



**PRESTON HOLLOW PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

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*Trusting that All Belong to God. Living Like We Belong to One Another.*

DECEMBER 18, 2022

11 A.M.

***Fourth Sunday of Advent***

**GATHERING**

PRELUDE

*We Three Kings*  
The Sanctuary Ringers and Orchestra

arr. Joel Raney



WELCOME AND INVITATION

*Please check in by signing the register in the pew or by scanning this code with your phone.*

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

Emily & Jess Harris, Laney and Lily, &  
Rebecca Melton

PRAYER (Unison)

—Howard Thurman+

**We will light candles this Christmas:  
Candles of joy, despite all sadness,  
Candles of hope where despair keeps watch.  
Candles of courage for fears ever present.  
Candles of peace for tempest-tossed days,  
Candles of grace to ease heavy burdens,  
Candles of love to inspire all our living,  
Candles that will burn all the year long. Amen.**

\*PASSING OF THE PEACE

*Please greet those around you with “The peace of Christ be with you” or “And also with you.”*

INTROIT

*Angels: Andante misterioso* from  
*Symphonic Fantasia on Christmas Themes*  
Organ, Orchestra and Sanctuary Choir

Gary Fry

Commissioned by Steven Jobman for his beloved friend and colleague Bradley Hunter Welch,  
Resident Organist of Preston Hollow Presbyterian Church, Dallas, Texas and the Dallas Symphony Orchestra.

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

from Psalm 89

One: I will sing of your steadfast love, O LORD, forever.  
**All: I will proclaim your faithfulness to all generations.**  
One: I declare that your steadfast love is established forever.  
**All: Your faithfulness is as firm as the heavens.**  
One: The heavens are yours, the earth also is yours.  
**All: The world and all that is in it—you have founded them.**  
One: Let us join all of creation in worshipping God.

\*HYMN 119

*Hark! The Herald Angels Sing*

MENDELSSOHN  
Setting by John Rutter

**\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**God of love, we are afraid of the news you bring. Forgive us for not trusting you. Our hearts, like the Grinch's, are two sizes too small. Forgive us for our limited love. We confess that we have not shared your good news of great joy with all people. Forgive us for hoarding your love for ourselves. Open our eyes, ears, minds, and hearts to your presence this season. In your holy name we wait, Amen.**

**\*WORDS OF FORGIVENESS**

**One:** Hear and believe the good news of the Gospel:

**All:** **We are saved by grace through faith. In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.  
Thanks be to God. Amen.**

**ANTHEM**

*"Magnificat (Song of Mary)" from the Oratorio "Canticles"*

Gary Fry &

Josefina Maldonado, soloist

Patricia Evans

Premiered by Preston Hollow Presbyterian Church, Dallas, Texas on March 7, 2020.

*My soul magnifies the Lord,  
and my spirit rejoices in God, my Savior.*

*The room went white, a wondrous light, a sight I'd never  
seen before; an angel bright, with words of light,  
a light that thrilled me to the core.*

*How could I not believe the blessings I received?  
In that instant, all was changed, and I would never be the  
same; nothing would ever be the same.*

*For He that is mighty has magnified me, and holy is His  
name.*

*I bowed, amazed; the angel blazed and spoke  
the sweetest words of all:*

*the Lord loves me; He's chosen me!  
O how I tremble at His call!*

*Joseph, my beloved... what will he think? What will he say?  
Will he nod and hold me close? Will he scowl and run away?*

*I pray he understands; I know it's hard to grasp.  
But I also know the Holy Spirit dwells in my heart always,  
so I pray the Holy Spirit will show us both the way.  
for now my God and the life within me are one and the same.*

**PROCLAIMING THE WORD**

**CHILDREN'S SERMON**

*The Friendly Beasts*

arr. Mack Wilberg

Alex Bumpas, soloist

*Following the Children's Sermon, children PreK - 2<sup>nd</sup> grade are invited to exit the sanctuary to attend Children's Chapel. Parents may pick up their children in the Chapel after the service. As the children depart, they will say, "May God be with you here" and the congregation will respond, "**May God be with you there.**"*

