

# ORDER OF SERVICE

*Christ the King*

November 24<sup>th</sup>, 2024

## GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

**Announcements & Affirmation of Community**

**Joys and Concerns**

**Prelude** "Circle Game"

by Adrian Carr from the album  
*On the Other Side of Everything.*

**Silent Reflection Time**

**Choral Introit** "Here In This Place Gather Us In"  
Text & Music by Marty Haugen

**Call to Worship**

Grace to you and peace from the one who is  
and who was and who is to come,  
**And from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness,  
the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of earth.**  
Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts.  
**The whole earth is full of God's glory.**

**\*Hymn** "For the Beauty of the Earth" #14

**Call to Confession**

**Prayer of Confession**

Holy God, how often we trust in the promises of earthly rulers  
instead of the power of your love; help us to turn our hearts toward  
you. Restore us in your love, and set us free to forgive as we have  
been forgiven, by the grace and mercy of Christ. Amen. (**Silent  
Prayer**)

**Assurance of Pardon**

**\*Gloria Patri** #581

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.

## HEARING GOD'S WORD

**Prayer of Illumination**

**First Reading** **Revelation 1:4b-8** pg. 245

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**Choral Anthem** "Sing to the Lord of Harvest"  
Musical Setting by Healy Willan

**Second Reading** **John 18:33-38a** pg. 112

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**Sermon** "The Kingdom" Rev. Tim Luoma

**Silent Reflection Time**

**\*Hymn** "Now Thank All We Our God" #643

## OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S WORD

**Offertory Invitation**

**Offertory** "Come Sing a Song of Harvest"  
Music by Melchior Vulpius (1609),  
Words by Fred Pratt Green (1976)

**\*Doxology** #606

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 Thanksgiving/Dedication**

Holy God, the psalmist declares that in your realm, all the poor are satisfied with bread. Plant that promise firmly in our hearts, that we might be agents of your covenant love. Use these gifts, shape our desire, until hunger is no more- for Jesus taught us to seek our neighbor's daily bread, and we pray by the power of his name.  
**Amen.**

### **Prayers of the People**

#### **The Lord's Prayer**

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 sins, as we forgive those who sin against us; and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever.  
**Amen.**

#### **Prayer Response**

“Alleluia”

Musical setting by Jacques Berthier

#### **\*Hymn**

“Let All Things Now Living”

#37

#### **\*Benediction**

**\*Benediction Response/Postlude** “My Country ‘Tis of Thee”

Text by Samuel Francis Smith



#### ***FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH STAFF***

*PASTOR: Rev. Dr. Timothy J. Luoma*

*DIRECTOR OF MUSIC: Dr. Adrian Carr*

*CLERK OF SESSION: Judy Bunnell*

*MODERATOR OF DEACONS: Connie Harrica*

*ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT: Sadie Prinsen*

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## **The First Presbyterian Church**

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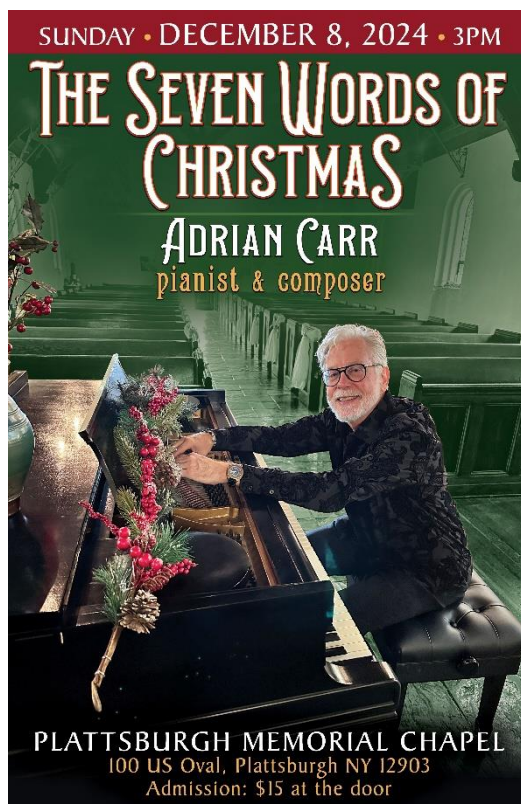
## Happy Birthday!

Howard Black	12/5	Kaley DuBrey	12/6
Michelle McKinnon	12/6	Richard Cantwell	12/13
Rebecca Amorelli	12/16	Kristine Cantwell	12/18
Alexander Wilson	12/21	Sally McSweeney	12/27
Douglas Walker	12/27	Judith Judge	12/28
Elizabeth Lawless	12/29		

## Miracle on Margaret Street

Downtown Plattsburgh is getting into the holiday spirit, and our church is no exception! On December 7<sup>th</sup>, there will be events going on through the afternoon and evening downtown and here at the church.

