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Sermon Notes

Those Who Draw Near... Angels

Luke 2:13-14

To find notes and discussion questions on this week's and previous week's sermons, click on the QR code to the right or go to firstprotestant.com/sermon-study/.
New material posted weekly, at noon on Monday.



THOSE WHO DRAW NEAR

CHRISTMAS AT FIRST PROTESTANT CHURCH

DEC 1ST: "ANGELS" (LUKE 2:13-14)
DEC 8TH: "SHEPHERDS" (LUKE 2:15)
DEC 15TH: "THE HOLY FAMILY" (LUKE 2:16)
DEC 22ND: "ANIMALS" (LUKE 2:16)
DEC 24TH: "JESUS THE MESSIAH" (LUKE 2:10-12)
DEC 25TH: "ALL WHO HEAR" (LUKE 2:18)

Prelude
"In the Bleak Midwinter" arr. C. Harmon and T. Roberts
Stewart Pickard, trumpet

Welcome - Pastor Andrew Keuer

Lighting of the Advent Candle of HOPE

Call to Worship
"Hark! The Glad Sound! The Savior Comes"
from The Whole Booke of Psalmes, 1621

* **Hymn (#169)** "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel"

Gloria Patri "Kyrie" from Mass of St. Timothy by M. Maher
The congregation should echo the cantor on the phrase
"Kyrie Eleison and "Christe Eleison"

Service of Prayer - Mark Stitzel

Scripture Reading - Luke 2:13-14 - Edie Burquest

Anthem
"Joseph Dearest, Joseph Mine" arr. J. Kingsbury
Featuring Maria St. Clair, mezzo-soprano & Ray Elbel, baritone

Sermon - Pastor Andrew Keuer
"Those Who Draw Near: Angels"

Offertory
"The Lord's Prayer" by H. Malotte - Carey Dietert, tenor

* **Doxology (#171)** "Joy to the World" vs 1

* **Prayer of Thanksgiving**

* **Apostles' Creed**
I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, His only begotten Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, 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 at the right hand of God the Father, Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the One Holy Universal Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body and life everlasting. Amen.

Invitation and Communion at the Lord's Table

Service of Communion
"Coventry Carol" arr. S. DeCesare &
"Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming" arr. R. Walters
Stewart Pickard, trumpet

Prayer and Lord's Prayer
Using debts and debtors

* **Hymn (#168)** "Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus"

Blessing

Postlude

* Denotes to please stand, if able

ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

TODAY 12:00 NOON SANCTUARY



FIRST PROTESTANT CHURCH OF NEW BRAUNFELS

FOR MORE INFORMATION VISIT
firstprotestant.com/annual-meeting

CHRISTMAS BAGS ARE READY

COME BY SCHUMANN HALL TODAY AFTER THE SERVICES AND PICK UP THE BAGS YOU CAN HELP DELIVER!

SEE JANICE, OUR DIRECTOR OF LAY MINISTRY AT THE TABLE AS YOU SIGN UP TO DELIVER.

FPC MISSION BOARD PRESENTS

MISSIONARY ANGEL TREE

FIND THE ANGEL TREE IN SCHUMANN HALL OR NEAR THE ENTRANCE OF THE SANCTUARY AND CHOOSE A PRE-ADDRESSED CARD TO A MISSIONARY ADD A FAMILY PICTURE, A NOTE, A PRAYER & A STAMP.

THAT'S ALL IT TAKES!

HELP US BLESS OUR MISSIONARIES THIS CHRISTMAS.

POINSETTIA ORDER FORM

HELP BEAUTIFY OUR SANCTUARY DURING THE CHRISTMAS SEASON!



WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP IS OFFERING POINSETTIAS FOR CHRISTMAS YOU CAN ORDER A PLANT IN MEMORY OR IN HONOR OF SOMEONE. THESE FLOWERS WILL BE PLACED IN THE SANCTUARY THROUGH DECEMBER AND CAN BE PICKED UP AFTER CHRISTMAS.

I WOULD LIKE TO ORDER _____ POINSETTIAS AT \$15 EACH

IN HONOR OF: _____

IN MEMORY OF: _____

GIVEN BY: _____

- PLEASE PRINT ALL INFORMATION LEGIBLY.
- RETURN THIS FORM VIA THE OFFERING OR TO THE CHURCH OFFICE WITH YOUR PAYMENT.
- RETURN FORM BY DECEMBER 17TH

Looking Ahead

12/3 Tuesday AM Women's Bible Study - Church Office 10:00am
 12/4 Flying Fingers - Heritage House 9:00 am
 Wednesday Family Night (see below)

WEDNESDAY FAMILY NIGHTS @ FIRST PROTESTANT CHURCH

THERE'S A PLACE FOR YOU



5:00 - 6:00 DINNER (\$5 DONATION)
 5:30 - 6:15 YOUTH BAND PRACTICE
 6:15 - 6:30 GATHERING IN SCHUMANN HALL
 6:00 - 7:00 HANDBELL PRACTICE PROGRAMS
 6:30 - 7:30 CHILDREN'S MINISTRY IN THE WELL
 YOUTH IN THE BORMANN ROOM
 PASTOR'S STUDY IN THE CHAPEL
 7:00 - 8:00 CHOIR PRACTICE

FIRST PROTESTANT YOUTH
CHRISTMAS Party
 12/4/2024
 5:30-7:30 PM
 More details to follow.

