



SERVICE OF WORSHIP

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FIRST PRES
COLORADO SPRINGS

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WHAT DO YOU NAME HIM // TIM MCCONNELL
WEEK THREE // “PRINCE OF PEACE”

**“For he himself is our peace, who has made the two groups
one and has destroyed the barrier, the dividing
wall of hostility.”**

Ephesians 2:14

Find sermons from this series at firstprescos.org/watch

PRELUDE

"I Wonder as I Wander" – arr. Funderburk
"Jesus, Jesus, Rest Your Head" – arr. Funderburk

INTROIT *"O Come, O Come, Emmanuel"* – arr. Dan Goeller

CALL TO WORSHIP

HYMN OF PRAISE No. 182 *"O Come, All Ye Faithful"*

DECLARATION OF GOOD NEWS + PRAYER OF ADORATION

SONG OF ADORATION No. 184 *"What Child is This"*

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE

Frederick Family (Nick, Christy, Leanna, Noah, Gracie, Mabel)

INTRODUCTION + EXPLANATION OF OFFERING

OFFERING OUR GIFTS *"O Holy Night"* – arr. Schmidt/Nelson
Judith Meyer, Soprano Soloist

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy God, In Jesus, You sent us Your Word so that we could see You. That is good news, but we have not trusted Your good news to be good. We have failed to see Jesus as the Prince of Peace. We have refused to receive or to share the peace that He gives. We have expected little and hoped for less. Forgive our doubt and renew in us all right desires, that we may watch and wait and once more hear the glad story of our Savior, Jesus Christ, the Lord. Amen.

RESPONSE No. 180 *“O Little Town of Bethlehem”*

MINISTRY OF MUSIC *“All is Well”* – Michael W. Smith

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE + THE LORD’S PRAYER

HYMN OF PREPARATION No. 191 *“It Came Upon the Midnight Clear”*

SERMON

“Prince of Peace” Ephesians 2:12-22, Tim McConnell

CLOSING HYMN *“I Heard the Bells on Christmas Day”*

CHARGE + BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE *“Good Christian Men, Rejoice”* – arr. Kreider



NEW HERE? We know that going to a new church for the first time is exciting. We want to help make your first experience at First Pres a great one! We can't wait to meet you. Stop by the Welcome Center in the Plaza to ask questions or take next steps to get connected.

The
Happenings

December 22, 2024



Find all upcoming events online.

**FIRSTPRESCOS.ORG/
CALENDAR**

READ AHEAD: On Christmas Eve, Tim McConnell will preach on Matthew 1:18-25.

CHRISTMAS EVE INVITATION: Join us this Christmas Eve as we celebrate the birth of Christ! Invite a friend or loved one, and feel free to pick up an invitation card at the Welcome Center today.

WINTER GTW session starts January 8 with a special worship night. Classes begin January 15 and run through February 26. Check out our redesigned GTW page for details!
FIRSTPRESCOS.ORG/GTW

CELEBRATE CHRISTMAS by supporting our missions partners with kingdom gifts! Something Significant for Christmas catalogs and sign-up sheets are available in the Plaza. You can also give online at
FIRSTPRESCOS.ORG/SOMETHINGSIGNIFICANT

CROWN THE YEAR: We've achieved so much together in advancing the ministry of First Pres and our partners. As the year ends, will you consider a special gift to help crown this year? Envelopes are available at the Welcome Center.

CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES: Join us on Christmas Eve! We offer multiple services to fit your schedule: Family Service at 10 a.m., traditional services at 1, 3, 5, and 7:30 p.m., and contemporary services at 6:30 p.m. and 11 p.m. Visit **FIRSTPRESCOS.ORG/CHRISTMASEVE**

FIRST PRES KIDS CHOIR: We're thrilled to introduce the First Pres Kids Choir for 1st-5th graders, starting February 19, 2025. Rehearsals will take place Wednesdays from 5-6 p.m., with performances including Palm Sunday worship on April 13 and a special Christmas event. The choir will explore diverse worship styles while fostering both musical growth and faith development. Register at
FIRSTPRESCOS.ORG/KIDSCHOIR

NEED PRAYER?

- Find a pastor or Prayer Team member with a large red lanyard
- Fill out a Prayer Request card located in a pew pocket or in the back of the Worship Center
- Email prayer@firstprescos.org

NO MEMORIALS THIS WEEK

To see upcoming memorials, go to
[FIRSTPRESCOS.ORG/MEMORIALSERVICES](https://firstprescos.org/memorialservices)

IN MEMORIAM:

Mrs. Elsie Gonsholt
12/10/2024

FLOWER FUND GIFTS IN MEMORY OF:

Bob Duke
by Jan Duke & family

Roger Tepley
by Ruth Tepley Quinlan, Risa,
Rona, Ryan & families

Susan Quinlan
by Mike Quinlan

**Roger DeKok & Charlotte & Bill
Flinkow**
Carolyn & Pete & the DeKok and
Flinkow families

Hugh & Helena Gollan
by Graham Gollan



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