



WORSHIP

Chapel



December 22, 2024 – Fourth Sunday of Advent

GATHERING MUSIC

Come Thou Long Expected Jesus

Hymnal # 82

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

WELCOME

Alex Barnes, M.Div.

ADVENT CANDLE LIGHTING

The Cummings Family

SONG OF PRAISE

Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee

Hymnal # 611

SONG OF PREPARATION

Come Down, O Love Divine

Hymnal # 282

CALL TO CONFESSION

Rev. Nicole Chapman-Farley

CONFESSION OF SIN

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

SONG OF RESPONSE

Beautiful Things

GUNGOR

PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

SESSION REPORT

Elder Liz White

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Grace & Claire Cummings

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

Micah 5:2-5a

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 1:39-55

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

ENCOUNTER WITH THE WORD

MEDITATION

Magnifying the Lord

Alex Barnes, M. Div.

SONG OF AFFIRMATION

Canticle of the Turning

Hymnal # 100

OFFERING OUR LIVES AND RESOURCES

OFFERTORY SONG

Come, Light Our Hearts

SANDRA MCCRACKEN

DEDICATION PRAYER

TABLE TALK

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & LORD'S PRAYER

SONG OF SENDING

Come, Join in Mary's Prophet Song

KINGSFOLD

THE CHARGE AND BLESSING

POSTLUDE

Community Notes

Learn more in our online *Parish Life* newsletter at www.firstpreslibertyville.org

The flowers today in the sanctuary are placed to the glory of God by the Frazier family in memory of Charlotte A. Frazier whose heavenly birthday is on Christmas Day; and in the chapel by Dave and Beth Semmelman in celebration of the birth of grandson, Eli Hugo Semmelman Baseman on November 27, 2024.

Christmas Eve Worship on Dec. 24: Join us for Christmas Eve Worship in the Sanctuary. Our Family Service will be at 4 PM, followed by traditional Candlelight Services at 7 and 10 PM.

Year End Giving: As we near the end of the year, we encourage you to review your 2024 Pledge Commitment and ensure it is fulfilled. We extend our sincere thanks to those who have already completed their pledge.

Per Capita Payments: The church pays a fixed sum per person to support the General Assembly, Synod, and Presbytery. We were recently notified that the amount is being increased for 2025, which you'll see reflected on your statement as \$38 per church member. Thank you for your support.

Job Openings: We are currently seeking a Chapel Music Director and an Office Manager/Executive Assistant to the Pastor. Full job descriptions are available at www.firstpreslibertyville.org.

David Edelfelt Concert on Jan. 3: Looking for a fun, sophisticated and inspiring way to start 2025? Join David Edelfelt on Friday, Jan. 3 at 7:30 PM in the chapel for an eclectic evening of music celebrating the joy of new starts!

Game Night & Chili Cook-Off on Jan. 5: Join us on Jan. 5 from 4:30-6:30 PM in Fellowship Hall for an all ages game night and chili competition dinner. We'll have board games for all ages and you are invited to bring your favorite, too! Dinner will be served at 5:45 PM. All chili chefs interested in entering the competition should contact Rev. Nicole at nchapman-farley@boxp.net by December 22. We're offering four competition categories: traditional *with* beans, traditional *without* beans, hot, and non-traditional.

Inquirers Class on Jan. 17 & 18: If you've been worshipping with us and are thinking of becoming a member of First Pres Libertyville, we invite you to attend our Inquirers Class to discover more about our church and how we are joined together by God's love. We hold Inquirers Classes on an as needed basis, generally two to three times per year. Our next class will be held Friday, Jan. 17 from 6:45 -8:45 PM and Saturday, Jan. 18 from 9:00-11:30 AM. Give us a call at 847-362-2174, fill out the Interest Form online, or email us at office@boxp.net.

Open Mic Coffee House on Jan. 26 from 4-5:30 PM: Come for fellowship, fun, and to share your talents with our youth group and congregation! We will be taking a free-will offering that will go towards SHF's summer retreat to Montreat and JHF's summer retreat to Quest.