



SERVICE OF WORSHIP

SANCTUARY 12 P.M. // DECEMBER 25, 2022



FIRST PRES
COLORADO SPRINGS

SERVICE OF WORSHIP

THE GREAT RESCUE // PASTOR JOHN GOODALE
WEEK FIVE // “HOW BEAUTIFUL”

**“How beautiful on the mountains are the feet of those
who bring good news, who proclaim peace,
who bring good tidings, who proclaim salvation,
who says on Zion, ‘Your God reigns!’”**

Isaiah 52:7

Find sermons from this series at firstprescos.org/watch

PRELUDE *Toccatina on "Angels We Have Heard on High"* - Richard Elliot
Let Earth Receive Her King! - Richard Elliot

INTROIT *Jesus, Oh, What a Wonderful Child* - Lloyd Larson

CALL TO WORSHIP

HYMN OF PRAISE *Angels We Have Heard on High*

DECLARATION OF GOOD NEWS + PRAYER OF ADORATION

SONG OF ADORATION *The First Nowell*

COMMUNITY PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of grace and truth, in Jesus Christ You came among us as light shining in darkness. We confess that we have not welcomed the light or trusted the Good News to be good. We have failed to be Your agents of peace on earth. We have resisted Your mighty rule in our lives. We have been reluctant to glorify and praise You for becoming God with us. We have closed our eyes to Your glory. Forgive our doubt and renew our hope, so that we may receive the fullness of Your grace and live in the truth of Christ the Lord. In and through Christ, we pray. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S FORGIVENESS

RESPONSE *The First Nowell*

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

OFFERING OUR GIFTS *For Unto Us a Child is Born* - G.F. Handel

SERMON

"How Beautiful" Isaiah 52:7-10 John Goodale

HYMN OF RESPONSE *God Rest Ye Merry, Gentleman*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE + THE LORD'S PRAYER

CLOSING HYMN *Go, Tell It on the Mountain*

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

CHORAL BENEDICTION *Hallelujah Chorus* - G.F. Handel

POSTLUDE *Joy to the World!* - Robert Hobby



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 25, 2022



Find all upcoming events online.

**FIRSTPRESCOS.ORG/
CALENDAR**

CROWN THE YEAR: As we approach the end of 2022, we are invited to offer our gifts as an act of worship and devotion, in gratitude for all that God has done for us in Jesus Christ. First Pres' 2022 budget was approved at \$7 million, and to date, we've received nearly \$6.5 million, leaving us \$532,083 shy of our anticipated income. We want to invest in transforming lives and be Light and Life for the City. Can you help us with a year-end gift? Envelopes are at the Welcome Center or go to **FIRSTPRESCOS.ORG/GIVENOW**

COMMITMENT CARDS will still be accepted. Please drop in the offering plate or pledge at **FIRSTPRESCOS.ORG/COMMITMENT**

SOMETHING SIGNIFICANT GIFTS lets you bless our ministry partners. Purchase at **FIRSTPRESCOS.ORG/SOMETHINGSIGNIFICANT**

ALPHA: Invite a friend this winter for a meal and conversations about the basics of the Christian faith! Learn more and register at **FIRSTPRESCOS.ORG/TRYALPHA**

WINTER GTW begins January 11. Growing Together Wednesdays offers weekly formation classes for adults, kids and students. Come together to share a meal, grow friendships, and keep growing. Register now at **FIRSTPRESCOS.ORG/GTW**

LIFE GROUP LAUNCH: Are you ready to go deeper into our life together as a worshipping community? Signup Sundays will be January 8, 15 and 22. Learn more at **FIRSTPRESCOS.ORG/CONNECT-IN-GROUPS**

NEW YEAR'S DAY SERVICE TIMES: We'll have two combined Sanctuary worship services, at 8:30 and 11 a.m. There will be no Sunday School for kids, students or adults.

FIRST PRES WILL BE CLOSED Monday, December 26 and Monday, January 2, in recognition of the preceding holidays.

FIRST PRES HISTORY BOOKS are available today and each weekday at the Welcome Center. Purchase your copy today!

NEED PRAYER?

If you'd like prayer, please find a Pastor or Prayer Team member wearing large red nametags after service.

IN MEMORIAM

Mr. Raymond Frank
12/17/2022

Mrs. Arnita Brister
12/18/2022

Mrs. Marcia Peacore
12/19/2022

MEMORIALS THIS WEEK

Mr. John Yates
Wednesday, 12/28 at 11 a.m.

Mr. Al Rich
Thursday, 12/29 at 11 a.m.

To see upcoming memorials, go to
FIRSTPRESCOS.ORG/CARE

FLOWER FUND GIFTS IN MEMORY OF:

John & Betty Bass, & Rachel Lyda
by John & Nancy Bass

Roger Tepley

by Ruth & Michael, Risa, Ronna, Ryan & families

Susan Quinlan

by Michael & Ruth Quinlan

Roger DeKok, & Charlotte & Bill Flinkow

by Carolyn & Pete & the DeKok &
Flinkow families

Hugh & Helena Gollan

by Graham Gollan

Lu Ann Peterson, Joseph & Doris Gascoigne, & Harry & Mildred Peterson

by the Wally Peterson family

Our parents, Kenneth & Virginia Hackerson & Samuel & Dorothy

by Chuck & Judy Stang

James Davis & Robert Lohse

by Jean Lohse, Cindy & Al Hanna &
Scott Davis

FINANCIAL SUMMARY FOR 2022

2022 Budgeted Contribution Income.....	\$7,000,000
Actual Contribution Income through Dec. 18	\$6,467,917
Remaining Balance to Reach 2022 Budget.....	\$532,083

Thank you for your gifts and prayers! We are grateful to be partners in ministry with each of you!