

Sermon

Advent 5 "Make Ready a People: #more life"

***Closing Hymn**

"Go Tell It On The Mountain"

GTG#136

The Mission to the Messengers

Sending

God gives us the vision,

so let us go to see others as our sisters and brothers.

Jesus gives us the eyes,

so let us look in all the unexpected places

to welcome all into our lives.

The Spirit calls us to watch,

so let us bear witness to the justice and joy

coming into our shattered world.

Let us turn toward the Candle of love
in the center of our sanctuary
and sing to one another the message
we must take to the world:

Benediction

Do not be afraid

Do not be afraid

Do not be afraid

Do not be afraid

Postlude

"On Christmas Day"

arr. Harris

You may follow the light out into the world



Angels Among Us

... experience hope,
peace, joy and love as
you prepare for the
birth of Christ

Advent 2021

First
Presbyterian
Church

Do Not Be Afraid
More Life

First Presbyterian Church

Rev. Dr. Elizabeth E. Broschart, Minister of Word and Sacrament

December 26, 2021

11 a.m.

Welcome! We are blessed to have you worship with us today!

**Please stand, if able, and remain standing*

THE COMMUNITY GATHERS AS THE PEOPLE OF GOD

Pre-Service Music

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude *“How Brightly Shines the Morning Star”* Pachelbel/Bish

Threshold Moment

“There Are Angels Among Us”
There are angels among us that may not meet the eye
There are messages of love coming from a choir on high
But don’t just look up
For the way God works
Is to plant more love right here on earth
Just like it was with Jesus birth
There are angels among us
There are angels among us
There are angels among us
Bringing love on earth
Do not be afraid
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Prayer

Holy Living God, Blessed Jesus, Guiding Spirit

Alight within us your flame of love this day

Grant us openness to hear your message

Grant us courage to be your messengers in the world,

Creating more hope in the midst of fear.

And with the angel messengers above us, among us and within us, we sing as we extend the peace of Christ by cupping our hands ...

Do not be afraid
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***Hymn** *“Love Came Down”* **GTG#110**

Story for Young Messengers Jackson Weller

***Hymn** *“Surely The Presence of the Lord”* **Screen**

Offering Prayer
God of life and possibility,
we offer these gifts so that they may be transformed into your good news
for the sake of the world. Amen.

Anthem *“Angels Watching Over Me”*
Traditional Spiritual and Welsh tunes, arr. Joel Raney

***Doxology**

Prayers of the People and the Lord’s Prayer (debt/debtors)

WE PROCLAIM GOD’S WORD

Scripture Matthew 2:1-23

Serving Today

Rev. Dr. Elizabeth Broschart	Minister of Word and Sacrament
Ashley Stanley-Robey	Interim Music Director
Patricia Howell	Interim Organist
C. B. Strange	Sound
Jackson Weller	Story for Young Messengers
Jackson Weller	Liturgist
David Clark	Security, Side door & Offering
Joyce Perez	Greeter
Harriet Beale & Joan Reynolds	Sunday School

*The flowers today are given in loving memory of our beloved
Marie Louise Crane
by the Handbell Choir, the Chancel Choir, and her church sisters.*

**The office will be closed Monday December 27th and open limited hours
Dec. 28th – 30th.**

We welcome you to First Presbyterian Church.
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