

# EVENING WORSHIP

First Presbyterian Church  
December 10, 2023 – 5:00 PM

~ *Please pick up a hymnal before the service* ~

## Welcome

### Call to Worship

Psalm 95:1–2

*Oh come, let us sing to the Lord; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation! Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!*

### Invocation

#### \*Hymn No. 207

*Good Christian Men, Rejoice!*

### Scripture Reading

Jeremiah 23:1–9

“Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture!” declares the Lord. Therefore thus says the Lord, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who care for my people: “You have scattered my flock and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. Behold, I will attend to you for your evil deeds, declares the Lord. Then I will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the countries where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. I will set shepherds over them who will care for them, and they shall fear no more, nor be dismayed, neither shall any be missing, declares the Lord.

“Behold, the days are coming, declares the Lord, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In his days Judah will be saved, and Israel will well securely. And this is the name by which he will be called: ‘The Lord is our righteousness.’

“Therefore, behold, the days are coming, declares the Lord, when they shall no longer say, ‘As the Lord lives who brought up the people of Israel out of the land of Egypt,’ but ‘As the Lord lives who brought up and led the offspring of the house of Israel out of the north country and out of all the countries where he had driven them.’ Then they shall dwell in their own land.

### Prayer of Confession

#### Assurance of Pardon

Isaiah 55:6–7

Seek the Lord while he may be found; call upon him while he is near; let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts; let him return to the Lord, that he may have compassion on him, and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon.

### Pastoral Prayer

#### \*Hymn No. 213

*What Child Is This*

#### Sermon *The Carols of Christmas: O Little Town of Bethlehem*

Micah 5:1–5, Matthew 2:1–12 | Pastor Moore

#### \*Hymn No. 201

*O Little Town of Bethlehem*

### Benediction

\*Please stand if you are able.

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*Colossians 1:28*