



December 8, 2024

first presbyterian church  
**TRADITIONAL WORSHIP**

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# CONNECT WITH US

### POINSETTIA DEDICATIONS

Deck the halls and the Sanctuary! Poinsettias are on sale now for \$35.00. They may be given in honor or in memory of someone. The deadline to purchase is TODAY. To order, visit [fpcnorfolk.org](http://fpcnorfolk.org) or check the box on the Connection Card and place a check with the memo line "poinsettia" in the offering plate.

### BOXES OF LOVE - ON SALE NOW \$65.00

Your support provides an elementary student at our Allamano School and their family life-sustaining provisions for one month over the Christmas season. Visit [treeoflives.org](http://treeoflives.org) for info and to purchase or buy in the Common on Sunday.

### COAT DRIVE

Drop off new or gently used coats in the bins in the Common.

### WINTER SHELTER AT FPC DECEMBER 22- JANUARY 5

This holiday season FPC will serve as an emergency shelter for our community. We will provide overnight housing, dinner and breakfast to men and women. Anyone with a heart for the city can volunteer. We have jobs for every age and there's no previous experience needed. Sign up at [fpcnorfolk.com](http://fpcnorfolk.com) or in the Common.

### FAMILY NIGHT FOR THE SHELTER DECEMBER 22

Bring the family to help us prepare meals and serve at ther Winter Shelter. Sign up at [fpcnorfolk.com](http://fpcnorfolk.com) or in the Common.

### WEDNESDAY NIGHTS AT FPC DECEMBER 11 5:15 DINNER | 6PM BIBLE STUDY

Adults will gather together as we explore what it means to believe in Jesus. Kids will rehearse for the Christmas Pageant. Dinner costs \$10.00/adult and \$5.00/child. Max \$25 per family. Register on the Connection Card or on the FPC website.

### CHRISTMAS PAGEANT DRESS REHEARSAL SATURDAY, DECEMBER 14 FROM 10AM-12PM

All kids in the Christmas Pageant need to be present at the dress rehearsal and costume fitting. Email Suzanne at [suzanne@fpcnorfolk.org](mailto:suzanne@fpcnorfolk.org), with questions.

### SENIORS FIRST WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 11 AT NOON

Join us for a holiday lunch and fellowship together. The FPP Preschool students will perform their holiday program. \$10.00 for lunch - pay at the door, on the kiosk, or website. RSVP on the church website.

### CHURCHWIDE POTLUCK & CHRISTMAS PAGEANT SUNDAY, DECEMBER 15 AT 5PM

Invite your friends, family & neighbors and join us for an exciting holiday evening as our children recount the story of the first Christmas. Bring a side or salad to share with your church family. Desserts will be provided. If you are not coming to the dinner, the pageant will begin at 6pm.

### CHRISTMAS EVE WORSHIP TUESDAY, DECEMBER 24

Celebrate Christ's birth! Bring your family & friends.  
3pm - Family Worship (SANCTUARY) | 4:30, 6pm - Traditional Worship (SANCTUARY)

### WORSHIP AS ONE SUNDAY, DECEMBER 29 AT 10AM

Kick off the New Year together as we join to worship in one service. Come for worship and stay for breakfast biscuits and a celebration of all that is to come in 2025. No Community Hour.

# WE'RE GLAD YOU ARE HERE!

Complete the connection card, tear off and place in the basket during the offering collection. Thank you!

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

New/revised contact information

1st Time Guest    2nd Time Guest    Regular Visitor    Member

If you are a guest, how did you hear about FPC? \_\_\_\_\_

Which service did you attend today?    8:00    9:00    11:00



PARENTS, REGISTER  
YOUR CHILD, USING THE  
QR CODE BELOW.

We want to meet you! First time  
kids should be escorted by an  
adult to Children's Church.