We will have the Presbyterian Women's Community Bake Sale from noon to 3pm in Fellowship Hall, our Second Annual Carol Sing at 3pm in the Sanctuary, and the E-team's Hot Chocolate Giveaway from 5pm to 7pm in Fellowship Hall. We hope you will join us to ring in the holiday season!



# *First Presbyterian Church of Plattsburgh*

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## **PRAYER FAMILIES FOR THE WEEK of November 24<sup>th</sup>, 2024**

Deb Donahue  
Adele Douglas  
Mark & Cynthia DuBrey  
Gil & Judy Duken

Peg and Jack Myers  
John Mazur  
Stuart Voss  
Family of Mary Coffin

## **PRAYER CONCERNS**

Matt Burgin and family  
Barbara Thompson  
Bev Demers  
Family of Caroline Dawson  
Family of Bette Siegel

**This Sunday we thank:**

**WORSHIP LEADER:** Sally Meisenheimer

**USHERS:** Alan & Jennie Booth

**FELLOWSHIP:**

**ZOOM COORDINATOR:** Jim Snook

### **Worship Leaders**

Dec 1- Carla Hausrath  
Dec 8- Anne Bailey

### **Ushers**

Dec 1- Judy Bunnell & Anne Bailey  
Dec 8- Julie Brunell & ???

### **Fellowship Time**

Dec 1- Dianne & Morris Root  
Dec 8- Y&E Advent Potluck

### **Zoom Coordinators**

Dec 1- Carl Payne  
Dec 8- Jennie Booth

### **Bible Study**

Bible Study will be meeting in the Memorial Room on Tuesdays at 10:30am. Each week, they will be looking at the readings for the week. This week they will be looking at Psalm 25:1-10 and Luke 21:25-36. New participants are always welcome!

### **Yoga Classes: Calming the Chaos in the Mind**

The final class of the E-Team's three-part yoga series with Heather Bennett: *Calming Chaos in the Mind* is tomorrow night from 5pm to 6pm in Fellowship Hall. Join us tomorrow evening to calm the chaos in your mind through meditation and yoga!

### **Community Bake Sale**

Saturday, December 7<sup>th</sup>, we will be hosting once again a Community Bake Sale from Noon to 3pm. There are many ways to volunteer to help out, not only making the baked goods, fudge, and preserves (which we will happily accept, of course!), but with calling people to request donation of goods, set-up and accepting donations Friday afternoon and Saturday morning, to work the bake sale, and clean up on Saturday after the bake sale has ended.

### **Plattsburgh Interfaith Council's Community Thanksgiving Service**

The Interfaith Council has set *today*, Sunday, November 24<sup>th</sup> for the Community Thanksgiving service. It will be held at 2pm at Temple Beth Israel. Monetary offering or non-perishable food items welcomed to support the Plattsburgh Interfaith Food Shelf.

### **Giving Statements**

Giving Statements through October 31<sup>st</sup> are available at the back of the sanctuary. Please pick them up by *tomorrow*, November 25<sup>th</sup>. Please contact the church office if you have any questions regarding your statement.

### **Advent Festival Potluck**

There will be a potluck luncheon on Sunday, December 8<sup>th</sup> after worship, so bring a main dish, side dish, salad, or dessert to share. There will be a hot chocolate bar and an opportunity to make Christmas cards to accompany the poinsettias the Deacons bring to shut-ins and other festive activities of the season.

### **Advent Devotionals**

Daily Advent Devotionals are available in the Sanctuary. These are the complete guides for December 1<sup>st</sup> through 25<sup>th</sup>, as opposed to the weekly ones made available in previous years.

**The E-Team will be meeting today, November 24<sup>th</sup> after worship service at 11:15 in the Memorial Room.**

**The church office will be closing at 12:30pm on November 27<sup>th</sup> and be closed on November 28<sup>th</sup> in observance of Thanksgiving.** The office will resume normal business hours on Monday, December 2<sup>nd</sup>. We hope you have a Happy Thanksgiving!

<b>Sunday, Nov 24:</b>	9:00 am	Adult Church School
	9:00 am	Choir Rehearsal
	10:00 am	Worship Service
	11:15 am	E-Team Meeting
<b>Monday, Nov 25:</b>	5:00 pm	Yoga Class
<b>Tuesday, Nov 26:</b>	9:30 am	Staff Meeting
	10:30 am	Bible Study
	Noon	AA Meeting
<b>Wednesday, Nov 27:</b>	1:30pm	Parkinsons Support Group
	7:00pm	Plattsburgh Table Tennis
<b>Thursday, Nov 28:</b>	Noon	AA Meeting
<b>Sunday, Dec 1:</b>	9:00 am	Adult Church School
	9:00 am	Choir Rehearsal
	10:00 am	Worship Service