

**First Sunday after Christmas  
December 31, 2017**



**Delta Presbyterian Church**

**Strengthening** Christ in us

**Sharing** Christ among us

**Showing** Christ around us

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**Order Of Worship  
December 31, 2017  
1<sup>st</sup> Sunday after Christmas Day**

Prelude

Frederick Isaac, Pianist

Tolling of the Bells

**Gathering for Worship**

Story and Song

Sue Keys, Lay Leader

Scripture

**Luke 2:4-7**

Song

**What Child Is This? (vs. 1,3)**

Prayer of Confession

**God of love,**

**all year long we pursue power and money,  
yet you come in weakness.**

**All season long we covet great material gifts,  
when you alone offer what is lasting.**

**Through the work of this Lord Jesus,  
who comes among us full of grace and truth,  
forgive us,  
heal us,  
correct us.**

**Then open our lips,  
and remake our lives by  
Strengthening Christ in us,  
Sharing Christ among us, and  
Showing Christ around us.**

**Amen.**

Assurance of Pardon John 1:9, 12

The true light that shines on all people  
was coming into the world.

**But those who did welcome him,  
those who believed in his name,  
he authorized to become God's children,**

The peace of Christ be with you.

**And also with you.**

\*\*Passing of the Peace

\*\*Response

**Love Has Come (vs. 1,3)**

Story and Song

**Luke 2:8-15**

**The First Nowell (vs.1,6)**

Scripture

**Acts 20:32-35**

Story

**Kiki's Hats** written by Warren Hanson

Rev. Wendy S. Pratt

\*\*Hymn

**Called as Partners in Christ's Service (vs. 1,2,4)**

## Sharing Christ Among Us-- Showing Christ Around Us

Offering

\*\*Response **Joy to the World** (vs 1,4)

Life in the Community

Prayers for Those Among & Around Us/Lord's Prayer

\*\*Closing Hymn **Angels from the Realms of Glory** (vs. 1,2,4)

\*\*Challenge & Blessing

\*\*Closing Response **I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light** (vs. 1)

Postlude

*\*\* Please stand if you are able to do so*

### Next Sunday

**Sunday, January 7, 2018, Epiphany/Baptism of the Lord.** The Scripture Lessons are Isaiah 60:1-6 and Mark 1:4-11, and the Proclamation of the Word is entitled "Arise, Shine". During the service, we will have the Change for Change collection for Children's Ministry, and we will celebrate the Sacrament of Holy Communion. We will also ordain and install new Deacons and Elders. There is a Fellowship Meal after the service.



## Welcome to Delta Presbyterian Church!

We are pleased to have you worshipping with us this morning. We provide this information to help you fully participate in the worship of God. Please take a moment to sign the guest book on the stand in the back of the sanctuary (worship space) to the left of the drinking fountain. We invite you to stay for our fellowship time following the service. Feel free to help yourself to the coffee and hot water (for tea) that is available in the back of the sanctuary before and after

worship.

Everything you need to participate in worship is on the screen. If you are able, you are invited to stand when the congregation stands.

Restrooms are in the back of the sanctuary on the left.

There is information on the activities at Delta on the counter in the Commitment Center. The Commitment Center is on your left as you leave the sanctuary.

We welcome the sound of children in worship. If your young child is distracting to **you**, you are welcome to do any of the following:

- Get up and move to the back. The colorful bags have small items designed to keep children busy. They are welcome to play with them on the floor in front of the Commitment Center, or you may take the bags to your seats.
- There is a nursery available downstairs. Exit the sanctuary via the door on the right and go straight down the stairs. The nursery (101) is at the foot of the steps on the right. Pagers are available to notify you if your child needs you.
- There is a cry room (202) where you can take your child. Instead of going downstairs, go down the hall and the cry room is on the right. You can view the worship service through a window. The cry room is equipped with a changing table.

Preschool through early elementary children are dismissed following the Children's Sermon. They may either return to their seats, or go downstairs to the Nursery (101 infants & toddlers), or Sunday School (Room 107) Older elementary and youth are dismissed during the offering to go down to the gathering room, except when there is a Fellowship Meal following worship. There are clipboards with worksheets for them to fill out and take downstairs with them.

### Church Office Hours

Tuesday - Friday, 9:00am – 3:00pm

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