# LET US PRAY WITH YOU!

(Write prayer requests and general comments below)

YOUR NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

Keep Confidential

Share in FPC Prayer Letter

Going on Deployment

I'd like to purchase a poinsettia in honor of/in memory of: (circle one) \_\_\_\_\_

I will attend Wednesday night on December 11 \_\_\_\_\_ Adults \_\_\_\_\_ Kids  
 I will attend Seniors First on December 11

## Gloria

BY JOHN RUTTER

presented by the FPC Chancel Choir

I

Glória in excélsis Deo  
et in terra pax hominibus bonae  
voluntátis. Laudámus te, benedícimus  
te, adorámus te, glorificámus te,  
grátias ágimus tibi propter magnam  
glóriam tuam,

Glory to God in the highest,  
and on earth peace to people of good  
will. We praise you, we bless you,  
we adore you, we glorify you, we give  
you thanks for your great glory.

II

Dómine Deus, Rex caeléstis,  
Deus Pater omnípotens. Dómine Fili  
Unigénite, Jesu Christe, Dómine Deus,  
Agnus Dei, Fílius Patris, qui tollis pec-  
cáta mundi, miserére nobis; qui tollis  
peccáta mundi, súscipe deprecati-  
onem nostram. Qui sedes ad dexteram  
Patris, miserére nobis.

Lord God, heavenly King, O God,  
almighty Father. Lord Jesus Christ,  
Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb  
of God, Son of the Father, you take  
away the sins of the world, have mercy  
on us; you take away the sins of the  
world, receive our prayer. You are  
seated at the right hand of the Father,  
have mercy on us.

III

Quóniam tu solus Sanctus, tu solus  
Dóminus, tu solus Altíssimus,  
Jesu Christe, cum Sancto Spírítu: in  
glória Dei Patris. Amen.

For you alone are the Holy One, you  
alone are the Lord, you alone are the  
Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy  
Spirit, in the glory of God the Father.  
Amen.

### Offering Our Gifts

*Secure e-giving is available on the website. Or, text to give by texting GIVE with your desired amount to 757-530-LOVE. Place cash or check gift in the envelopes in the pew backs and put in the offering plate.*

### \*Doxology

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.

### \*Prayer of Dedication

#### Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer *(debts)*

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 tempta-  
tion, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the  
glory, forever. Amen.

### \*Closing Hymn 23

*Angels We Have Heard on High*

### Benediction

## ORDER OF WORSHIP

For our kids: at the 9 & 11am worship services, children through 3rd grade will  
spend the first 15 minutes in worship and then will leave after the children's  
sermon to attend junior church. *We have a nursery available at 11am worship.*

### Prelude

### Welcome

### Lighting of the Second Advent Candle - Isaiah 9:2

The people walking in darkness

**have seen a great light;**

on those living in the land of deep darkness

**a light has dawned.**

### \*Opening Hymn 9

*O Come, O Come, Emmanuel*

### Prayer of Confession

O God, you judge your people with righteousness; we judge our neighbors  
either right or wrong. Your Servant defended the cause of the poor; it is because  
of our greed that many still want. You bring deliverance to the needy, but we  
stand in the way of its being received. You send us a Savior who will crush the  
oppressor, but we raise up idols in his stead. Make us mindful of your dominion,  
how you rule while sun and moon endure. May we bow down before you and  
pay you the tribute that you are due.

### Silent Reflection

### Confessional Response

O Holy Child of Bethlehem, Descend to us, we pray; Cast out our sin and enter  
in, Be born in us today. We hear the Christmas angels, The great glad tidings  
tell; O come to us, abide with us, Our Lord Emmanuel!

### Assurance of Pardon

### \*Congregational Response to God's Grace: Gloria Gloria #576

Gloria, Gloria, in excelsis Deo! Gloria, Gloria, alleluia, alleluia!

### Announcements

### Children Dismissed For Children's Church

*\*Children grade 3 and below will be dismissed to children's church*

### Scripture Reading

Luke 2:1-20 (pg 1026)