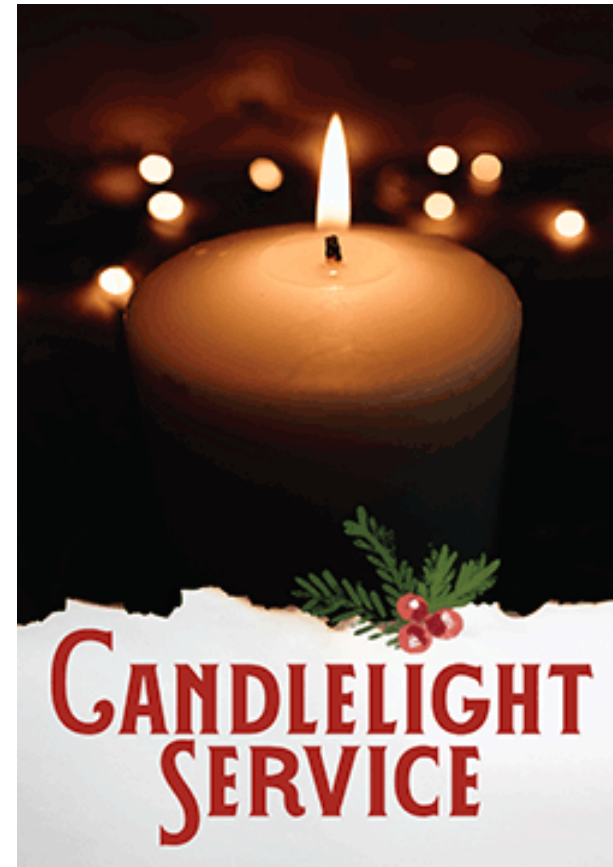




Mission Statement First Presbyterian Church

Mountain Home, Arkansas

Our mission is to glorify God, reach out to people of all ages and in all levels of spiritual growth in worship, Christian education, music and fellowship. Trumpet the good news we share of God's love and forgiveness, of Jesus Christ and his gospel to people everywhere throughout the local church community and the world.



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DECEMBER 24, 2025

CHRISTMAS EVE

Christmas Eve

PRELUDE **“O Holy Night”** Susan Hawkins

(This is a time for quiet meditation and preparation for worship)

WELCOME

Leader: The Peace of the Lord be with you.

People: And also, with you.

Leader: Please share the peace of the Lord with one another.

CALL TO WORSHIP

Rev. Lila DeMoss

Leader: Do not be afraid; for see: I am bringing you
good news of great joy.

**People: To us is born this day in the city of David a
Savior, the Messiah, the Lord.**

Leader: This will be a sign for you: you will find a child wrapped in cloth and lying in a manger.

**People: Glory to God in the highest, and on earth
peace!**

Leader: Let us go to Bethlehem.

ADVENT READING/CANDLE LIGHTING

Ron & Mary Smith

ATTENDANCE

Sunday, December 21, 2025 Attendance—23

PRAAYER CONCERNS

Please keep the following in your prayers: Chuck Beall, Judy Sulephen, Bob Brozowski, Wana Thacker; Sue and Diane, sisters of Michele Wells; Eleanore Wheeler; Pam and Rev. Victor Jones; James and Jacky Neff for James' healing; Lisa Gillespie, Fred Ruegsegger for comfort. Church secretary Debbie Heroux's mother Charleen Killman, for healing; Lila Kirch, friend of Kay Kunkel for healing; Ted Bishop, Mary Smith's brother for healing; Martha Mace for healing and comfort. Jackie Hoff, Nancy Priest and Debby, Eleanore Wheeler's daughter for healing.

SCRIPTURES FOR DECEMBER 28

Isaiah 63:7-9

Psalm 148

Hebrew 2:10-18

Matthew 2:13-23

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All announcements for the Sunday Bulletin need to be in the secretary's office or emailed to fpcmh@centurytel.net by noon on Wednesday.

CHURCH ACTIVITIES

MERRY CHRISTMAS!

SCRIPTURE READING Isaiah 9:2-7

Mary Smith, Lay Reader

HYMN “The First Noel”

Verses 1-4 No. 56

(Please be Seated)

SCRIPTURE READING Luke 2:1-14, 15-20

Rev. Lila DeMoss

SERMON “The Significance of Christmas”

Rev. Lila DeMoss

(Please be Seated)

SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

INVITATION

PRAYER

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

HYMN “Silent Night” No. 60

“Silent Night”

POSTLUDE

Susan Hawkins

On the very first Christmas Eve, frightened shepherds were suddenly surrounded by light and music. A choir of angels filled the night sky, singing: “Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men” (Luke 2:14, KJV).

Nineteenth-century pastor Charles Kingsley reflected on how those three simple words — glory, peace, and good will — still capture the meaning of Jesus’ birth and the hope it brings.

Glory. God's glory isn't shown in dazzling displays of power but in humility and mercy. The baby in the manger revealed God's greatness by stooping low, forgiving, and showing love.

Peace. True peace is more than the absence of conflict. It comes when we follow God's example of selflessness, giving up pride and selfish ambition to live in harmony with one another.

Good will. God's good will toward us is a gift that transforms our lives. Through Jesus, God invites us out of selfishness and sin into a life marked by love, kindness, and community.

The angels' song wasn't meant only for shepherds long ago. It still sings to us today, calling each of us to live in glory, peace, and good will.