

\* Hymn # 203 "Away In A Manger"  
 Prayer for Illumination  
 Holy Scripture Micah 5: 2-4 and Luke 1: 39-45  
 Sermon "Great Expectations" Pastor Rick

GIVE THANKS TO GOD

**RECEPTION OF OUR OFFERING** PRAYER CARDS - Please print and sign the yellow prayer cards when you place them in the offering plate.

Offertory Anthem "God Rest Ye Merry, Gentlemen"  
 \*Doxology – Hymn # 34  
 Prayer of Dedication  
 Prayers of our Church and The Lord's Prayer

GO IN GOD'S NAME

\*Hymn # 184 "What Child Is This?"  
 \*Benediction  
 Benediction Response  
 Postlude

The Greeters as you entered were Anne & Keith Davis.  
 Assisting today are Doreen Corwith Eckert & Sarah Eckert.  
 The Acolytes are Elijah Halsey and Parker West.  
 The Ushers are Brenda Frankenbach, Ed Vandervoort and Karyn & Bruce McGowin.

*Happening at FPC...*

Day	Date	Time	Event
Mon	12/21	1:45pm	Spanish Class
Tues	12/22	4pm 7pm	No Chancel Choir Rehearsal AI Anon & AI ATeen Meetings
Wed	12/23	4:30pm 8pm	<b>No Meals on Wings until January 6th</b> AA Meeting
Thurs	12/24	5:30pm 8pm	Candlelight Christmas Eve Service Communion Candlelight Christmas Eve Svc.
Fri	12/25	<i>Merry Christmas</i>	
Sun	12/27	9am 10am	Chancel Choir Warm-up Worship Service, followed by fellowship time

**HOLY YOGA WILL RESUME ON THURSDAY, JANUARY 7<sup>TH</sup> AT 10AM IN THE PARLOR.**

**Attention Members:** If you have made a pledge for 2016, and use the envelope system for giving your weekly pledge, please pick up your box of envelopes located at the rear of the sanctuary. If you have any questions, please see Marge Squires.

The Board of Trustees, in their ongoing effort to keep the church facilities in good shape, is having the kitchen floor resurfaced the week of January 11<sup>th</sup>- 15<sup>th</sup>. All organizations have been informed of this work project, and therefore meeting locations have been adjusted. Thank you for your cooperation.

PRAYER REQUESTS:

Jason Acquino	Lilie Frantz	James Phillips
Jeff Aho	Prudy Fowler	Irene Raymond
Courtney Armusewicz	Lesia Groves	Hope Tocci-Shields
Kim Bagley	Fleurette Guilloz	Susan Tocci
Drew Birdsall	Frank Harp	Tammy Tocci
Cornelia Buttonow	Adam Hinman	Perry Tuccarone
Wendy Cottrell	Millie King	William Tucker
Penny Coyle	Rev. John Kloepfer	Dot Vande Woude
Diane Deutschmann	Dorothy Maggio	Terri Vella
Robert Dickerson	Johan Malmenstrom	Bryan Weller
June Donahue	Elizabeth Manser	Tiffany White
Joel Alves Feria	Alice Martin	Ron Woods
Colleen Frankenbach	Robert Murphy, Sr.	"Unspoken Requests"

**PRAYERS FOR THE FOLLOWING MILITARY PERSONNEL:**

Sgt. Brian Armusewicz	CS3 Dylan McMahon	Capt. Alex Runyan
SFC Mildred Hill	PFC Jason Neville	Airman Alana Smith
Sgt. John Jones	SPC Dale Newcomb	SSgt Jamie Westerhoff
Capt. Timothy Kuehhas	SPC Brandon Rist	Lt. Bradley A. Woods
Sgt. Kenny Lockard		Staff Sgt. David Worrell

**We will continue collecting non-perishables throughout the year. Please drop off all weekly donations in the box outside the church office.**



**Sign-up Sheets for Maureen's Haven Volunteers are located in the hallway by the Kitchen. Volunteers are always needed and welcomed!**

*Are you interested in becoming a member of First Presbyterian Church and making us your home church?*

*Fill out the yellow card in the pew rack and drop it in the offering plate or hand it to Pastor Rick at the door. As soon as he gets a couple of people together he will set up a New Members Class....don't worry there's no tests involved!*

*Are you on the church email list?*

*Just drop a note with your name & email address to: [fpc@fpc1.org](mailto:fpc@fpc1.org) and we'll get you on the email list so you won't miss anything going on here at FPC!*

*Are you on the church Birthday/Anniversary list?*

*Put your name and Birthday &/or Anniversary date on a piece of paper and drop it off on Shelley's desk in the church office.*

*Interested in joining the church choir?*

*See Katherine Mades, the choir director, and arrange for an audition!*

*Interested in joining the Presbyterian Women's Circle?*

*The Presbyterian Women meet the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of each month at 10am in the church Dining Room for a Circle meeting and Bible Study.*

*Do you have a child or grandchild in Junior High or Senior High?*

*Our youth groups meet each Wednesday. See Kelly D'Angelo for more details or email her at [youthdir@fpc1.org](mailto:youthdir@fpc1.org)*

