



*It Began
In Bethlehem*

December 24, 2025 - Christmas Eve
5:30pm & 11:00pm
ST.ANDREWS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
DUNEDIN, FLORIDA



WORSHIP NOTES PAGE

A WORD TO OUR GUESTS

Welcome!

We're glad you are here. We know you have many choices of what to do with your time. We are happy that you chose to spend it with us this evening. We want you to know that in order to make this the best possible experience for you...

We will go out of our way to:

- Be clear about Jesus. Present as clear a picture as we can of the positive, hopeful, life-changing message of Jesus Christ.
- Make sure you feel welcome. Our commitment is to make sure you feel accepted, valued and never judged.
- Make what you wear a non-issue. You are dressed perfectly. Jesus cares about you, not your clothes. We feel the same way.
- Let you be anonymous. We won't single you out or make you feel awkward. We'll introduce ourselves, but not be pushy.
- Talk in words that make sense, and if we use special words, we'll carefully explain them.
- Not pressure you to give. No guilt. Believe it or not, we don't care whether you give money. You are our welcome guest today.
- Take care of your children. We are as nuts about the safety and care of your children as we are about Jesus.
- Love you. Even if we don't know you yet, we know God loves you and, therefore, so do we.

Be sure to stop by the Welcome Center.
We have a gift and a warm welcome for you.

CHRISTMAS EVE 2025

CONTEMPORARY SERVICE 5:30 P.M.

MUSIC

Drums and stringed instruments are mentioned in the Bible, and we use them freely in this service. The emphasis is on celebration and great joy.

MESSAGE

God is at work in this world and speaks to us through his Word written and spoken. Through the Scriptures, the Spirit of God works to convict and convert hearts and build up the faith of believers.

VIDEO & WELCOME

Rev. Dr. David Hunsicker, Jr.

ADVENT CANDLE LIGHTING – CHRIST

Mark and Kelli Edwards

PRAISE BAND SONGS

*O Come All Ye Faithful * Holy Forever * O Holy Night*

CALL FOR OFFERING

Rev. Dr. David Hunsicker, Jr.

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.

SERMON

Rev. Dr. David Hunsicker, Jr.

Title: It Began in Bethlehem

Text: Luke 2:1-21

Theme: God's radical rescue plan for humanity began in Bethlehem and continues to spread to the ends of the earth even today.

CHILDREN

Children will remain with the parents throughout the service.

SERVICE OF CANDLELIGHTING

"Silent Night, Holy Night" (Words available on back of bulletin) - Recess outside

CHARGE & BENDICTION - Outside at the bottom of the steps.



'Tis the Season to **REMEMBER**

2025 Poinsettias Given
"To Honor" or "In Memory Of"
Loved Ones

Dodi Andersen*

Mary Ann Beall

Jeannine Beebe*

Phyllis Bowles*

Phyllis Bowles

Amanda Bowman*

Amanda Bowman*

Amanda Bowman*

Amanda Bowman*

Norwood Cardozo*

Nona Carter

Brian Caudill

Sue Dela Rosa

Sue Dela Rosa

Bill & Charlotte Douglas*

Bill & Charlotte Douglas*

Mark & Kelli Edwards

Mark & Kelli Edwards

Mark & Kelli Edwards*

The Fiegle Family*

The Fiegle Family*

The Fiegle Family*

Maryellen Ford-Elliott*

Ken Giesow*

Ken Giesow

Suzanne Gray

Suzanne Gray

Harmon-Green Home X4

In Memory of Mike Bowman, "A Friend To All"

In Memory of Mike Bowman, "A Friend To All"

In Memory of Loved Ones

In Memory of Carl Bowles - Loving Father,
Grandfather & Great Grandfather

In Memory of My loving Husband, Mike Bowman

In Memory of William Carter, Sr.