*Jesus, our brother, strong and good,  
Was humbly born in a stable rude,  
And the friendly beasts around him stood,  
Jesus, our brother, strong and good.*

*"I," said the donkey, shaggy and brown,  
"I carried his mother up hill and down,  
I carried his mother to Bethlehem town;  
I," said the donkey, shaggy and brown.*

*"I," said the cow, all white and red,  
"I gave him my manger for his bed,  
I gave him my hay to pillow his head;  
I," said the cow, all white and red.*

*"I," said the sheep with curly horn,  
"I gave him my wool for his blanket warm,  
He wore my coat on Christmas morn;  
I," said the sheep with curly horn.*

*"I," said the dove from the rafters high,  
"I cooed him to sleep so he would not cry,  
We cooed him to sleep, my mate and I;  
I," said the dove from rafters high.*

*Thus every beast by some good spell,  
In the stable dark was glad to tell  
Of the gifts they gave Emmanuel,  
Of the gifts they gave Emmanuel.*

## PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

## SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 2:8-15

## RESPONDING TO THE WORD

### ANTHEM

*Go, Tell it On the Mountain*

arr. Ryan Murphy

Text found at Hymn 136

Commissioned by Kelly and Annell Williams in memory of Margie D. Haughton,  
For the Sanctuary Choir of Preston Hollow Presbyterian Church, Dallas, Texas,  
Steve Jobman, Director of Music.

### \*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

*Of the Father's Love Begotten*

Hymn 108, Stanzas 4-5

### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE 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, the power, and the glory forever. Amen.**

### INVITATION TO OFFERING

*To give online, visit [www.phpc.org/give](http://www.phpc.org/give). You may also give by scanning this QR code using the camera on your phone, or by texting "GIVE" TO 972-861-1116. Your \$1 bills and all coins will be included in our  
**Every Dollar Counts** offering.*



### OFFERTORY

*Fanfare on "Joy to the World"*

arr. Randol A. Bass

### \*DOXOLOGY

VENI EMMANUEL

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below;**

**Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.**

**Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.**

### \*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

## SENDING

### \*HYMN 147

*The First Nowell*  
Stanzas 1, 2 & 6

THE FIRST NOWELL  
Setting by John Rutter

### \*BENEDICTION

## Poinsettias 2022

### Given By

Ann and Terry O'Hara

Anna and John Dean

Anne and Judson Duncan, Martha,  
Sarah and Ruby

Anonymous

Bill Bond

Bill and Elaine Johnson

Carol and Chris Lander

Cathy and Tom Allen

Christine Ho

Cindy Jung

Clarice and Stephen Giles

David and Miranda Lind

David Wilson

Donna and Robert Vick

Dusty, Lily and Merry

Elaine Bohlin

Helen and Kent Comer

Jane and Dave Graeber

Janice Barger

John and Janie Roper

Julie and John Livingston

Kathy Bateman

Kathy and Michael Crow

Kevin and Lundy Forbes

Lesley and Bill Martinelli

Lisa and Michael Johnson

Lynda and Bob Lehn

Manuel and Frances Lena

Michelle Price

### In Honor Of

*Grandchildren*

*Our children and grandchildren: Peter, Alicia, Tripp and Jones  
Dean, Eleanor, Peter, Walker, MaryLou and Clark Boynton, Mollie,  
Hunter and Jack Dottley*

*Our parents and grandparents*

*Epiphany*

*My family*

*Our family*

*Our grandchildren: River Gage, Annabelle Edenfield and Lilah  
Edenfield*

*Our children and grandchildren: Stacy and Finley Allen; Trisha,  
Michael, Ames and Lennon Gargiulo*