FOOD
 GIFTS
 GAMES

First Protestant Church WASSAILFEST 2024 THURSDAY, DEC. 5TH



MUSICAL PERFORMANCES ON THE FRONT PORCH

PUBLIC PARKING - \$10
 HISTORIC CHURCH TOURS
 CHRISTMAS PHOTO OP
 JOIN US ON THE FRONT LAWN

WASSAIL STOP
 FOOD TRUCK
 OUTDOOR SEATING

FIRST PROTESTANT CHURCH
COLL STREET PLAYERS
 DECEMBER 12-15

the Best Christmas Pageant Ever

TICKETS ON SALE IN SCHUMANN HALL BETWEEN SERVICES

Participate in our **Nativity Pageant!**

For unto us a child is born!

First Protestant Church & School
 Rehearsals: Dec. 8, Dec. 15 @ 11am
 ATTENDANCE REQUIRED
 Performance: Dec. 22 at 11am
 Contact Kirsten Boyd

FIRST PROTESTANT CHURCH OF NEW BRAUNFELS

SUNDAY, DEC. 22, 2024
 LESSONS AND CAROLS 9:30 AM
 "HANDELS MESSIAH"
 NATIVITY PAGEANT 11:00 AM

CHRISTMAS DAY, DEC. 25, 2024
 FAMILY SERVICE 10:00AM

SUNDAY, DEC. 29, 2024
 COMBINED FAMILY SERVICE 10:00AM

CHRISTMAS EVE | TUESDAY, DEC. 24, 2024
 CANDLELIGHT SERVICES 3:30PM, 5:30PM, & 7:30 PM
 LIVE NATIVITY 4:30 PM

SUNDAY, JAN. 5, 2025
 EPIPHANY PAGEANT 9:30AM & 11:00AM

Sunday School

Sundays, 9:30am Adult Sunday School Classes
 The River Rats! (Heritage House, 1st floor) - Rodney Fischer
Sundays, 9:30am Youth Sunday School Classes
 Middle School (Bormann Room) Jodi Butler
 High School (Bormann Room) Adam Burroughs

Sundays, 11:00am Adult Sunday School Classes
 Faithful Servants (Heritage House upstairs) – Lynn Herr
 Legacy Builders (Heritage House main level) – Celeste Salge
 Kingdom Seekers/C.A.L.M. Class (Heritage House upstairs)
 Wayne Wise, Chris and Kristi Beabout
 Young Family Class (Heritage House) - Dustin Williams and Nick Allen

Mid Week Groups

Band of Brothers (B.o.B.s) – Steve Stillman 512-797-9017
 The B.o.B's meet on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month. Open to men of all ages, 6:30-8:00PM in the Well at FPC. No bible experience necessary. Please join us.

Tuesday AM Women's Bible Study - Kaye Polston 214-616-9608
 The Women's Bible Study is a diverse group of all ages and denominations. We meet every Tues. morning at 10 am in the church office. We welcome all women to join as we seek to expand our faith and knowledge.

Tuesday Evening Women's Bible Study - Sue Saur 830-708-0302

Flying Fingers (Heritage House) - Sally Voges 830-708-8707
 Wednesday mornings at 9:00 for a time of sewing, quilting, fellowship & more! Contact Sally Voges for more info.

Home Groups

Susan and Tim Thomas - Wednesdays, 6:30 pm timcthomas84@gmail.com

Today

This week's radio broadcast is sponsored in loving memory of Elton Specht, given by his wife and family.

Altar flowers are placed in honor of Mae Kraft & Jeanette Dietert for their birthday on December 3rd. Given by their families.

*Our 9:30 & 11:00 am services are Live Streamed on firstprotestant.com The 9:30 am service is rebroadcast on a week delay at 10:30 am Sunday mornings on AM1420 and 103.1FM.
 If you would like to sponsor a broadcast, Please contact the church office. 830-609-PRAY*

There are available dates for flower acknowledgement in 2025. Check the flower calendar in Schumann Hall or email office@firstprotestant.com for more info and availability

December 1, 2024 First Service First Sunday of Advent - 9:30 AM



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