In Memory of Jerry & Dororthy, We Love You

In Memory of Taryn Carter, We Love You

In Memory of Sue Cardozo

In Memory of My Mother, Sallie Wilson

In Memory of Betty Carter

In Memory of Bill Sharp

In Memory of Ann Reynolds

In Memory of J. Ben Harrill

In Memory of Dorothy Harrill

In Memory of Poppy Brown

In Memory of Gram J.

In Memory of Poppy Brown & Gram J.

In Loving Memory of John Fiegle

In Loving Memory of Andrew Fiegle

In Loving Memory of Bill & Janet Ferger

In Memory of Bill Ford - Always Loved, Never Forgotten

In Memory of Enid Giesow

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In Memory of Family & Friends

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Tom & Judy Hilbert
Jeannie & John Hutchens*
Jeannie & John Hutchens
John Kagay*
John Kagay*
Elisabeth Lawson
Elisabeth Lawson
John Mayeux
Robert & Joan McDonald
Fred & Barbara Michael*
Fred & Barbara Michael*
John Miller*
John Miller*
Sheryl Powers
Janice Raymond*
Janice Raymond*
Christine Schlerf*
Christine Schlerf*
Dorothy Storm
The Strazzere Family
Don & Vickie Taylor
Don & Vickie Taylor
Lu Taylor
Lu Taylor
Jim Throne
Vince Verderosa
Edie Wiseman*
Edie Wiseman*
Edie Wiseman
Edie Wiseman
Janice Wisinski & Tom Rivera*
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In Memory of Our Parents, Family & Friends
In Memory of Bill & Carol Ullman
In Memory of George Hutchens
In Memory of Marcia Kagay
In Memory of Merced Smith
In Memory of My Dear Husband & Son Rene'
In Memory of My Loving Son, Rene'
In Memory of My Mother
In Memory of Maria & Mary
In Honor of Fred & Barbara Michael
In Honor of Fred & Barbara Michael
In Honor of Doris Mann & Janice Miller
In Memory of Patti Snell & Jack Miller
In Memory of Isabel & Jim Cook
In Memory of Anson G. & Marian Raymond
In Memory of Anson G. Jr. & Bernice Raymond
In Memory of Barbara Schlerf
In Memory of Mary Simpson
In Memory of Her Son, I Love You
In Memory of Andrew Fallon
In Memory of Barbara Taylor
In Memory of Bill Barnes, Sr.
In Memory of Husband, Ken Edwards
In Memory of Brother, Dewey Keel
In Memory of Jean Throne
In Honor of Larry B. - Leadership, Mentor & Friend
In Memory of My Husband, Kelley
In Memory of Our Son, Kelley Francis
In Memory of Our Parents
In Memory of Our Parents
In Memory of Mr. & Mrs. Tomas Rivera
In Memory of Mr. & Mrs. Clinton Snyder

Call to Confession Rev. Dr. David Hunsicker, Jr.

Unison Prayer of Confession

Rev. Dr. David Hunsicker, Jr.

Emmanuel, you have given us a gift that we can never deserve. You do not ask us to be worthy. You do not ask us to earn your love. Yet the ways we have fallen short threaten to overtake us. But we know we can come to you, even on this holiest of nights, to seek the forgiveness you offer so freely, grateful for your mercy. Amen.

Declaration of Forgiveness

Rev. Dr. David Hunsicker, Jr.

Leader: The grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation to us all! With Christ's birth comes forgiveness and redemption. Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace among those whom God favors!

People: **Thanks be to God!**

Passing the Peace

Rev. Dr. David Hunsicker, Jr.

Leader: Since God has forgiven us in Christ, let us forgive one another. The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

People: **And also, with you.**

GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Elder Amanda Bowman

Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 9:2-7 - NIV
(Words will appear on the screen)

Elder Amanda Bowman

Choir Anthem

Some Children See Him
by Wihla Hutson & Alfred Burt
Edie Wiseman, soprano

Chancel Choir

New Testament Reading

Luke 2:1-21 - NIV
(Words will appear on the screen)

Rev. Dr. David Hunsicker, Jr.

