Salisbury
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP SCHEDULE

7:00 a.m. Online
10:00 a.m.

*Please rise in body or spirit.

STAFF

The Rev. Dr. Jim King, Pastor & Head of Staff
The Rev. Nate Taylor, Associate Pastor
The Rev. Hezron Thumbi, Seminary Intern
Dr. Mark Patterson, Director of Music & Composer in Residence
Cathy Armistead, Organist
Jenny Kirkbride, Children's & Youth Choir Director
Greg Shultz & Meghann VanSant, Operations and Finance Managers
Amber Earley, Communications Coordinator
Kathryn Boyle, Administrative Assistant
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WEEKLY E-NEWS SIGN UP

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Service for the Worship of God

December 29, 2024

Welcome & Announcements — Rev. Nate Taylor

Prelude — *The First Noel* — arr. Mark Patterson

Call to Worship — from Psalm 148

Leader: Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord from the heavens!
People: Praise the Lord, sun and moon; praise the Lord all you shining stars!
Leader: Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord from the earth!
People: Praise the Lord, mountains and all hills, fruit trees and all cedars! Wild Animals and all cattle, creeping things and flying birds!
Leader: Rulers of the earth and all peoples, young and old together! Let the Lord's name be exalted above earth and heaven.

*Hymn of Adoration — #113 *Angels We Have Heard on High*

*Prayer of Adoration and Silent Prayer of Confession — Rev. Dr. Jim King

*Unison Prayer of Confession

God of wonder, You surround us with signs of Your glory and surprise us with Your presence, yet we often miss the marvels You place before us. Forgive our dullness and make us alert to the ways You make Yourself known, that we might be witnesses to Your good news and proclaim Your extravagant love: through Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.

*Assurance of Pardon

People: For God so loved the world that He gave His only Son, so that everyone who believes in Him may not perish but may have eternal life. Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world but in order that the world might be saved through Him. John 3:16–17
Leader: Believe the good news of the Gospel, in Jesus Christ our sins are forgiven.
People: Thanks be to God!

*Affirmation of Faith — Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, His only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

*Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen.

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture Lesson Colossians 3:12–17

Children's Message

Scripture Lesson Luke 2:41–52

Sermon What Were You Expecting?

Hymn of Reflection #110 *Love Has Come*

Prayers of the People, and 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.

Offertory *Rejoice!* arr. Mark Patterson

*Doxology

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. Amen.

*Sharing Christ's Peace

Leader: The peace of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ be with you.
People: And also with you.

*Hymn of Parting #136 *Go, Tell It on the Mountain*

*Benediction

Postlude *Christmas in Six* arr. Mark Patterson

Next Sunday January 5 there is a single worship service at 10:00 a.m.
Rev. Dr. King's sermon will be "Light and Dark" based on John 1:10–18.

FLOWER DEDICATION
The chancel flowers are given by Marshall & Elaine Gingery to the glory of God and in celebration of their 63rd wedding anniversary.

Ushers: 10:00 a.m.
Bob & Melisa Phillips

SAVE THE DATES!

January 5 will be a single worship service at 10:00 a.m.

January 5 Youth Group will meet at 6:00 p.m.

February 23 *Rise Against Hunger;* a whole family service event in the gym following the 11:00 a.m. worship service

SUNDAY SCHEDULE:
10:00 a.m. Worship
11:00 a.m. Congregational Meeting

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