

HEARING AIDS, LARGE PRINT BULLETINS & BIBLES AVAILABLE FROM USHERS. SANCTUARY IS EQUIPPED WITH T-LOOP -- SET HEARING AID TO "T" POSITION.

THOSE ASSISTING THIS MORNING - Reflection: Mihee Kim-Kort; Liturgists: Andrew Kort, Betsy Stewart.

PRAYERS - are with the family of Marita Daniels, who died December 21.

STAFF NEWS - Miss Good is on vacation December 30 through January 4. The church is closed Monday, December 27 and Monday, January 3.

CHANCEL ROSES - Given by Jim & Ellen Reinig in honor of the baptism of their grandchildren.

WINTER RELIEF - Again with St. Anne's, FPC will host homeless men February 14-21 in Fellowship Hall (this year, only 8 vaccinated men). Volunteer instructions will be forthcoming. In addition to our host week, Winter Relief organizer Arundel House of Hope needs 50 bag lunches daily for homeless residents at the Red Roof Inn **beginning the first week of January**. To help, visit <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0f4fa5a823a0face9-alternative3> or the church homepage (www.annapolis-presbyterian.com) for the link.

CALENDAR

Date	Church	Community
Mon 12/27	CHURCH CLOSED	7:30 AA (FH)
	1:30 Antiracism Team	Noon AA (FH)
	3:00 Youth Light House Dinner (kitchen)	8:00 AA (FH)
Wed 12/29	8:45 FoodShare (Whole Foods)	7:30 AA (FH)
	11:00 Staff (KC4a)	Noon AA (FH)
	7:00 College Youth Dinner (Miller home)	
Thurs 12/30		7:30 AA (FH)
		Noon AA (FH)
Sun 1/2	CELEBRATE EPIPHANY	
	8:30 Worship (sanctuary)	
	9:30 Education Hour	
	10:30 Coffee Hour (FH); Choir Warm-Up (music)	
	11:00 Worship (sanctuary)	

First Presbyterian Church of Annapolis, Maryland

December 26, 2021 – 10:00 am Worship

First Sunday of Christmas



GATHERING AROUND GOD'S WORD

✦ Please rise in body or in spirit. **Bold** in unison.

Services are live-streamed, recorded, and posted on the website.

At the ringing of the church bells, the congregation is invited to quiet their hearts & minds.

PRELUDE - *Variations sur un Noël, Op. 20*

Marcel Dupré

WELCOME

(Please complete and pass greeter pads down the pew and back again.)

CALL TO WORSHIP

Let us praise the name of the Lord! God commanded and we were created.

Leaders and followers, old and young, all of God's beloved children, all people everywhere as with the angels, let us come and praise the exalted name of the Lord.

Come, let us worship God!

✦ **HYMN 143** - *Angels, from the Realms of Glory*

REGENT SQUARE

PREPARING FOR GOD'S WORD

✦ **PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Holy God, though we are in awe of the dawn of your light in Jesus Christ, we remain self-centered and cling to the sin of the world. We celebrate the birth of our savior, yet we struggle in our commitment to follow him. We are called to pursue justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with you; yet we are content to seek our own comfort and conveniently ignore the cries of those in need. By the light of the Christ child, lead us on a path of goodness and righteousness, as we seek to love all of your bountiful creation.

✦ **DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS**

We are God's chosen ones, holy and beloved.

The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting.

Know that we are forgiven and be at peace. Amen.

✦ **HYMN 140, VS. 1, 4** - *Once in Royal David's City*

IRBY

PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

FIRST SCRIPTURE - Psalm 148

ANTHEM - *I Wonder As I Wander*

John Jacob Niles

I wonder as I wander out under the sky, How Jesus the Savior did come for to die. For poor on'ry people like you and like I... I wonder as I wander out under the sky.

When Mary birthed Jesus 'twas in a cow's stall, With wise men and farmers and shepherds and all. But high from God's heaven a star's light did fall, And the promise of ages it then did recall.

