



*Forward together in Faith, Hope, and Love*

Sunday, December 15, 2024  
The Third Sunday in Advent  
Sunday School Pageant

### **We Prepare for Worship**

Organ Prelude

Preparing our Hearts:

*Look, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and they shall name him Emmanuel, which means, "God is with us." Mt. 1:23*

Prelude: *Prelude on "The Advent of our King" (Franconia) Henry Coleman*

\*Processional Come, thou long expected Jesus **#110**

Welcome and Community Life News

### **We Worship God**

The Call to Worship

*Jayden Peterson*

One: The Lord, your God, is in your midst.

**All: Let us sing with loud shout of praises!**

One: God rejoices over you with gladness and renews you with love.

**All: We will rejoice with all our hearts at what the Lord has done!**

One: With joy, draw water from the well of salvation in this time of worship.

**All: God is our salvation; we will trust and have no fear.**

One: Let us worship God.

Advent Candle Liturgy: **Advent 3 Insert**

*The Moradi Family*

Prayers of Adoration and Confession

The Lord's Prayer (*debts*)

The Assurance of Pardon

Minister: The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Praise Band

The Little Drummer Boy

Come they told me, pa rum pum pum pum  
A new born King to see, pa rum pum pum pum  
Our finest gifts we bring, pa rum pum pum pum  
To lay before the King, pa rum pum pum pum,  
rum pum pum pum, rum pum pum pum,

So to honor Him, pa rum pum pum pum,  
When we come.

Little Baby, pa rum pum pum pum  
I am a poor boy too, pa rum pum pum pum  
I have no gift to bring, pa rum pum pum pum  
That's fit to give the King, pa rum pum pum pum,  
rum pum pum pum, rum pum pum pum,

Shall I play for you, pa rum pum pum pum,  
On my drum?

Mary nodded, pa rum pum pum pum  
The ox and lamb kept time, pa rum pum pum pum  
I played my drum for Him, pa rum pum pum pum  
I played my best for Him, pa rum pum pum pum,  
rum pum pum pum, rum pum pum pum,

Then He smiled at me, pa rum pum pum pum  
Me and my drum

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Prayer for Illumination

Grace Girard

### **We Listen for God's Word**

### **Junior and Senior Sunday School Christmas Pageant**

(please remain seated for the hymns)

Hymn: O little town of Bethlehem

**#164 v.v. 1-2**

**God's Gift** Presented by our Pre-School and kindergarten  
Hymn: Away in a Manger **#149 v. 1**

**In the Fullness of Time** Presented by the Teen Class  
Hymn Hark! the herald angels sing **#139 v.1**

**A Tree full of Hope** Presented by the Elementary Class  
*Joy to the World* – sung by the Sunday School

### We Respond to God's Word

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession  
Offering of Tithes and Gifts  
\*Doxology **#830**  
\*Dedication of Offering  
\*Closing Hymn *Go tell it on the mountain* **#133**

### We are Sent Out as God's People

\*Charge and Benediction  
\*Sung Benediction

**Go now in peace, never be afraid,  
God will go with you each hour of every day.  
Go now in faith, steadfast, strong and true,  
Know God will guide you in all you do.  
Go now in love, and show you believe,  
Reach out to others so all the world can see.  
God will be there, watching from above.  
Go now in peace, in faith, and in love. Amen**

Organ Postlude: *Fughetta on "Antioch" (Joy to the world)*  
Richard Shephard

***\*if you are able, please stand***

*Welcome*

We welcome everyone who is worshiping here with us today. We hope that you feel comforted in our fellowship and that you leave here refreshed and inspired in your personal life. You are invited to fill out a pew card or sign the guest book in the lobby.

**\*\*We welcome all children in worship. All children under the age of 5 are welcome to remain in worship or go with a parent or guardian to our pre-school and nursery room in the Christian Education wing. Please speak to an usher for assistance.**

Thank you to our Sunday School students and teachers for participating in this year's TPC Sunday School Pageant.

*For Worship:  
Please silence and minimise use of cell phones.  
At the end of the service please enjoy the postlude.  
If you leave the sanctuary, please do so quietly. Thank you.*

### 2025 Offering Envelopes

**Your 2025 envelopes are ready for pick-up in the lobby.  
PLEASE take your envelopes home even if you are part of the  
PAR program (Pre-Authorized Remittance Program.)**

### 2024 DONATION DEADLINE

Donations must be received at TPC no later than midnight on Monday, December 30 to qualify for an official 2024 receipt for income tax purposes. If you are delivering a donation to the church when the office is closed, please drop your envelope into the mail slot in the wooden door west of the main entrance.

Thornhill Presbyterian Church Choirs Present:

**Voices of Hope**

THE STORY OF CHRISTMAS



Sunday, December 22, 2024 – 11:00 a.m.



## Evangel Hall Christmas Dinner

So far we have had a great response from the congregation in making food donations to the dinner which will be prepared and served by our senior youth group.

Our present needs include:

Cash donations	4 cooked turkeys
3 Cooked hams	1 large tub of Margarine
7 cans cranberry sauce	12 cans gravy
13 boxes of stove-top stuffing	2 pounds of butter

Sign up to donate at the table in the lobby.

**All food must be brought to the church on Sunday December 22.**

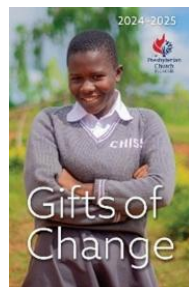
Thank you for supporting this important ministry!



### The Sock Tree

Throughout the Advent and Christmas season, we will be collecting warm men's and women's socks to be distributed to those in need through Evangel Hall Mission. This oft-overlooked item offers both physical and psychological benefits.

### PWS&D Giving Tree



The Presbyterian World Service & Development Gifts of Change catalogue provides a unique opportunity to buy a gift that matters for those "impossible to buy for" people on your gift list.

Pick up a copy of the catalogue on the table in the foyer or visit on-line at: [presbyterian.ca/pwsd/donate](http://presbyterian.ca/pwsd/donate)

Feel free to place a gift tag on the Giving Tree to acknowledge your gift.

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**Duty Elder: Sheila Gault and George Huang**

### UPCOMING WEEK'S EVENTS AT A GLANCE

#### Sunday December 15, 2024

9:30 am – 10:45 am

10:20 am

11:00 am

Pageant Rehearsal

Chancel Choir Practice – Chapel

Worship Service – Christmas Pageant

#### Tuesday December 17, 2024

10:00 am – 12:00 pm

1:30 pm

ESL Class – Chapel

WMS Meeting – Zoom

#### Thursday December 19, 2024

7:30 pm– 8:45 pm

Christmas Choir Practice - Chancel Choir – Sanctuary

#### Sunday December 22, 2024

10:00 am – 10:15 am

10:20 am – 10:45

11:00 am

Junior Choir – Chapel

Christmas Choir Practice - Chancel Choir – Chapel

Worship Service – Choir Cantata

### TPC 175<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Cookbooks!

The 175th Anniversary Cookbooks have arrived! They are on sale for \$20 each. A limited number of copies will be available after worship in the lobby every Sunday in December (or until we run out). Don't miss your chance to cook, celebrate and savour this piece of TPC history.



### The 2025 Presbyterian Wall Calendars

are available at the church and can be purchased for \$10.00 each.

Alternatively, you can reserve one by calling our Church Administrator Nadine.