, let us adore him!

LEADER: During Advent, we stood in awe of God's saving grace.

PEOPLE: O come, let us adore him!

LEADER: During Advent, we recalled the promise of God's spoken word.

PEOPLE: O come, let us adore him!

LEADER: During Advent, we waited for the time of God's glorious arrival.

PEOPLE: O come, let us adore him!

LEADER: Tonight our waiting is over, our eyes are open, and the gift is given..

PEOPLE: O come, let us adore him!

THE LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE The Writtenberry - Lewis Family

THE RESPONSE: "Lift Up Your Eyes" arr. Joel Raney
The Sanctuary Choir & Congregation

There is won - der in the hope of the birth of a
King, there is won - der in the sound of the an - gels as they
sing. O - come, O come, Em - man - u -
el, and join us here.

THE OPENING PRAYERThe Writtenberry - Lewis Family

✠◆THE HYMN OF PRAISE NO. 133: "O Come, All Ye Faithful"ADESTE FIDELES

✠THE CHRISTMAS LITANY: "The Magnificat" (*Spoken Responsively*) Luke 1: 46-55

LEADER: My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior.

PEOPLE: **For God has regarded the low estate of His handmaiden.**

LEADER: For behold, henceforth all generations will call me blessed.

PEOPLE: **For He who is mighty has done great things for me, and holy is His name.**

LEADER: And His mercy is on those who fear Him from generation to generation.

PEOPLE: **He has put down the mighty from their thrones, and exalted those of low degree.**

LEADER: He has filled the hungry with good things and the rich He has sent away empty.

PEOPLE: **He has helped His servant Israel, in remembrance of His mercy.**

✠◆THE CAROL NO. 132: "Good Christian Friends, Rejoice" (*All verses*) IN DULCI JUBILO

✠◆THE PASSING OF THE PEACE (*Spoken Responsively*)

LEADER: The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

PEOPLE: **And also with you.**

THE CHILDREN'S SERMON

THE OFFERING OF GIFTSBarb Nowland, Greeting Elder

THE PIANO/ORGAN OFFERTORY: "Mary Did You Know?"Lowery/Greene/arr. Needham
Cheryl Needham & Jason Evans

✠THE OFFERTORY RESPONSE NO. 144: "In the Bleak Midwinter" (*Verse 4*)CRANHAM

What can I give him, poor as I am?

If I were a shepherd, I would bring a lamb;

If I were a wise man, I would do my part.

Yet what I can I give Him: give my heart.

THE CHRISTMAS PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER (*Spoken in Unison*)

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, the power and the glory forever. Amen.

THE SPECIAL MUSIC: "Comfort Ye My People/Every Valley Shall Be Exalted"G.F. Handel
Angelo Sonnesso, soloist

~ The Lessons and Carols ~

THE FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON: Isaiah 9: 2-7 Carla Hardy

The Prophecy

The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who lived in a land of deep darkness—on them light has shined. You have multiplied the nation, you have increased its joy; they rejoice before you as with joy at the harvest, as people exult when dividing plunder. For the yoke of their burden, and the bar across their shoulders, the rod

of their oppressor, you have broken as on the day of Midian. For all the boots of the tramping warriors and all the garments rolled in blood shall be burned as fuel for the fire. 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. His authority shall grow continually, and there shall be endless peace for the throne of David and his kingdom. He will establish and uphold it with justice and with righteousness from this time onwards and for evermore. The zeal of the Lord of hosts will do this.

THE CAROL NO. 121: “O Little Town of Bethlehem” (*Verses 1 & 2*) ST. LOUIS

THE SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON: Luke 2: 1-7 Brenda Brown

The Journey and the Birth

In those days a decree went out from Emperor Augustus that all the world should be registered. This was the first registration and was taken while Quirinius was governor of Syria. All went to their own towns to be registered. Joseph also went from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to the city of David called Bethlehem, because he was descended from the house and family of David. He went to be registered with Mary, to whom he was engaged and who was expecting a child. While they were there, the time came for her to deliver her child. And she gave birth to her firstborn son and wrapped him in bands of cloth, and laid him in a manger, because there was no place for them in the inn.

THE CAROL NO. 128: “Infant Holy, Infant Lowly” (*all verses*) W ZLOBIE LEZY

THE THIRD SCRIPTURE LESSON: Luke 2: 8-15..... Barbara Hardy

The Angels

In that region there were shepherds living in the fields, keeping watch over their flock by night. Then an angel of the Lord stood before them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. But the angel said to them, ‘Do not be afraid; for see — I am bringing you good news of great joy for all the people: to you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is the Messiah, the Lord. This will be a sign for you: you will find a child wrapped in bands of cloth and lying in a manger.’ And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host, praising God and saying, ‘Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace among those whom God favors!’ When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, ‘Let us go now to Bethlehem and see this thing that has taken place, which the Lord has made known to us.’

THE CAROL NO. 113: “Angels We Have Heard on High” (*Verses 1 & 2*) GLORIA

THE FOURTH SCRIPTURE LESSON: Luke 2: 16-20 Ike McRee

The Shepherds

So, they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the child lying in the manger. When they saw this, they made known what had been told them about this child; and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds told them. But Mary treasured all these words and pondered them in her heart. The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, as it had been told them.

