

## CONTRIBUTING TO TODAY'S SERVICE:

Greeter: Marilyn Sjogren

Ushers: Alisa Dinneen, Bill & Karen Wilson

Tech Crew: Larry Trussell & Steve Tangeman

Organist: Helen Wild

Scripture Reader: Rojean DuBois

Prayers requested for health, healing, and peace:

Rev. John and Gwen Haspels (mission trip)

The family of Rev. Bill Kleymann, The Family of Elinor Kliever,  
Arlen Anderson, Ron Cheyney, Nancy Ice Schulp, and Jeri Smith

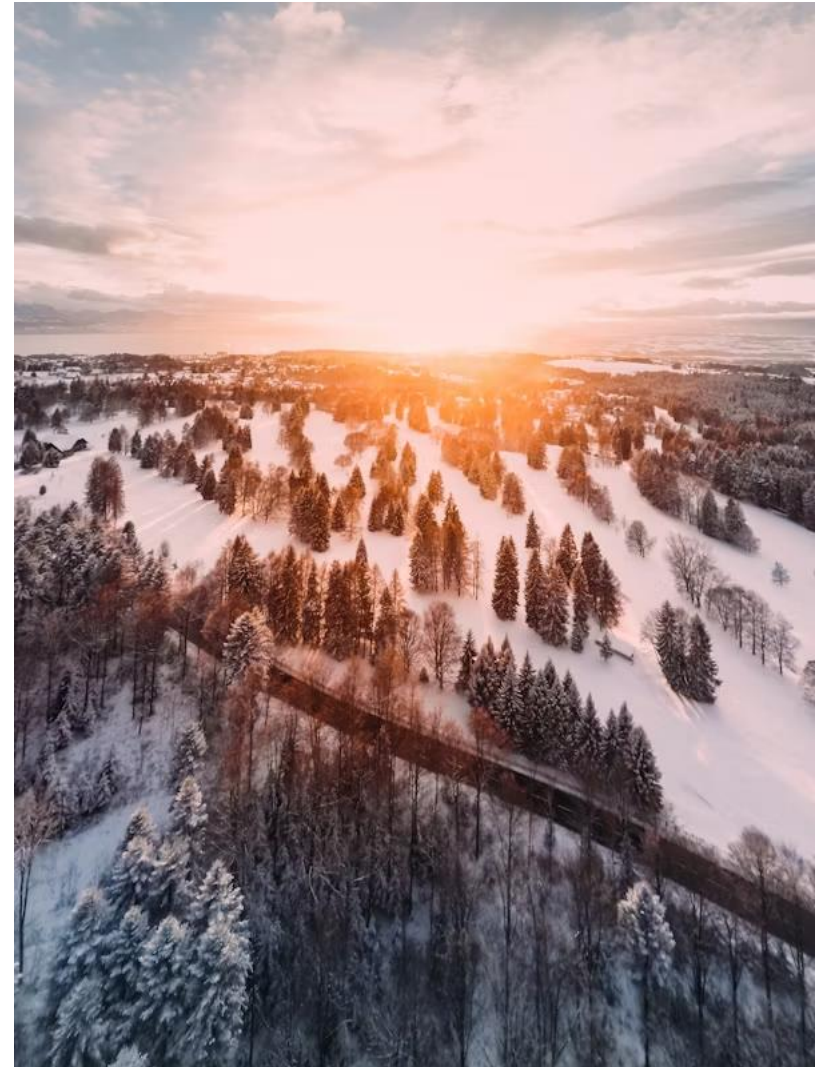
### THIS WEEK @ FPC Dec. 7<sup>th</sup> – 13<sup>th</sup>

<b>Today</b>	9:15 am	Adult Sunday School
	<b>10:30 am</b>	<b>Worship Service</b>
	<b>3:00 pm</b>	<b>Christmas Vespers Concert</b>
<b>Monday</b>	8:30 - 10:00 am	Ping Pong in the basement
<b>Tuesday</b>	6:30 - 8:30 pm	Prairie Bronze Bell Choir
<b>Wednesday</b>	9:00 am	Men's Breakfast
	*Circle meeting has been cancelled for December	
	6:00 pm	Serve @ New Hope Shelter
	7:30 pm	FPC Bell Choir Practice
<b>Thursday</b>	6:00 pm	Serve @ New Hope Shelter
	7:00 pm	Outreach Team
<b>Saturday</b>	6:00 pm	Serve @ New Hope Shelter
<b>Next Sunday</b>	Special Music from Handel's Messiah in service	

