

# WOODSTOCK PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 29, 2019 - 11:00 AM 1ST SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS

"I was glad when they said to me, 'Let us go to the house of the Lord!"" Psalm 122:1

Welcome to all who gather to worship today! We hope you feel warmly welcomed and even "at home," for all are welcome in God's house! If you are a guest today, we are honored by your presence with us and hope to see you again! Please take a moment to sign the Friendship Register located in the pew. Everyone is invited to stay for our fellowship hour following worship!

WPC Vision & Mission Statement	WE GATHER TO WORSHIP	
Growing and Building in	Prelude Sleep, Little Jesus Polish	Carol
the Love of Christ Ephesians 4:16	The Snow Lay on the Ground Hymr When Christmas Morn Is Dawning Ger. Folk	
We ENVISION a church that:		Song
† Is kind, generous, hospitable and	Welcome and Announcements	
welcoming. † Involves everyone in	*Call to Worship Is. 63:7	
local and global	We recount the gracious deeds of God,	
mission.	all the praiseworthy acts the Lord has done for us:	
Treats everyone as a Child of God.	Praise God for coming to dwell among us, Imma	nuel.
† Shares our time, talents, and treasure.	Praise God for the good news of Jesus, the pioneer	-
Our MISSION is to grow and build in:	Of our salvation.	
	Praise God for making us brothers and sisters in	
* Faith through worship,	Christ.	
<ul> <li>prayer, and Bible study.</li> <li>Fellowship with one another and with</li> </ul>	Praise God who is present with us still, lifting us up	
guests.	and carrying us.	
† Hospitality shown to our community and world.	God's glory shines in heaven and on earth. Praise the Lord!	
Facilities that are exceptional and accessible.	*Hymn 135 Rise Up, Shepherd and Follow	
	*Opening Prayer	
* Congregation is invited to stand.	Lord, open our hearts to receive your Word: by Spirit free us from the power of darkness and show the inheritance of the saints of light. Amen.	~



Invitation to Confession of Sin

brothers and sisters as you intend.

living in harmony and peace.

may wholly trust in you.

our flesh and blood. Amen.

**Assurance of Forgiveness** 

\*Gloria Patri (words to the right)

**Prayer Of Confession** 

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#### **Class of 2020**

Marian French, Trustee Diane Cook Margaret Nelson Morgan Saeler

#### Class of 2021

Jerry Germroth, Trustee Becky Fadely Malinda Johnston Cindy Wilkins

WE EXPERIENCE GOD'S WORD

Merciful God, in great love you have claimed us

as your children. We confess that we have not loved

you as we should. We have not participated fully in

your purposes and plans; we grow weary and give

up when the way is hard. We have not loved our

Complacent in the presence of injustice and

Forgive us, especially when we fail to protect

Forgive our misuse of power against people, and

against your creation. Help us to praise you by

Do not be ashamed of us, we pray, but strengthen us

in our time of testing. Set us free from fear that we

We pray in the name of Jesus Christ, who shared

violence, we fail to recognize our own complicity.

children so vulnerable and precious in your sight.

## Children's Message

One Small Babe M. Beall/J. Althouse Anthem

**Scripture Readings** Isaiah 63:7-9 Matthew 2:13-23

### Message

Rev. Karen Caspersen

Ghost. Amen.

**\*Hymn 115** Away in a Manger

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD **Gloria** Patri Glory be to the \*Affirmation of Faith Apostles' Creed Father, and to the I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of Son, and to the Holy heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ his only Son, Ghost; As it was in our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born the beginning, is of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was now, and ever shall crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; be, world without end. Amen! Amen! the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father The Lord's Prayer Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the Our Father, who art quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost, the in heaven, hallowed holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the be Thy name. Thy forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and kingdom come. Thy will be done on the life everlasting. Amen. earth as it is in heaven. Give us this \*Hymn 123 It Came Upon a Midnight Clear dav our daily bread. **Prayers of Intercession & Lord's Prayer** And forgive us our debts as we forgive Offering our debtors. And lead us not into Offertory What Shall I Give to the temptation, but *Child in the Manger?* **Spanish Carol** deliver us from evil: \*Doxology For thine is the kingdom, and the \*Praver of Thanks and Dedication power, and the glory, forever. WE DEPART TO SERVE Amen. \*Hymn 136 Go Tell It on the Mountain Doxology Praise God from whom all blessings \*Benediction flow; Praise Him, all creatures here \*Choral Benediction He Came Down Hymn 137 below: Praise Him above ye heavenly **\*Postlude** Hallelujah Chorus (The Messiah) host; Praise Father, G. F. Handel and Holy Son