



## **SERVICE OF WORSHIP**

SANCTUARY 8:30 A.M. // DECEMBER 1, 2024



**FIRST PRES**  
COLORADO SPRINGS

# SERVICE OF WORSHIP

*WHAT DO YOU NAME HIM* // GREG HARTNETT  
WEEK ONE // “WONDERFUL COUNSELOR”

**“For we do not have a high priest who is unable to empathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who has been tempted in every way, just as we are—yet he did not sin.”**

Hebrews 4:15

Find sermons from this series at [firstprescos.org/watch](https://firstprescos.org/watch)

**PRELUDE** *“Medley of Advent Carols”* – traditional/arr. Gillis

**INTROIT** *“O Come, O Come, Emmanuel”* – arr. Dan Goeller

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

**HYMN OF PRAISE** *“Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus”*

**DECLARATION OF GOOD NEWS + PRAYER OF ADORATION**

**SONG OF ADORATION** *“Here I Am to Worship”*

**LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE**

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Merciful God, we know that Jesus has faced everything that has ever tempted us. We know that in this, He never sinned. And we know that He understands our brokenness. Yet too often we forget that. We ignore the mercy and grace that He lavishes upon us when we turn to Him. Forgive us, O Lord, for our rejection of Your reconciling love. By the power of Your Holy Spirit, strengthen us to hold fast to You in all the times of our lives.

We pray this confidently because of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**ASSURANCE OF GOD’S FORGIVENESS**

**RESPONSE** No. 178 *“Emmanuel”*

**MINISTRY OF MUSIC** *“Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence”* – Gustav Holst

**SERMON**

“Wonderful Counselor” Hebrews 4:13-16, Greg Hartnett

**HYMN OF RESPONSE** No. 177 *“Jesus, Name Above All Names”*

**INTRODUCTION + EXPLANATION OF OFFERING**

**OFFERING OUR GIFTS** *“Joy in the Morning”* – Natalie Sleeth

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE + THE LORD’S PRAYER**

**CLOSING HYMN** No. 180 *“O Little Town of Bethlehem”*

**CHARGE + BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE** *“Toccata on Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus”* – arr. Joel Raney



**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 1, 2024



Find all upcoming events online.

**FIRSTPRESCOS.ORG/  
CALENDAR**

**READ AHEAD:** Next week, Tim McConnell will preach on Isaiah 9:1-7

**CHRISTMAS JOY:** Tickets are still available! Visit [FIRSTPRESCOS.ORG/CHRISTMASJOY](https://firstprescos.org/christmasjoy) to ensure that you receive the best price directly from the center and not third-party sites.

**VOLUNTEER ON CHRISTMAS EVE:** Serve with us this Christmas Eve to bring Light + Life to the City. Volunteer to greet, assist with parking, distribute tickets, or help in the nursery. We have a spot for you! Visit [FIRSTPRESCOS.ORG/VOLUNTEER](https://firstprescos.org/volunteer)

**VIVACE RINGERS CONCERT:** Save the date—December 8 at 3 p.m. in the Sanctuary for a festive Christmas celebration with the Vivace Ringers!

**CELEBRATE CHRISTMAS** by supporting local and global partners with kingdom gifts! Catalogs and sign-up sheets are available in the Plaza.

**CONGREGATIONAL MEETING:** Mark your calendars for the Congregational Meeting on December 8 at 12:30 p.m. in the Worship Center to hear a report from our Nominating Committee regarding the names of the approved members of the EPNC and to vote to ratify the Session's approval. See you there!

**FIRST PRES FORWARD:** Join us on December 10 at 6 pm in the Worship Center to hear the congregational survey results from Leighton Ford Ministries Representative Rich Hurst and hear from your First Pres Forward team about the next steps in our process of producing a five-year strategic plan.

**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.

## 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](mailto:prayer@firstprescos.org)

## PRAY FOR THOSE IN THE HOSPITAL

**Mr. Bill Barnes**

Penrose Main

**Mrs. Sheryl Saine**

Penrose Main

Please contact the church if you or another member are hospitalized.

## MEMORIALS THIS WEEK

**Mrs. Elizabeth Jessup**

Thursday, December 5 at 10:30 a.m.

To see upcoming memorials, go to [FIRSTPRESCOS.ORG/MEMORIALSERVICES](http://FIRSTPRESCOS.ORG/MEMORIALSERVICES)

## IN MEMORIAM

**Mrs. Karen Kunstle**

11/21/2024

## FLOWER FUND GIFTS IN MEMORY OF:

**John H. Stevens**

by Stan, Susan, Kelsey & Kendall Stevens

**John H. Stevens**

by Tim & Courtney & family

**Ruth Blocki Kraemer-Young**

by Sandy & Dorothy Kraemer

**L.B. & Olga Delabar**

by Dorothy & Sandy Kraemer

**Kay & Howard Krall,**

**Bill Haigler & Fran Ainsworth**

by David & Christy Krall



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