*PHPC Youth Group, Shannon Guse, Grace Andrade and Peter  
Manning*

*The Deacons*

*Janet Tinsley*

*Our children, Jonathan and Colin*

*Ellen Wilson, Claire, Brett and Olivia Messerall*

*Our grandchildren: Irene, Allison, Isabelle, Vivie and Clara*

*Stephanie Rhoades*

*The birth of our Savior, our Rock and Redeemer*

*Our grandchildren*

*Our children and grandchildren: John, Lauren, Annie and Ben  
Graeber. Lauren, Drew, Patrick, Madigan and Chloe Solomon  
Amy, John, Will, and Harrison Mina. Melissa, Trey, Tyler and  
Graham Chapman*

*Tim, Suzanne, Austin and Connor Dakil, Jeff, Leslie, Jordan and  
Daniel Roper*

*Caroline and Trent Stevenson, Ben Livingston*

*Debbie Tunnell*

*Whitey and Mary Lou Clarke, Michael, Lauren, Matthew and  
Connor Crow*

*Matt, Leslie, Eleanor and Marjorie Yager*

*Our grandchildren: Elaine, Michael, Nico, Lucca, Max, Thomas,  
Gage and their parents*

*Bob and Carol Poteet, our parents and children*

*Bob's dad, Edward T. Lehn, Jr.*

*Family and friends*

*Terry and Alyce Price*

CHORAL RESPONSE

*Angels We Have Heard on High*

arr. Mack Wilberg

CLOSING VOLUNTARY

*The Sounding Joy from  
“Symphonic Fantasia on Christmas Themes”  
The congregation is invited to be seated.*

Gary Fry

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+ “I Will Light Candles This Christmas” is a poem from the section, *The Christmas Greeting*, in Thurman’s collection, *The Mood of Christmas & Other Celebrations*, published by Harper and Row, 1973.

### **WORSHIP LEADERS**

The preacher today is Rev. Matthew Ruffner. The liturgists are Rev. Peter Manning and Rev. Caroline Braskamp. The organist is Artist-in-Residence Bradley Hunter Welch. Director of Music Steve Jobman conducts the Sanctuary Choir. Worship and Music Coordinator Stephanie Rhoades conducts the Sanctuary Ringers.

### **FLOWERS**

The flowers in the **columbarium garden** are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Lois and Richard Poole by their children.

### **FOR OUR VISITORS**

Welcome to Preston Hollow Presbyterian Church. No matter who you are, or where you are on your faith journey, you belong here. We offer several items to make the worship service more accessible to those with unique needs: a Hearing Loop (available in the back center section of the sanctuary), Hearing Aid Headphones, large print Bibles, bulletins, hymnals, and hymn sheets. Please ask an usher for any of these items.

