

FIRST
PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH OF
CODY



DECEMBER 24TH
2022

Christmas Eve Order of Service

————— *Please fill out attendance form* —————
& pass it along your row

Special Prelude “O Come, O Come, Emmanuel”

Flute Solo by: *Karina Schoessler*

Welcome and Announcements

Responsive Call to Worship

A Savior has appeared in a Bethlehem manger.

Hurry to receive God’s loving-kindness.

Our God has called us a holy people.

God has gathered us to redeem us.

This is a time for renewal and rebirth.

Dare to embrace the hope of eternal life.

Light is dawning; glory is revealed.

Rejoice and give thanks to our God.

Let God’s healing grace transform you.

Receive the salvation God has promised.

We have come to receive God’s gifts.

We have come to worship and praise our God.

Lighting of the Christ Candle *Curt, Tammy & Mackenzie Scott*

Opening Hymn “O Come all Ye Faithful” #41

Unison Prayer of Confession

Awesome God, we confess our fear to let down our guard, to feel the wonder, to believe the good news. Why would love choose to live among us, who are so unloving in our words and deeds? Why would you choose to place Trusting Innocence in the hands of sinners like us? We are afraid to bow down, lest we be accused of sentimental weakness. We hesitate to embrace the joy, lest it turn to disappointment in the cruel realities of this world. Forgive us, God, and awaken the child within us, we pray in Jesus’ name. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

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.

Choir “A Christmas Invitation”

Presentation of Offering

Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise Him, all creatures here below; praise Him above, ye heavenly hosts; praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Special Music “O Little Town of Bethlehem” *The Corr Family*

Scripture Titus 3:3-8

Special Music “In the First Light”

Jim McNeil, Jerry Kinkade, Wendy Corr, Rachel Schoessler

Scripture Luke 2:1-20

Hymn “Born in the Night, Mary’s Child” #30

Message “So What is God to Do?”

Pastoral Prayer and the Lord’s Prayer

Closing Hymn “Silent Night, Holy Night” #60

Flute Accompanist: Quincy Sondeno

Benediction

Postlude



Candle Lighting:

Please hold the
candle upright and
touch the unlit candle
wick to the lit candle.
Thank you!

Join Us!

Christmas Day Service

Time: 9:30am



Ushers: Rod & Kay Soulek

Music Director: Wendy Corr

Music Accompanist & Choir Director: Tim Schoessler

Message: Pat Montgomery