

December 28, 2025

1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Christmas

PRELUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

MINUTE TO MISSION — ten-cents-a-meal

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Now we have seen the saving love of the Lord,

**People: The Glory of God’s people and a light to all.**

Leader: Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts;

**People: Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly.**

**All: Let us worship the prince of peace.**

\*HYMN 132 “Good Christian Friends, Rejoice”

\*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 good news to be good. We have closed our eyes to glory in our midst, expecting little, and hoping for less. 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.

\* ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Friends, believe the good news!

**People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! Amen.**

\*GLORIA PATRI 581

SCRIPTURE READING

Isaiah 63: 7-9

Leader: The word of the Lord

**People: Thanks be to God**

ANTHEM “Love Come Down at Christmas” by. Allen Pote

SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 2: 13-23

CHILDREN CHURCH

Patty Oakley

SERMON “An Unconsolable Voice” Rev. Dr. Morgan Whitfield, Jr.

\*HYMN 119 “Hark! The Herald Angels Sing”

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH 35 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**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORDS’ 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, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen

OFFERING

Call to Offering

Offertory

\*Doxology 606

\*Prayer of Dedication

\*HYMN 136           *“Go Tell It On the Mountain”*

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

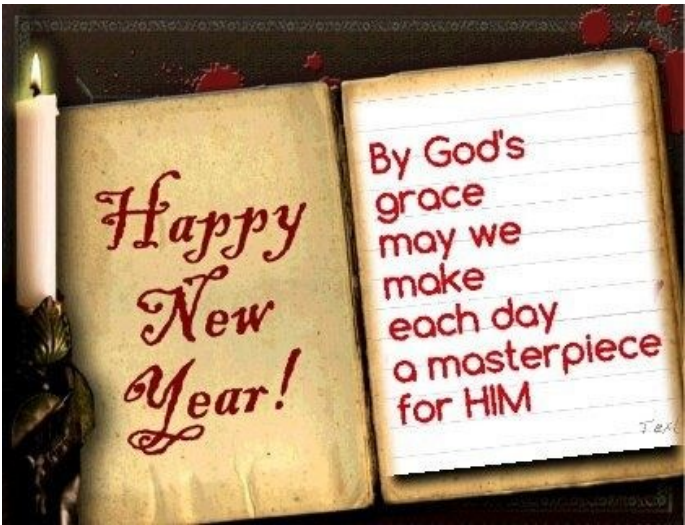
(ASTERISK\* please stand in body or spirit. BOLD indicates congregational response)

# The Presbyterian Church of Radford

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We welcome each person who is visiting with our congregation and extend a special invitation for you to make The Presbyterian Church of Radford your home. Please take a visitor’s card from the pew, fill it out and place it in the offering plate. Hearing devices are available at the back of the sanctuary. If you wish to use one during worship, please let one of our ushers know. Kindly remove the batteries after use.

Session

David A. Young, Clerk of the Session

<u>Class of 2025</u>	<u>Class of 2026</u>	<u>Class of 2027</u>
Alice Collier	John Herndon	Coleman Thomas
D D Munsey	Bonnie Hayes	David Ferrell
Robin Troxel	Carol White	Mary Denton Lyerly
Wilma Allen	Florence Mogen	Hugh Miller

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REMEMBER THE FOLLOWING IN YOUR PRAYERS

**CONGREGATION:** Richard Robertson, Linda Coyle, Ron Stockhoff, Family of Mack Hilton, Sherry & Ty Oxley, Jim Coulthard, Judy Hood, Diane Bibb.

**FRIENDS OF THE CONGREGATION:** Al & Eleanor Harris (friends of Jimmie Parish), Trey and Christina Wall (son & daughter in law of Dot Wall), Elizabeth Klein (friend of Steve Willis), John Simmons (friend of Charlie & Wilma Allen), Lori Abercrombie Wills (friend of Dot Wall), Asa Peeples (grandson of Don Makin), Nancy Zingelmann (resident of Ridgewood), David Coulthard (brother of Jim Coulthard), Bobby Jenkins (Uncle to Jill Alderman), Dick & Laura Stanton (Gwen Whitfield’s parents), Mark & Vickie Williams (friends of Dot Wall), Jake Frye (grandson of Susan & Randy Frye), Heath Puckett (friend of Coley Thomas), Robert Morris (commissioned lay pastor of Old Brick Presbyterian Church and friend of Whisonant’s), Billy Campbell (friend of David Ferrell),Family of Marlena Wilson (Cailyn Wilson’s aunt), Mary Ann Williams (friend of Diane Bibb), Sylvia Atkinson (mother of Holly Moore), James Smith (Nancy Smith’s husband), Clarence Albert (Patty Oakley’s Father).

**Head Ushers for December**  
December 7, 14      Mary Denton Lyerly  
December 21, 28      Coley Thomas

**Head Ushers for January 2026**  
January 4, 11      Florence Mogen  
January 18, 25      D. D. Munsey

January 1, 2026 – Church Office will be closed  
  
January 19, 2026-(Monday)-Church Office Closed for Martin Lurther King, Jr. Day  
  
January 20, 2026 – 7:00 p.m.--Session

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Masking in Worship**—Masking in worship and Sunday School will be optional. This policy is subject to change if there is another surge in COVID.

Dear PCR Family,

In this season celebrating the birth of our savior, we are especially thankful for the love and kindness of our church family. Thank you so much for the generosity toward the Whitfield family and our staff in the gifts of our Christmas bonuses this year. On behalf of the staff, we are so thankful to serve here and look forward to what the Lord will do at PCR in 2026!

Glory to God in the Highest,

Rev. Dr. Morgan Whitfield, Jr.

**The Elf Shelf** this year served **137 families w/a total of 330 children**. They also provided **36 “food only”** vouchers (for older and/or disabled adults).

Many thanks to the “elves” who helped on Friday Dec. 5: Carol, Lin, Phil, Tim & Hugh. It wouldn’t work w/o elves!

Karen

## NOTES

**\*PLEASE PICK UP YOUR POINSETTIA\***