Sermon

Rev. Dr. David Hunsicker, Jr.

Title: It Began in Bethlehem

Text: *Luke 2:1-21 - NIV*

Theme: God's radical rescue plan for humanity began in Bethlehem and continues to spread to the ends of the earth even today.

***Affirmation of Faith** - The Scots Confession, Ch. 4 Rev. Dr. David Hunsicker, Jr.
(Words will appear on the screen)

***Congregational Affirmation Response**

Gloria in Excelsis Deo, Gloria in Excelsis Deo.

Prayers of the People

Rev. Dr. David Hunsicker, Jr.

OUR RESPONSE

Call for Offering

Elder Amanda Bowman

Organ Offertory *O Hail This Brightest Day of Days* - J.S. Bach Mark Hunter

***Congregational Offering Response - #544**

*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 Dedication**

Elder Amanda Bowman

EUCCHARIST

***Communion Carol**

Joy to the World #134

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Rev. Dr. David Hunsicker, Jr.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord's Supper

Prayer after Communion & Lord's Prayer

Rev. Dr. David Hunsicker, Jr.

THE SERVICE OF CANDLELIGHTING

The Pastor lights a candle from the Christ Candle, and passes the light to the
congregation as they sing: "Silent Night, Holy Night"
(Words available on back of bulletin)

Recess Outside

Charge and Benediction

(Outside at the bottom of the steps.)

Rev. Dr. David Hunsicker, Jr.

Those With Special Needs

Janet Calve	Bo Perry
Bill Douglas	Greg Nichols
Mary Ann Beall	Ken Giesow
Donna Yates	Suzanne Plemmons
Patty Ingman	Don & Vickie Taylor
Barry Dowdy	Angie Castilejo-Rocha
Judy Hallford	Elizabeth Lawson
Jeannine Beebe	James & Carol Walker
Janice Wisinski	Betty Smay

Those Serving in the Military

Jeremy Roberson (Navy)
Sergio Castillejo (Coast Guard)
Trevor Grantham (Marines)

Those Who Grieve

The family of Diamondra Ramambason in the passing of her brother.

Those in the Hospital

Those Who Are in Homes, Assisted Living, Nursing Homes and Rehab Centers

Kay Hirst, *Lake Seminole Square*, Seminole
Sue Koutsourais, *The Gables Assisted Living*, Palm Harbor
Dee Nickels, *St. Marks Memory Care*, Palm Harbor
Louise Smith, *Coral Oaks Assisted Living*, Palm Harbor
Nancy Sullivan, *Grand Villa*, Clearwater

Out of the Area

Lu Anne Erskine, 2805 Atlantic Blvd. Vero Beach, FL 32960
Marjorie Krueger, Clare Bridge of Jacksonville, 1005 Old St. Augustine Rd,
Jacksonville, FL 32257
Pat Quinlan, Woodbury Senior Living, 7012 Lake Rd, Woodbury, MN 55125
Nancy Thomas, 5700 Williamsburg Landing Drive Apt. #316, Williamsburg, VA
23185

In addition, please pray for our church, the church universal, our community, our nation and our world, those in distressing circumstances, and those in authority.



Silent Night! Holy Night

Silent night! holy night!
All is calm, all is bright
round yon virgin mother and child,
holy infant so tender and mild,
sleep in heavenly peace;
sleep in heavenly peace.

Silent night! holy night!
Shepherds quake at the sight:
glories stream from heaven afar,
heavenly hosts sing "Alleluia"
Christ, the Saviour is born!
Christ, the Saviour is born!

Silent night! holy night!
Son of God, love's pure light
radiant beams from thy holy face,
with the dawn of redeeming grace,
Jesus, Lord, at thy birth,
Jesus, Lord, at thy birth.

Silent night! holy night!
Wondrous Star, lend thy light;
With the angels let us sing,
"Alleluia" to our King;
Christ, the Saviour is born!
Christ, the Saviour is born!



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