### **WREATHS 2022**

#### **Given By**

Anonymous

Christine Ho

Cindy Jung

David and Dawn Hall

King Laughlin

Margaret and Chuck Gall

#### **Given By**

Janice Barger

Janis Knott

JoAnn and Chuck Plenge

Karen Wiese

King Laughlin

Linda Richardson

Mary S. Perry

Mike and Margaret Wieman

Sandra Gompf

Tim, Suzanne, Austin and Connor Dakil

Tom and Ellen Dortch

Trish Holden

Wendy Spring

#### **In Honor Of**

*Epiphany Program*

*PHPC Youth Group, Shannon Guse, Grace Andrade and Peter Manning*

*The Deacons*

*Our grandchildren, Charlotte, Eleanor and Miller*

*Linda Joyce Laughlin*

*PHPC Pastors and Staff, Our children and grandchildren*

#### **In Memory Of**

*Ed Barger*

*My parents*

*Our parents*

*Tom, Bob, Jay and Barb Wiese and Minter, Hope, Mike and Michael Wilson*

*Mary and L.A. Joyce, Walker Joyce Atkinson*

*Aleen Branch*

*Ken Perry*

*Ray and Dorothy Martin, Glen Martin, Quintin and Louise Wieman*

*Henry Lewis Gompf*

*Betty and Lewis White, Maxine and Louis Dakil*

*Jim, Leah and Luke Eason*

*Her parents, C.E. and Neva S. Holden*

*Irene and William Townsend, Adele and Sebastian Spring*

Mike and Stacey Wright  
Pamela Garges  
Peggy Smith and Dana Fuller  
Richard and Jane Orrock  
Sandra Gompf  
Sandy and Steve Watson  
Sally and Gary Dobbie  
Scott, Regan, Jack and Scotty Drake  
Sharon Balch  
Terry and Alyce Price  
Tim and Gretchen Feemster  
Tim, Suzanne, Austin and Connor Dakil  
Z and Shirley Zsohar

#### **Given By**

Amy and Dave Jones  
Anna and John Dean  
  
Annell and Kelly Williams  
Bill Bond  
Bill and Elaine Johnson  
Brad and Noelle Williams  
Charles and Annette Rutherford  
Children of Lois and Richard Poole  
Clarice and Stephen Giles  
  
David and Dawn Hall  
David and Miranda Lind  
Doris and Mike Sampson  
Helen and Kent Comer  
Jane and Dave Graeber  
Janice Barger  
Jayme Dorian and Madi Isenberg  
Jim and Ann Wooldridge  
John and Ann White  
John and Janie Roper  
Joy Apple  
Julie and John Livingston  
Julie and Rick Wyman

*Our grandchildren: Nolan, Zola, Wesley and Ellie, Mary Wright*  
*The entire Staff at PHPC*  
*Matthew Ruffner*  
*Our children, James, Janet and Alex and our grandson, Jack*  
*My children and their families, Our phenomenal music ministry*  
*Sharon Patrick, Fred Anderson*  
*Our children and grandchildren*  
*Our beloved father and grandfather, Tom Drake*  
*Wednesday Morning Bible Study teachers*  
*Michelle Price, the leadership and members of the Music Ministry*  
*Our families*  
*John and Janie Roper, T. Anne Dakil*  
  
*Lara, Amy, Shawn, Joel, Lisa, Jonathan and Lily*

#### **In Memory Of**

*Robert Ross Harris, Dee Ann Jones, Wilton Ira Jones, Jr.*  
*Our parents: Hartwell and MaryLou Kennard, Wilfred and Maxine Dean*  
*Sarah Hope Williams and our four parents*  
*Dr. and Mrs. Russell C. Bond*  
*Our parents*  
*Bette Denning and Bonnie Dietrich*  
*Joseph and Marian Mosier, Charles and Aileen Rutherford*  
*Lois and Richard Poole*  
*Steve Giles, II, Darlene Giles, McKie Giles, The Giles Family Angels, The Tinsley Family Angels, Alexander Thomas*  
*Marianne and Richard Renzetti, Lela and Richard Hall*  
*Miranda's parents, Toy and Hong Ton "Jimmy" Yee*  
*Marjorie and A.C. Boger; Jim Boger, Max and Marjorie Sampson*  
*Our parents*  
*Our parents, Mary Sue and Fred Lewis, Lily and Ben Graeber*  
*Mr. and Mrs. Earle B. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. W.G. Barger*  
*Ed and Janet Rasmusen*  
*Charles and Martha Daniel*  
*Melva Ross White and Jeri Davis White, beloved sisters-in-law*  
*Bill Roper, Jack and Carolyn Roper*  
*Jerry Apple*  
*Connie and Leo Mott*  
*Our son, Chuck Wyman*