THE CHORAL ANTHEM: “The Rose Tree Carol” J. M. Martin

The Sanctuary Choir

Winter’s frozen winds were stilled in the midst of snowing. Though the world with dark was filled, hope for life was growing. Then a rose tree blossomed fair, God’s own perfect flower so rare. On a tree once bare, grew a rose so fair. Oh! The rose tree blooming, fragrant its perfuming.

Through the shadows of the night wise men searched the heavens. There they saw a wondrous light, and it seemed to beckon. Come to Bethlehem and see. Come and worship Christ the King. See the shining star spreading light afar – Oh! The star was glowing, brightness ‘round them growing.

People on this blessed morn sing an alleluia. Come to where the Lord was born, sing an alleluia! Let creation praises bring, glory to the King of Kings. Let the people sing. Let the steeples ring. Alleluia - lift a joyful alleluia. Sing allelu, alleluia. Sing an alleluia!

THE FIFTH SCRIPTURE LESSON: Hebrews 1: 1-4..... The Rev. Dr. Jody Moore

The Good News

Long ago God spoke to our ancestors in many and various ways by the prophets, but in these last days he has spoken to us by a Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, through whom he also created the worlds. He is the reflection of God’s glory and the exact imprint of God’s very being, and he sustains all things by his powerful word. When he had made purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, having become as much superior to angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs.

LEADER: This is the Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE: **Thanks be to God.**

THE MEDITATION The Rev. Dr. Jody Moore

✦THE CAROL NO. 147: “The First Nowell” (*Verses 1-4*) THE FIRST NOWELL

✦THE STATEMENT OF FAITH (*Spoken in Unison*) From *A Declaration of Faith, Ch. 4.1*

The Lord sent the promised deliverer to God’s people. We affirm that Jesus was born of a woman as is every child, yet born of God’s power as was no other child. In the person and work of Jesus, God himself and a human life are united but not confused, distinguished but not separated. The coming of Jesus was itself the coming of God’s promised rule. Through his birth, life, death, and resurrection, he brings about the relationship between God and humanity that God always intended.

~ Sharing of the Light of Christ ~

Worshippers on the end of each pew will light their candles from the candles of the light-bearers. Tilt the unlit candle to the flame. Please hold lighted candles upright at all times. Raise your candle during the last line of each stanza of the hymn, “Silent Night.” The congregation will extinguish its candles when the pastor extinguishes his.

✦THE CAROL NO. 122: “Silent Night” (*all verses*) STILLE NACHT

**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! 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.

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.

~ *We Go Forth in Jesus' Name* ~

✠THE CAROL NO. 134: "Joy to the World" (all verses) ANTIOCH

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 world! The Savior reigns; Let us our songs employ;
While fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains
Repeat the sounding joy, Repeat the sounding joy,
Repeat, repeat the sounding joy.

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, Far as the curse is found,
Far as, far as the curse is found.

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 and wonders of His love.



✠THE CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

THE ORGAN POSTLUDE: "Joy to the World with Hallelujah Chorus"arr. Susan Caudill
Jason K. Evans, organist

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*The Session approved that this evening's offering
will go to the Beach Food Pantry.*



~ Poinsettia Donations 2018 ~

Those of you who wish to take your poinsettia may do so after this evening's service!

In Loving Memory of...

Our Parents

Tom & Margaret Hartman

Richard Edward Nock

Barbara Nock

Gerald J. Beshens

Helen Beshens

Parents & Siblings

Bob & Nancy Messinger

My parents, W. Dale & Thelma Guseman

My Husband, Larry

E.J. Markwood

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Ellen Grove

**Henry, Suzanne &
Susannah Hamilton**

Ellen Grove

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Lisa Rhodes

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Jorge & Judy Diaz

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(Evelyn's Parents)

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My Parents, Bob & Janet Bogar

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Carey & Cora Evans

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Jason Evans (Uncle)

**Our beloved daughter, Laury,
and our parents**

Fred & Helen Gauvreau

My Brother, Bob Goes
Jim Goes

My Brother, Chris Goes
Jim Goes

My Daughter, Tracy
Norm Sparks

My Sister, Caroline
Norm Sparks

My Sister, Liz
Norm Sparks

Rog & Gertrude Rogallo
Norm Sparks

My Parents
Norm Sparks

My Brother-in-Law, Phil Samuels
Norm Sparks

**Our parents, Andy & Isabelle Reilly,
Graham Baker, Bobby Smith, Ruth Baker
Smith**
Ron & Clara Ann Baker

**Our Baby Girl,
Rebekah Cecille Writtenberry-Lewis**
Jody, Hollie, Cailin, Joseph, Elisabeth & Gideon

**All of those in the
California Camp Fire**
Rosalyn Pugh

Allen Garrett
Becky DeSanto

Steve & Jean Dod
Nancy Lee Dod & Steven

Debbi Dod
Nancy Lee Dod & Steven

Our mother, Alice Johnson
Carl & Laura Lilieberg

Our mother, Jeanette Strong
Carl & Laura Lilieberg

My beloved husband, Stanley Dutt
Ruth Dutt

In Honor of...

My Mother, Arlene H. Evans
Jason Evans

**All of those in the
California camp fire**
Rosalyn Pugh

Mirabelle Darlyn Booth
Martin & Nonie Booth

Charles Tyler Booth
Martin & Nonie Booth

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Helen Beshens

**Our Grandchildren: Walker,
Baker, Grainger & Kamryn**
Ron & Clara Ann Baker

Our Lord & Savior, Jesus Christ
Jean Basnight

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