

Gathering Around the Word

ADVENT CANDLELIGHTING

Roper family

CALL TO WORSHIP

Michael Hamilton

JOY TO THE WORLD (UNSPEAKABLE JOY)

PRAYER OF CONFESSION & ASSURANCE OF PARDON

HARK! THE HERALD ANGELS SING

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER

Rev. Shawn Hevener

All: 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. 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.

DOXOLOGY

Dismissal for children (PreK—2nd grade) attending our optional Children's Church.

Proclaiming the Word

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Malachi 3:14-20 and Luke 3:1-6

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God!**

SERMON

Christmas Presence—Watching in Peace

Responding to the Word

ANGELS, FROM THE REALMS OF GLORY

Sharing the Word with the World

CHARGE & BENEDICTION

ANGELS WE HAVE HEARD ON HIGH

Sunday Morning Details

Ed & Doris Burns ~ Greeters

Mandy Hollingsworth ~ Children's Church leader

Welcome, Guests

We are glad you are worshiping with us today. Please stop by the table in the hallway to get some information about Presbyterian Fellowship and/or fill out a Visitor Card. You can also check our Facebook page or website (www.pffi.net) for additional news about PFFI.

Nurseries

Friends of all ages are welcome in our service. Staffed nurseries (infant & toddler) are also available for children under age 3. They are located at the end of the hallway.

Children's Worship Station & Children's Church

Children of all ages are always welcome to worship in the service. Children's bulletins and clipboards are available in the hallway. An optional Children's Church meets during part of the service. Shawn will dismiss participating children (PreK-2nd grade) after the Doxology.

Offering Box

The wooden offering box is on the tall stand in the gathering space. We will not pass an offering plate during the service. You may also mail offerings to P.O. Box 429, Fountain Inn, SC 29644.

Announcements

Joyfully Living: Middle and High School Youth Group Tonight

Youth Group will meet tonight from 6 until 8 p.m. in the Youth Building for dinner and some festive Christmas fun including ornament-making! Text Mrs. Dana (540.255.1605) if have questions.

Joyfully Living: Men's Breakfast Next Sunday

The monthly Men's Breakfast is next Sunday, December 12th at 7:45 a.m. in the church office (red brick house). Men of all ages are invited.

Joyfully Living: Evening G.A.L.S. This Tuesday

The Evening G.A.L.S. group will meet this Tuesday, December 7th at 6:45 p.m. in the church office. Contact Doris Burns or Lisa Weinel if you have any questions about this women's group.

Joyfully Sharing: Blood Drive

Due to the blood shortage in the Upstate, we are hosting a Blood Drive on Wednesday, December 15th from 2-6 p.m. You can check the church Facebook page or website (www.pffi.net) for the online sign-up link. Please talk to Nan Howard if you have any questions or need help signing up to donate blood.

Joyfully Sharing: Christmas Shop

Several small groups supported the Fountain Inn Christmas Shop with toys and financial gifts. Several Covenant Partners and youth will be serving families at the Shop next weekend. In addition, our church purchased 16 winter coats to be given out to children from Fountain Inn Elementary through the Shop. Thank you for generous giving to PFFI!

Joyfully Sharing: Christmas Cards for Carlyle

We are collecting signed Christmas cards for our neighbors at Carlyle! Cards can be placed in the clear basket in the gathering space (underneath of the mirror) through December 12th. Please be sure to sign your name and/or write a message inside your Christmas card. The cards will be delivered along with Christmas gift bags the youth are preparing for each resident at Carlyle.

Candlelight Christmas Eve Service

Our Candlelight service will be Friday, December 24th at 7:00 p.m.

Presbyterian Fellowship of Fountain Inn

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Rev. Shawn Hevener ~ Pastor
Dana Hevener ~ Ministry Assistant
Celia Tuttle ~ Pianist

Ewan Sweeney ~ ECO Pastoral Intern
Heather Nash ~ Music Director
Pete Smith ~ Caretaker

Joyfully learning, living and sharing the Word of God and the love of Jesus!