

WORSHIP LEADERS for TODAY ~ January 4

9 AM: Greeter: Alaina Harvey
Host/ Hostess: Melinda Harvey
Worship Leader: Tom Jones
PP: Kirk Finley

11 AM: Usher: Dexter Gentle
Worship Leader: Neva Beasley
Readers: Tom Bell, Gail Birdsong

For this coming week ~ January 4-10

Care Center Pick Up: Connie Sharp
WAVE Team: Jeff & Vicki Irons

Worship leader schedules are available at
www.bigcovechurch.org.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Members: Brenda and Don Copeland; Jennifer Ferneau; Diane Lee; Wayne Deaton, Sandy Young, Mary Burnette
Friends & Relatives: Libby Survant (Kay Hershberger's grandson's mother-in-law); Roderick Burtram (Hazel Smith Burtram's husband); Don Burnette (Kay Gentle's brother)
The Church: Rev. Dr. Tammy Brown, Executive Presbyter
Military & International: All those serving in the armed forces
For our Nation: President Obama and our representatives.
For Big Cove Missions & Ministries: New Hope Children's Clinic; The CARE Center; Kairos Prison Ministry; The Vine Pastoral Counseling Center; The Presbyterian Home for Children [PHFC January birthdays: Brianna—turning 18]

HAPPY BIRTHDAY THIS WEEK!

Jeff Harris on the 8th

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Presbyterian Women will meet at the church on Mon Jan 5 at 10.

The Immersion Study of Luke will resume on Wed Jan 7 with the study at 6:00; BYO sack supper & fellowship at 5:30.

The Thursday Morning Prayer Group will resume meeting at 10 on Jan 8.

The Second Saturday Everybody Come Bible Time will meet Jan 10 at 9:30.

Annual Congregational Meeting and Election of Church Officers between services on January 18.

**WELCOME TO BIG COVE
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (USA)**



January 4, 2015

“First Light” Worship – Sundays at 9 AM

Guitarist: John Isom

Percussionist: Jimmy Jones

Traditional Worship – Sundays at 11 AM

Music Director: Carla Feehan

Pianist: Jennifer Salter

Rev. Rosemary McMahan & Rev. Houston Hodges

Nursery Available

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9 AM ~ FIRST LIGHT CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

Called by God, We Gather

Call to Worship ~ Ringing of the Bell

Song of Worship: Oh Com,e All Ye Faithful

Greeting: Welcoming Christ Among Us

Song to Prepare for Message: What Child Is This?

Spoken to by God, We Listen

Matthew 2: 1-12 681-682

The Message "Shining Like Stars"
Rev. Rosemary McMahan

Believing in God, We Respond

Praise Reports and Prayer Requests
Announcements

Celebrating Our Blessings

Offertory: We Three Kings

Blessed by God, We Give Thanks:

Communion Song: Sanctuary
Celebration of the Lord's Supper

(Silent Reflection)

Sent by God, We Go Out

Sending Song: Go Tell It on the Mountain

Blessing and Sending



11 AM ~ TRADITIONAL CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

Preparing for Worship

The prelude marks the beginning of worship and is observed in silence.

Prelude : "What Star Is This With Beams So Bright" arr. Vicki Collinsworth

Called by God, We Gather

One: O come, let us worship the Lord and consider what wondrous things God has done:

All: The Magi who study the heavens follow a guiding star!

One: O come, let us worship the Lord and consider what wondrous things God has done:

All: The peoples who live in the shadows see a glorious light!

One: O come, let us worship the Lord and consider what wondrous things God has done:

All: The Christ who embodies the Word unveils the hidden plan, making us joint heirs of the promise of salvation through the gospel!

O come, let us worship the Lord, for God has done wondrous things!

Song of Worship: People Look East 161

Confession and Pardon

One: The light has come into the world, and people loved darkness rather than light because their deeds were evil. Let us confess our sin to God.

All: O God, our guide, who once used a star to lead people to Christ, we confess our poor sense of direction.

We let ourselves become confused, easily distracted, and lose our way. We fail to follow the signs you provide. Forgive our waywardness, O God. Lead us to the Christ so that we may follow his way to you. We humbly ask this. Amen.

One: The true light that gives light to everyone was coming into the world.

To all who have received him, to those who believe in his name, he gave the right to become children of God. Rejoice! Our sins are forgiven!

Response Glory Be to the Father 734

Greeting: Welcoming Christ Among Us

Spoken to by God, We Listen

Anthem: "Rejoice With Exceeding Great Joy" arr. Marty Parks 528

Old Testament Isaiah 60:1-6 528

Response Psalm 72:1-11 414

Epistle Ephesians 4: 17-24; 5:8-10 828-829

Song of Reflection: We Three Kings (First Stanza only) 233

Gospel: Matthew 2: 1-12 681-682

Sermon: "Shining Like Stars"
Rev. Rosemary McMahan

Believing in God, We Respond

People's Prayers
Announcements

Celebrating Our Blessings

Offertory : "We Three Kings" arr. Bethany K. Smith

Doxology 34
Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him all creatures here below; praise him above ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Celebrating The Lord's Supper

*Invitation ~ Great Thanksgiving ~ Communion of the People
The Body of Christ given for you! The Blood of Christ shed for you!*

The Lord's Prayer (in unison)
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, the power and the glory forever. Amen.

Sent by God, We Go Out

Song of Sending: Go, Tell It on the Mountain 218
Blessing and Sending

Postlude: "March of the Three Kings" arr. Edward Broughton

The flowers today are offered to the glory of God.