**THE FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**



Two South Main Street  
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*The Oldest Presbyterian Church in America*

*Established 1640*

**Our Vision**

*Our Vision at First Presbyterian Church is to be a Cornerstone of Faith in Jesus and a Family of Love and Service, Reaching out to our Community and the World.*

**Our Mission**

*Our mission at historic First Presbyterian Church of Southampton is to be a welcoming beacon of light that inspires people of all ages to seek a personal relationship with God through Jesus Christ. As disciples of Jesus, we will serve others through mission, guide and nurture our youth, and be a loving haven of comfort and support for our community.*

**THE ADMINISTRATION**

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December 20, 2015

10 am

## FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Introit

*\* Those who are able, please stand*

**\*Call to Worship** Advent Wreath Lighting

**L:** This is the fourth Sunday of Advent, the time of preparing for the coming of Christ our Savior. Today our words are **LET IT BE.**

We remember that we are to wait, prepare, and witness. Now, as Christ's arrival nears, we are reminded of Mary's words. **"Let it be."** It is not up to us to dictate to God how Christ will come into our world and lives, for God continually surprises us. Let God's will be done in each of us.

**P:** **We relight our candles which remind us to wait, to prepare, to witness. Now we complete our circle, lighting the candle which proclaims, "Let it be." Christ is the light of our world, and we have only to open ourselves and he will come to us.**

**L** Gracious God, our time of waiting is almost over. We pray that we have prepared well, that we have proclaimed and witnessed to Christ's coming, and that we are now willing to let Christ enter our hearts and lives.

**P: Let us worship God!**

\*Hymn # 185

"Hark! The Herald Angels Sing!"

**\*Prayer of Confession (Unison)**

**Most holy God, in Christ you pour out your mercy to forgive our transgression. Hear us now as we confess our sin. We err in our judgment of what you want from us. We seek to appease you with offerings, earn your favor by doing good deeds, or garner a blessing through making some sacrifice. Forgive us our nature that is prone to buy favor, and in Christ restore us to a right relationship with you. Amen.**

\*Moment for Silent Confession

\*Assurance of Pardon

*Micah foresees the Coming One, who shall stand and feed the flock. The people shall dwell secure in the majesty of God's name. Christ is our peace, and we can dwell secure in the knowledge that through him we are forgiven. Amen.*

\*Gloria Patri – Hymn # 734

### PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

#### **Children's Angel Choir & Mini Pageant**

directed by Adam & Jennifer Judd, readings by Andrew Judd

"O Come, O Come Emmanuel", "O Little Town of Bethlehem", "Angels We Have Heard on High", "Go, Tell It On the Mountains", "Joy to the World!" and "Silent Night, Holy Night"

Special Recognition

The Session of First Presbyterian Church has called a meeting of the Congregation for today, December 20, 2015, following the worship service. The purpose of the meeting will be to elect Elders, Deacons, and Trustees.

Richard R. Boyer, Moderator  
Stephen Ham, Clerk of Session

### December Birthdays & Anniversaries

- 2 – Karla Hawke Brantuk; Larry Strickland
- 3 – Andrew Gardner
- 4 – Peyton James Brantuk
- 6 – Brad King; Dorothy Tennant; Kyle Vella
- 7 – Sylvia Boyer; Tom Luss; Tim Murray
- 8 – Jay Bennett; Rosalie Judd; Mary Maran; Leslie White
- 9 – Mackenzie Pepitone
- 10 – Suzanne Mutzek; Blair West
- 12 – John Poremba; Brynn Tupper
- 13 – Ed Dressler; Thomas Jagger Wilson
- 14 – Haley Dressler; Anecya Sutton
- 17 – Cole Richard Brantuk
- 18 – Kathleen King
- 19 – Whitman Adams; Susan Burke; Allison Lennon; Kimberly McSparran
- 21 – Redford Adams
- 22 – Susan Davis; Kenny Lockard; Fran Westerhoff
- 24 – Richie King; Joyce Murphy; Kathy Rogers
- 25 – John Parry Jr.; Kyle Warner
- 26 – Noelle Capone
- 27 – Hawke Edson
- 28 – Jacob Armus; Jessica Burke; Chris Dressler; Wendy Enstine; Amy Pierson
- 30 – Braden & Rachelle Adams; Judith Lattanzio; Helen B. White
- 31 – Jason & Lauren Korte



### **Memorial Brick**

Many of our congregation have already placed a brick in our Memorial Garden to remember or honor their loved one(s). Christmas is a perfect time to pay tribute to those who blessed our lives. \$75 per engraved brick. The brick donation forms are available in the church office and if you have any questions, call Nancy Lennon at 283-2087.



We have started an "EGBAR Ministry." EGBAR means "Everything's Gonna Be All Right" If you're facing surgery, treatments or the loss of a loved one, there are times when you're alone, so wouldn't it be nice to hold a soft cuddly bear given to you by your church family to remind you that you are prayed for by your church? Please see MaryAnn Tupper for further information.

*Join us for Christmas Eve*



*5:30pm*

*Candlelight Family  
Service with music from  
our Chancel Choir.*

*8pm*

*Candlelight Communion  
Service*