Karen Wiese	<i>Tom, Bob, Jay and Barb Wiese and Minter, Hope, Mike and Michael Wilson</i>
Kathy and Michael Crow	<i>Pat and Lon Worth Crow, Jr.</i>
Kevin and Lundy Forbes	<i>Our parents: Joe and Marge Forbes, Bob and Betty Knox, Michael Forbes, Sam Knox, Diana Knox Conine</i>
Kris McLauchlan	<i>Onlee and Bill Borglund, Ian McLauchlan</i>
Linda and Steve Munden	<i>Mary Ellen Gibbons Short, Howard and Rose Munden, Ellen and Chip Smith</i>
Lesley and Bill Martinelli	<i>Our parents, Mary Jane and Marty Martinelli, Marge Heres, John Heres, and brother, Tom Martinelli</i>
Lynda and Bob Lehn	<i>Our parents: Jo White Lewis, Arthur F. White, Peggy Lehn, Billy Lewis</i>
Mary S. Perry	<i>Ken Perry</i>
Mike and Stacey Wright	<i>Loved ones: Bob, Jane, Bill, Kellye and Sue</i>
Mimi and Russ Longyear	<i>Mimi's brother, Paul E. Prosswimmer, Jr. and Russ' sister, Catherine L. Cummings</i>
Mr. and Mrs. George H. Scragg Jr.	<i>Mr. and Mrs. George H. Scragg, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Eells, Ms. Lois Holly Wilson</i>
Neva and Randy Hall	<i>Jennyre and John Hall, Ruth and John Lovato</i>
Pamela Garges	<i>George F. Garges, Myrna Jo Garges, Gerry A. Garges, Netty Painter</i>
Pamela Kirkpatrick	<i>Charles Warner (Jack) Ridgway, Sally Brumbaugh Ridgway and Charles Kelley Kirkpatrick</i>
Peg Pannell Smith	<i>George Franklin Pannell, Sr, Glen Allen Smith, Sr</i>
R.J. and Suzy Childress	<i>Our parents, Dr. Ben and Sue Merritt, and Paul and Iva Childress</i>
Richard and Jane Orrock	<i>Parents, Welford and Connie Orrock, Donald and Janet McMullen</i>
Robert Jones	<i>My grandparents " Mommo and Poppo"</i>
Roger and Marena Gault	<i>Wayne and Phyllis Gault, Norma and Hank Moore</i>
Ruth Fitzgibbons and Brian McGauley	<i>Our parents, Ed and Nette Miller and Joe and Barbara McGauley</i>
Sally Beam	<i>Miriam and Bill Harris</i>
Sally and Gary Dobbie	<i>Our parents, Bette and Herb Dobbie, Nancy and Jack Titus</i>
Sameera and John Murad	<i>Our parents and Stephen Lang Massad</i>
Scott, Regan, Jack and Scotty Drake	<i>Our treasured mother and grandmother, Nancy Drake</i>
Sharon Balch	<i>Thomas C. Balch and Nancy Hampton</i>
Sisters of Richard Van Poole	<i>Richard Van Poole</i>
Susan and Tom Wright	<i>Mike and Delana Wright, Bud and Carolyn Reed</i>
Suzanne Stewart	<i>Brittany Stewart and Jose Stewart</i>
Ted and Twila Moore	<i>Ron Honea</i>
Tobie and Steve Sasser	<i>Pamela and Gene Powell</i>
Tom and Ellen Dortch	<i>Our parents</i>
Tom and Kathy Johnsrud	<i>Our parents; Jean Johnsrud and Onni Koskinen</i>
Tom and Laurie Wagner	<i>Robin Koretsky</i>
Z and Shirley Zsohar	<i>Our parents</i>



Rev. Matthew Ruffner  
Senior Pastor



Rev. Mark Brainerd  
Senior Associate Pastor



Rev. Peter Manning  
Monie Pastoral Resident



Rev. Caroline Braskamp  
Pastoral Associate for  
Faith Foramtion



Rev. Dr. John Roper  
Parish Associate



Rev. Dr. Bob Poteet  
Parish Associate

## Christmas Eve Services at PHPC

We will hold four Christmas Eve Services on December 24

- **4 p.m.** Family Service in the Sanctuary
- **5 p.m.** Contemporary Service in Founders Hall
- **6 p.m.** Traditional Service in the Sanctuary
- **8 p.m.** Traditional Service with communion in the Sanctuary