Worship @

*First Presbyterian Church*

Newton, KS



## PRELUDE “Still, Still, Still”

arr. Dan R. Edwards

## CONGREGATIONAL LIFE

- Welcome, Announcements, Guests & Prayer Requests

### LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE

– Bill & Karen Wilson

#### **Congregational Response:**

*All: Loving God, in this time of preparation and planning, We thank you for the hope and peace you unfailingly offer us. Show us the creative power of hope. Teach us the peace that comes from forgiveness. Prepare our hearts to be transformed by you, that we may walk in the light of Christ. Amen.*

#### ✦ **CALL TO WORSHIP** (Recite in unison)

*Lord, How good it is to give thanks to you and to sing praises to your glorious name; to declare your loving kindness at the break of the day, and your faithfulness during the night. Lord, hear our voices at the dawn of the day, and in the morning let us be found ready by you, for the sake of your eternal name. In Jesus Name, Amen*

#### ✦ **LORD’S PRAYER** (Pray 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, and the power, and the glory forever, Amen.*

#### ✦ **HYMN** “O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

PH #9

#### ✦ **PRAYER OF CONFESSION & ASSURANCE OF PARDON** (Recite in unison)

**See Insert**

#### ✦ **CHORAL RESPONSE** “Gloria Patri”

PH # 579

*Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost!  
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be! World without end, Amen, Amen!*

### SPECIAL MUSIC

“Silent Night”

PH #60

Lori Staeffler & Louis Trombold

### SCRIPTURE

Rojean DuBois

John 1:14 -18 NIV

**Reader:** This is the Word of the Lord. **People:** Thanks be to God

### SERMON – Pastor Scott McGinnis

#### “Christmas Again & Again”

### LORD’S SUPPER

*Communion is offered two ways: From the Communion Table or Packaged Individual Communion Elements. Please place used cups in sealed bags and discard after service. Thank you!*

### GOD’S TITHES AND OUR OFFERINGS

#### OFFERTORY “Advent Noel”

arr. Michael Ryan

#### ✦ **DOXOLOGY & PRAYER OF DEDICATION** PH #592

*Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below. Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

#### ✦ **HYMN** “Lift Up Your Heads Ye Mighty Gates” PH#8

### BENEDICTION

#### POSTLUDE “People, Look East” arr. Stephen L. Aber

## ✠PRAYER OF CONFESSION & ASSURANCE OF PARDON *(Recite in unison)*

*Mighty and powerful God, your word says, "Pray without ceasing." But we go for days without even thinking about You. Your word says, "Give thanks in all circumstances." But our thankfulness is fleeting, because we think we deserve blessings. Gracious God, forgive us and renew us. Use this advent time to break open our hearts, open our eyes to Your presence and open our arms wide to welcome You. We are forgiven; we are freed, We are beloved; we are blessed, Thanks be to God! Amen.*

## John 1:14-18 NIV

<sup>14</sup> The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the one and only Son, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth. <sup>15</sup> (John testified concerning him. He cried out, saying, "This is the one I spoke about when I said, 'He who comes after me has surpassed me because he was before me.'") <sup>16</sup> Out of his fullness we have all received grace in place of grace already given. <sup>17</sup> For the law was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ. <sup>18</sup> No one has ever seen God, but the one and only Son, who is himself God and is in closest relationship with the Father, has made him known.

Newton is experiencing an increased need for food this month. Please consider donating.

### The Salvation Army needs:

Spaghetti-O's and other canned meals, ramen noodles, canned vegetables, soups, spaghetti sauce and noodles, granola bars and boxed individual snacks, crackers, hamburger helper, pop tarts, peanut butter and jelly, toilet paper, and paper towels.

New Jerusalem has a food pantry as well to donate to. They are located at 209 E. Broadway St.

\*FPC's secretary will be out of the office December 9<sup>th</sup> - 11<sup>th</sup>.

Pastor Scott will be available and can help with office needs. Please contact him by his cell phone if you need assistance.

PW Circle has been cancelled for December 10th.



### PLEASE ADOPT ONE OF US!!

Hi there: My friends and I are back again this year. You were all so nice last year adopting us like you did.

We were stored very carefully all year and now we are out again and ready to be adopted. We are going to stay right here for all to enjoy this Advent and Christmas season.

We are **\$15.00** and all the proceeds go to the kids groups to do more fun activities. So, please adopts us.

**MERRY CHRISTMAS!!**

#### ORDER FORM

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

In Honor/Memory Of: \_\_\_\_\_