If Jesus had wanted for any wee thing, A star in the sky, or a bird on the wing, Or all of God's angels in heav'n for to sing, He surely could have it, 'cause he was the King.

SECOND SCRIPTURE - Luke 2:41-52

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

REFLECTION - "Christmas Treasures"

✦ **HYMN 110** - *Love Has Come*

BRING A TORCH

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM - (see insert)

PRESENTATION OF GIFTS AND OFFERINGS

(Gifts may be made by offering plate or www.annapolis-presbyterian.com/GIVE)

OFFERTORY - *What Child Is This*

Old English melody

✦ **DOXOLOGY 606** - *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*

OLD HUNDRETH

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow. Praise God, all creatures here below.

Praise God above, ye heavenly host. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

✦ **PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

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.

✦ **HYMN 119** - *Hark! the Herald Angels Sing*

MENDELSSOHN

✦ **BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE - *Dieu parmi nous ("God Among Us")*

Olivier Messiaen

At the conclusion of worship, you are invited to take a plant to a friend, loved one, or neighbor in need. Deacons will also deliver to homebound members.

LOOKING AHEAD IN WORSHIP

Sunday, January 2, 2022 - 2nd Sunday of Christmas

Rev. Andy will preach, Epiphany celebrated and communion served. Betsy Stewart and Karen Smith will serve as liturgists.

Sunday, January 9 - Baptism of the Lord; Worship at 8:30 am, 11:00 am, 5:00 pm

Rev. Mihee will preach, with Maggie Leffler and Jesko Hagee as liturgists. Anna Louise, daughter of Bill & Christy Martin will be baptized at 11:00 am. Then, 2nd@5 in Fellowship Hall for this "come-as-you-are" service at 5:00 pm on the second Sunday of each month.

Rev. Dr. Andrew Kort & Rev. Mihee Kim-Kort, Co-Pastors

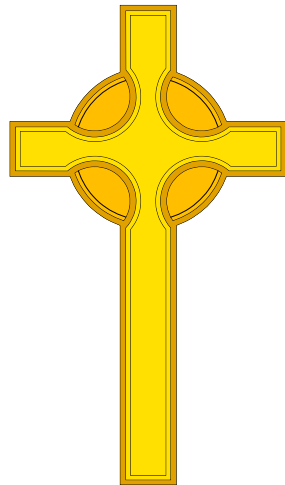
**Miss Good, Family Ministry Director / Jill Woodward, Music Director / Grace Oh, Organist
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**Partner with the Caibarién congregation of the Presbyterian and Reformed Church of Cuba
The National Naval Memorial of the PC(USA) / An Earth Care Congregation of the PC(USA)**

**Partner with Evangelical Church of the Czech Brethren, Czech Republic
Covenant Church with the Haiti Restoration Partnership**

The Sacrament of Baptism
Sunday, December 26, 2021
10:00 am

Elsie Grace Emery &
Pierce Bradford Emery
Children of Ann & Scott Emery



First Presbyterian Church
Annapolis, Maryland

PRESENTATION OF THE CANDIDATE

Hymn 482, vs. 1, 2 - *Baptized in Water*

BUNESSAN

*Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit, cleansed by the blood of Christ our King;
heirs of salvation, trusting the promise, faithfully now God's praises we sing.
Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit, dead in the tomb with Christ our King;
one with his rising, freed and forgiven, thankfully now God's praises we sing.*

Lighting of the Candles

Scripture

Questions to Parents, Children and Congregation

✠ **PROFESSION OF FAITH**

Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord;
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried;
he descended into hell;
the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic church;
the communion of saints;
the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body;
and the life everlasting.
Amen.

PRAYER

THE BAPTISM - *Elsie Grace, Pierce Bradford*

✠ **HYMN 482, vs. 3** - *Baptized in Water*

BUNESSAN

*Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit, marked with the sign of Christ our King;
born of the Spirit, we are God's children; joyfully now God's praises we sing.*