## Christmas Day and New Year's Day Services

We will hold one service at 11 a.m. on Christmas Day in the Sanctuary. There will be NO Children's Chapel on these days. We will resume our normal schedule on New Year's Day: Contemporary Service at 9 a.m. in Founders Hall and 11 a.m. Traditional Service in the Sanctuary.

## CONNECT

### Pathways of Remembrance: Blue Christmas | Dec. 20 | 7 p.m.

The holidays can be a challenging time, particularly if you aren't feeling the "joy" of the season due to loss, grief, or the challenging times. Wherever you find yourself and whatever you are feeling, you are welcome here. We hope you will join us in Founders Hall.

### Nebraska Wesleyan University Choirs Performance | Jan. 6 7 p.m. | Sanctuary | Free Will Offering

Offering a kaleidoscopic array of music by diverse composers, Nebraska Wesleyan's University Choir and Jazz Choir come to Preston Hollow as part of their annual concert tour. Under the direction of Tom Trenney and Sam Eschliman, the choirs will sing compelling works by Pavel Chesnokov, Gwynneth Walker, Jake Runestad, Rosephanye Powell, Felix Mendelssohn, Moses Hogan, and Alessandro Scarlatti. Expressing both great joy and deep sorrow, fervent hope and honest fear, this powerful, soulful program is sure to inspire.

### Confirmation Sunday | January 8 | 9 & 11 a.m. Services

We will confirm 25 students between the two services. Please plan to attend this special milestone.

### Only 150 Tickets Remain for "John Rutter Conducts John Rutter" | Feb. 26 | 7 p.m. | Sanctuary

Maestro Rutter will conduct the PHPC Sanctuary Choir and full orchestra on Sunday, Feb. 26 at 7 p.m. Purchase tickets at [phpc.org/johnrutter](http://phpc.org/johnrutter). Only general seating remains. Tickets are \$25 until the end of December. The price will increase to \$35 on January 1.

## GIVE

### Commit 2023

Now is the time to make a financial commitment to the church for our new budget year. **Each Sunday throughout December, you are invited to submit your pledge card by placing it in the offering plate or putting it in the designated box in the Atrium.**

Our goal is \$4.1 million because it ensures we:

- continue to sow seeds of faith in the next generation
- stand ready to care for those who find themselves at the intersection of loss and grief
- provide care and God's love for those on the margins of our society
- provide space for God's people to worship and be nourished each week

To give online or make a commitment, please visit [phpc.org](http://phpc.org) and select the "Commit 2023" button.

**Thank you for your generosity.**

## GROW

### PHP Preschool 2023-2024 Enrollment Begins in January

PHPP will offer classes for children ages 12 months - 5 years (by Sept. 1) for the next school year. Enrollment for returning families is Jan 3-6, and church members may enroll Jan. 9-13. New families (non-church members) may register beginning January 17. For class options and additional information, visit [www.phppreschool.org](http://www.phppreschool.org) or call the Preschool office at 214-369-1395.

### Suzanne Stabile | Jan. 22 | 7 p.m. | Jan. 23 | 7 p.m.

Preston Hollow is honored to host International Enneagram Master Teacher Suzanne Stabile for two evenings of conversation on Sunday, January 22 and Monday, January 23. These conversations will be her response to Danielle's question: As one of our city's most cherished village elders, what is the wisdom you most want to pass on to the next generation? And, in what can only be seen as the Spirit moving, Suzanne responded that she wanted to come to talk about belonging. Mark your calendars and bring your friends for what will be two impactful and wisdom-filled evenings with one of Dallas' most cherished village elders.