

Christmas Service

Welcome Terri Potter, PW Moderator

Prelude Hark! The Herald Angels Sing Jen Weier

arr. Carol Tornquist

Lighting of the Advent WreathAndrea Price, Honorary Life Member

Janis Kilgore, 2022-2023 PW Moderator

Opening Hymn* 116 The Snow Lay on the Ground

Introduction of Speaker Rev. Shannon Dill

Scripture Mark 13:24-37 Rev. Ann-Henley Nicholson

Special Music Angels from the Realms of Glory Festival Ringers

arr. D. Linda McKechnie

Message Knowing and Noticing Rev. Ann-Henley Nicholson

Offering Benefitting Presbyterian Homes of Georgia Caring Hands Fund

Becky Loftis

Special Music Angels' Carol Women's Ensemble

John Rutter

Lord's Supper Rev. Shannon Dill & Rev. Ann-Henley Nicholson

Prayer of Thanksgiving 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.

Communion Music Greensleeves

arr. Jim Brickman

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Litany Jenny Troha, Honorary Life Member

Leader: We light these candles as signs of our constant hope, our longed-for peace,

our unending joy, our transforming love, that comes from Jesus Christ,

our wondrous Light.

People: May the Light burning in our hearts guide us, comfort us, protect us,

and tend us in all seasons and circumstances,

Leader: Reminding us that day and night, in the light and in the darkness,

God is with us.

People: Our salvation has come! Amen.

Lighting of Candles*

The ushers will light a candle at the end of each pew. Please receive the light by dipping your candle into the lighted candle and passing the light to your neighbor.

Hymn* 122 Silent Night, Holy Night STILLE NACHT

Benediction* Rev. Ann-Henley Nicholson

Postlude* The First Noel arr. David Wilcocks

REV. Ann-Henley Nicholson

Ann-Henley grew up worshipping in the pews at Second Presbyterian Church in Roanoke, Virginia. She didn't imagine then that she'd later experience a call to ministry, yet God is always faithful and often full of surprises. After graduating from the University of Virginia, she pursued her passion for theatre in New York before heading to Princeton Seminary to follow her call to ministry. Upon graduating, she served First Presbyterian Church of Atlanta before returning to Princeton Seminary to become their Director of Alumni Relations. Now she serves as the Vice President for Enrollment Management and Vocational Outreach at Columbia Seminary, where she enjoys identifying the next generation of pastoral leaders and worshipping with communities like ours.

PRESBYTERIAN HOMES OF GEORGIA CARING HANDS FUND

The offering tonight benefits the Presbyterian Homes of Georgia Caring Hands Fund. Presbyterian Homes is a ministry devoted to God's seniors across the state of Georgia in six locations. The senior population, especially those in senior living facilities, has been hit especially hard by the global coronavirus pandemic. For 72 years, the Presbyterian Homes has offered benevolent care and Caring Hands contributions directly support the care of residents who have outlived their financial resources. The Caring Hands Fund allows Presbyterian Homes of Georgia to keep its commitment that no resident is ever asked to leave the compassionate and superior quality care they receive just because their money has run out. You can learn more about Presbyterian Homes of Georgia on their website, www.PHGAinc.org

SERVING IN WORSHIP

MINISTERS: Rev. Shannon Dill & Rev. Ann-Henley Nicholson

MUSIC DIRECTOR: Jen Weier

USHERS: Nancy Moore, Donna Crutchfield, Carol Hickey, Jean Cronan, Christy Keohane

CHANCEL GUILD: Beth Underhill

COMMUNION SERVERS: Tricia Bridges, Lucy Painter, Ellen Womack, Faye Cashwell

