

Merry Christmas from the staff at
Southminster Presbyterian Church

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Please join us for Worship next Sunday at 9:30 am. Most weeks,
we worship at 9:30 am. The second Saturday of each month we
worship at 5:00 pm.

Please visit www.spcboise.org for more information about our
schedule and other ministries.

PARTICIPATING IN WORSHIP

December 24th

Preaching: Marci Glass

5pm

Liturgist: Kiran Spees

Greeter: Genny Crume

Ushers: Denise Smithers

Ian Bott

Jim & Leila Inlow

Advent Reader: Dave & Lori Stokes

7pm

Liturgist: Lisa Baker

Greeter: Kristy Wymond

Ushers: Ron & Elia Baker

Juno Van Ocker

Robert Hamilton

Advent Reader:

Michelle Green, Alex Schloss

CHRISTMAS EVE



December 24, 2019

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An open and affirming community, celebrating God's love for all
by seeking a caring and just society: there is a place for you here.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

PRELUDE

7PM CHOIR INTROIT

PRAYER OF ADORATION

*5PM HYMN 115

Vs 1 & 2

*7PM HYMN 133

*CALL TO WORSHIP ~ FIRST COMING BY MADELEINE L'ENGLE

GOD DID NOT WAIT TILL THE WORLD WAS READY, 'TIL THE NATIONS WERE AT PEACE.

GOD CAME WHEN THE HEAVENS WERE UNSTEADY, AND PRISONERS CRIED OUT FOR RELEASE.

GOD DID NOT WAIT FOR THE PERFECT TIME. GOD CAME WHEN THE NEED WAS DEEP AND GREAT.

GOD DINED WITH SINNERS IN ALL THEIR GRIME, TURNED WATER INTO WINE. GOD DID NOT WAIT 'TIL HEARTS WERE PURE.

IN JOY GOD CAME TO A TARNISHED WORLD OF SIN AND DOUBT.

TO A WORLD LIKE OURS OF ANGUISHED SHAME GOD CAME, AND GOD'S LIGHT WOULD NOT GO OUT.

GOD CAME TO A WORLD WHICH DID NOT MESH, TO HEAL ITS TANGLES, SHIELD ITS SCORN.

IN THE MYSTERY OF WORD MADE FLESH THE MAKER OF THE STARS WAS BORN.

WE CANNOT WAIT 'TIL THE WORLD IS SANE TO RAISE OUR SONGS WITH JOYFUL VOICE, FOR TO SHARE OUR GRIEF, TO TOUCH OUR PAIN,

GOD CAME WITH LOVE: REJOICE! REJOICE!

CHOIR ANTHEM~7PM

LIGHTING OF ADVENT WREATH

...Every year we light our candles.

We watch the flames flicker with wonder.

God's light is here.

This light is life for all people.

The darkness will never overcome it.

(Light the Christ candle.)

The Word is with us. Thanks be to God.

*HYMN 110

JESUS IS BORN IN BETHLEHEM

*HYMN 121

Vs 1 & 2

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

AT THIS TIME, INFANTS AND TODDLERS ARE INVITED TO EITHER REMAIN IN WORSHIP OR TO GO UPSTAIRS TO OUR NURSERY

CAROL ARRANGEMENTS

PEACE, PEACE

-RICK & SYLVIA POWELL

STILLE NACHT

-JOSEPH MOHR, FRANZ

AWAY IN A MANGER

O COME ALL YE FAITHFUL

INFANT HOLY, INFANT LOWLY

-POLISH CAROL

LOVE HAS COME

LUKE 2:1-7

O LITTLE TOWN OF BETHLEHEM

*HYMN 119

THE ANGELS APPEAR TO THE SHEPHERDS

SPECIAL MUSIC 5PM

CHOIR ANTHEM 7PM

MEDITATION

*HYMN 145

OFFERING/OFFERTORY

*DOXOLOGY

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION (IN UNISON)

GIVE US, O GOD, SUCH LOVE AND WONDER THAT WITH SHEPHERDS AND MAGI, AND PILGRIMS UNKNOWN, WE MAY COME TO ADORE THE HOLY CHILD, THE PROMISED ONE. WITH OUR GIFTS WE WORSHIP JESUS BORN IN BETHLEHEM, AND CHRIST WHO REIGNS WITH YOU AND RULES IN OUR HEARTS. AS YOU CAME AT NIGHT WHEN ALL WAS STILL, SO ENTER OUR LIVES THIS NIGHT. ILLUMINE OUR PATHS WITH THE LIGHT OF CHRIST'S PRESENCE, THAT WE MAY CLEARLY SEE THE WAY BEFORE US, AND BEAR WITNESS TO YOUR LOVE FOR THE WORLD. AMEN.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND 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 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.

*CANDLELIGHT CAROL 122

(CANDLES WILL BE LIT DURING THE HYMN. USHERS WILL BRING THE CANDLE LIGHT TO EACH ROW.
PLEASE TIP THE UNLIT CANDLE TO LIGHT SO THE LIT CANDLES CAN REMAIN UPRIGHT - AND NOT LEAK HOT WAX.)

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

HARK! THE HERALD ANGELS SING

LUKE 2:8-20

MASTERS IN THIS HALL

ARR. BY KIRAN SPEES

O HOLY NIGHT

-ARR. BY JAY ALTHOUSE

WHAT CHILD IS THIS

IN THE BLEAK MIDWINTER

-ARR. D. LASKY

"JOY TO THE WORLD"

JOY TO THE WORLD! THE LORD IS COME:

LET EARTH RECEIVE HER KING;

LET EVERY HEART PREPARE HIM ROOM,

AND HEAVEN AND NATURE SING,

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FUGUE ON GOOD KING WENCESLAS

-C. UHLEN