

CHRISTMAS EVE COMMUNION SERVICE
December 24, 2019

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

* **Opening Hymn** **“What Child Is This”** **# 184**

Lighting of the Christ Candle

David and Lisa Nelms 5:00 pm

Travis, Brittany and Madeline Jones 10:00 pm

Call to Worship

Leader: *Praise be to the Lord, the God of Israel, because He has come and has redeemed His people.*

People: *He has raised up a horn of salvation for us in the house of His servant David (as He said through His holy prophets long ago).*

All: *Come, let us rejoice, for unto us a child has been born; the Savior of the world!*

Prayer of Praise and Adoration (In Unison)

Almighty God, on this Christmas Eve, help us to be mindful of the price you paid by allowing your son, the Prince of Peace, to be born in a stable; fully human yet fully God. Let us celebrate His birth not just this Christmas Eve but every day in our hearts as we seek to follow Him all the days of our lives. Amen.

Scripture Reading

Luke 2:1-20

* **Responsive Hymn** **“Away In a Manger”** **# 203**

Sermon **“What are we waiting for: A child to be born.”**
Rev. Nadia Stropich

The Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper

Invitation to the Table

Prayer

Words of Institution

Communion of God’s People (*by intinction*)

Lighting of the Candles

***Responsive Hymn** **“Silent Night! Holy Night!”**

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Silent night! Holy night! All is calm, All is bright
Round yon Virgin, Mother and Child
Holy Infant so Tender and mild,
Sleep in heavenly peace, Sleep in heavenly peace.

Silent night! Holy night! Shepherds quake at the sight,
Glories stream from heaven afar,
Heavenly hosts sing “Alleluia
Christ the Savior is born! Christ the Savior is born.”

Silent night! Holy night! Son of God, love's pure light
Radiant beams from Thy holy face
with the dawn of redeeming grace,
Jesus Lord at thy birth, Jesus Lord at thy birth.

Benediction

**Signifies Congregation to Stand*

*** Please extinguish the candles after the closing hymn and place them in the basket in the vestibule.*

We are glad that you have joined us for our Christmas Eve Services! We wish you and your family a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

If you are a visitor with us this evening, we invite you to come back and Worship with us again! Our services are:

Sunday Services

9:45 am **Sunday School for Adults, Youth & Children**

10:25 am **Fellowship Time**

11:00 am **Worship**

5:00 am **Children and Youth Programs**

Ministers of Providence Presbyterian Church

The People of Providence Presbyterian Church

Pastor

Rev. Nadia Stropich

Session

Class of 2019

<i>Children C.E.</i>	<i>Mission & Outreach</i>	<i>Worship</i>	<i>Clerk</i>
Vickie Faircloth	John Kopanski	Donna Stolle	Mary Ann Booth

Class of 2020

<i>Adult C.E.</i>	<i>Youth C.E.</i>	<i>Property</i>
David Collier	Kevin Creech	Steve Newnam

Class of 2021

<i>Financial</i>	<i>Congregational Care</i>	<i>Long Range Planning</i>
Sam Stephenson	Carolyn Johnson	Scott Martin

Staff

Accounting Treasurer

Sam Stephenson

Collections Treasurer

Ann Benson

Music Director/Organist/Pianist

Brittany Jones

Pianist

Angie Searcy

Secretary

Cindy Lynch

Website

David Nelms



Honoring our history.....building our future

Weekly Statistics

2019 General Fund Receipts through November	\$246,003.29
2019 General Fund Expenses through November.....	\$257,488.72
General Fund Receipts for November.....	\$23,823.87
General Fund Expenses for November	\$25,156.85
General Fund Receipts so far for December	\$32,457.11
General Fund Receipts for December 22	\$14,756.11
Attendance for Sunday School December 2272
Attendance for Worship December 22145

Pastor's Office Hours – The pastor will be in the office Monday - Thursday from 9:00 am until 12:00 pm with varying additional hours in the afternoons. All hours are subject to pastoral demands. If you would like to reach Rev. Nadia Stropich after office hours, please call 937-903-9487.

Secretary's Office Hours – Monday - Friday, 9:00 am – 1:00 pm. The office number is 919-894-4063.