## welcome to the First Baptist Church

of McMinnville, Oregon

Together we respond to the call of the Spirit and the teachings of Jesus to learn, love, serve, and seek justice and joy for all.

Prelude - Muriel Dresser

Sung Call to Worship: African Noel - Worship Team

Welcome - Rev. Erika Marksbury

Advent Litany, Candlelighting, & Song: Hope

Congregational Singing: O Little Town of Bethlehem

Advent Litany, Candlelighting, & Song: Peace

Music for Meditation & Prayer: The Night Sky - Nadya King

Advent Litany, Candlelighting, & Song: Joy - Kathleen Verigin

Children's Time - Sean P. Williams

Congregational Singing: Hark! the Herald Angels Sing

Advent Litany, Candlelighting, & Song: Love - John Linder

Reflection - Rev. Erika Marksbury

Song: O Holy Night - Tegan Johnson & Geoff Clayton

Advent Litany, Candlelighting, & Song: Christ

Congregational Singing: Silent Night

Benediction

Postlude - Muriel Dresser

Thanks to Geoff Clayton, Muriel Dresser, Marilyn Dresser,

and Tegan Johnson for leading our congregational singing.

Christmas Eve December 24, 2022

## Our Statement of Welcome & Affirmation

The First Baptist Church of McMinnville is a creative, thoughtful, inclusive American Baptist congregation. Following the example of Jesus, the urging of the Spirit, the call of God, the challenge of the prophets, the legacy of those who have gone before us, and the insistence of our own consciences, we affirm the dignity and worth of all creation. As we proclaim and work toward the reign of justice and peace, we welcome all people. We rejoice in our diversity and seek to understand our differences as ways of more fully encountering the beauty and complexity of the image of God. We commit to creating a community where people of all ages, abilities, genders, gender expressions, sexual orientations, races, ethnicities, nationalities, experiences, backgrounds, and situations are celebrated as full participants, as together we strive to be faithful followers and proclaimers of Good News.































## This Week's Events

Sunday, December 25 - CHRISTMAS DAY

10 am - Worship in the Sanctuary

Come in your pajamas for singing, sharing, and stations!

Monday, December 26
Holiday observed - office closed
9am - STARS Breakfast
7pm - Together Works

Tuesday, December 27 3pm - Meditation

Wednesday, December 28
3pm - Meditation
7pm - Sister Circle

Thursday, December 29
Music Rehearsals resume January 5

Friday, December 30
9am - STARS Breakfast
12n - Bible Study
7:30pm-7:30am - Community Shelter

Have a Happy New Year!
Sunday, January 1 - New Year's Day Worship, 10am
Pastor Erika preaching - her last prior leaving on sabbatical.

## **Upcoming Events**

Monday, January 2 9am - STARS Breakfast

Tuesday, January 3
3pm - Meditation

Wednesday, January 4 8am - Senior Breakfast

Thursday, January 5
5:30pm - Bells Rehearsal
6:30pm - Choir Rehearsal
7:30pm Worship Team Rehearsal

Friday, January 6
9am - STARS Breakfast
7:30pm-7:30am - Community Shelter

Sunday, January 8 Sunday Classes Resume 8:30am - Connections; 8:45am - Bereans & Chapel 10am - Worship

It's Pastor Tim's first Sunday with us, and Sam Ross is our guest preacher. Afterwards, the Climate Action Group hosts fellowship in the Gathering Room.

12:30pm - Aim Your Arrow: A Word of Intention Workshop, RSVP to kathleenverigin333@gmail.com

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