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Minister of Word and Sacrament: Rev. Dr. Pablo R. Diaz
Musicians: Dr. Chris Dekker, Natalie and Miguel Gonzalez, Moorings Children's Choir, David Mastrengelo (Violin), Lani Mastrengelo (Viola)
Liturgists: Hannah Foley, Vanessa Johnston, Charlotte Marshall
Nativity: (Angel) James Arpin, (Mary) Serena Dowling, (Joseph) Joseph Gust, (Shepherds) Steven Foley, Cooper Gartz, Weston Gentzel, Zack Vanover
Advent Wreath: Peter, Ashley, Lilly, Henry, and Maggie Johnson
Acolytes: Wyett and Owen Witmer

GIVING & HOURS

Year End Giving

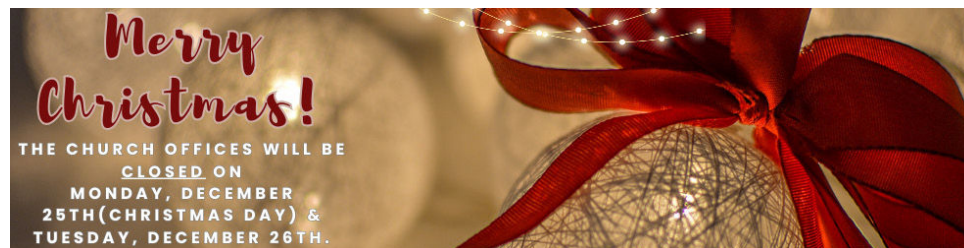
Fulfill your 2023 Charitable Giving Plan and donate to Moorings before year-end! Please ensure your gift is hand-delivered to Moorings, postmarked and mailed, or successfully processed online by 11:59pm on December 31, 2023.

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Appreciated securities can be a tax-efficient way to fund your 2023 annual commitment or prepay your 2024 commitment. Many of our members and friends give this way, which helps support our ministries throughout the year.

Stewardship

Making pledges for 2024 is easy by visiting the Moorings Website and clicking on "Give."



Visitors

If it's your first time worshipping with us, we invite you to let us know on our Friendship Pads or check in using the link at the bottom of our website, mooringschurch.org. You can also stop by the Welcome Kiosk in the Narthex after the service to learn more about us. We would love to connect with you!



Need Prayer?

We want to pray for you! If you or someone you know desires prayer, please visit mooringschurch.org and make a prayer request. Scroll to the bottom of the homepage and select "prayers- make a request." You may also send your prayer requests to executiveassistant@mooringschurch.org.



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CELEBRATE
Christmas Eve
DECEMBER 24th, 2023
Family Worship
5:00PM
 Moorings Presbyterian Church
 791 Harbour Drive
 Naples, FL 34103

MOORINGS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Lives Transformed for Christ

5:00 PM Christmas Eve Service

Candles are available in the Narthex.

LED Candles are available for children's use.

The Church provides a professionally staffed nursery for infants and young children to age 4, though your children are certainly invited to stay and participate in worship with you.

PRELUDE

***Christmas Angels
Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus
Joy to the World***

arr. Lloyd Larson

WELCOME

Rev. Dr. Pablo R. Diaz

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

Johnson Family

INTROIT

Light of the World

Lauren Daigle

*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Tonight we are reminded

All: Of how the first Christmas came to be.

One: Tonight we celebrate

All: The birth of the new born king.

One: Tonight we reflect

All: On what this means for you and me.

Charlotte Marshall

*CAROL 133

O Come, All Ye Faithful

ADESTE FIDELES

O come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant!

O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem!

Come and behold him, born the King of angels.

Refrain: O come, let us adore him, O come, let us adore him,

O come, let us adore him, Christ the Lord!

God from true God, and Light from Light eternal,

born of a virgin, to earth he comes!

Only-begotten Son of God the Father: [Refrain]

Sing, choirs of angels, sing in exultation,

sing, all ye citizens of heav'n above!

Glory to God, all glory in the highest: [Refrain]

Yea, Lord, we greet thee, born this happy morning;

Jesus, to thee be all glory giv'n!

Word of the Father, now in flesh appearing: [Refrain]

*CHRISTMAS AFFIRMATION

God of surprising love and hope, we come this evening to the manger, gazing lovingly on the child born to bring hope to the world. Open our hearts tonight as we hear the story anew. Help us to be guided by the Light of Jesus Christ, that we may truly feel the power of your love and assurance of the peace that you can offer. Empower us to share that love and peace, with a joyful heart, to all we meet.

*PASSING OF CHRISTMAS JOY AND PEACE

WORD FOR CHILDREN

Alicia Rowland

CHRISTMAS PRAYER and THE LORD'S PRAYER

Rev. Dr. Pablo R. Diaz

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, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

CALL FOR OFFERING and PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Rev. Dr. Pablo R. Diaz

OFFERTORY

Everything Changed

Eddie Kirkland

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 1:26-38

Vanessa Johnston

James Arpin

CAROL 121

O Little Town of Bethlehem

ST LOUIS

O little town of Bethlehem, how still we see thee lie!

Above thy deep and dreamless sleep the silent stars go by.

Yet in thy dark streets shineth the everlasting light;

The hopes and fears of all the years are met in thee tonight.

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 2:1-7

CAROL 145

What Child Is This

GREENSLEEVES

What child is this, who, laid to rest

On Mary's lap, is sleeping?

Whom angels greet with voices sweet

While shepherds watch are keeping?

This, this is Christ the King

Whom shepherds guard and angels sing:

Haste, haste to bring Him laud,

The Babe, the Son of Mary!

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 2:8-14

Hannah Foley

CAROL 113

Angels We Have Heard on High

GLORIA

Angels we have heard on High,

sweetly singing over the plains,

and the mountains in reply e

choing their joyous strains:

Gloria, in excelsis Deo!

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 2:15-20

*CAROL 136

Go, Tell it on the Mountain

GO TELL IT

[Refrain] Go, tell it on the mountain, over the hills and everywhere;

Go, tell it on the mountain that Jesus Christ is born.

While shepherds kept their watching o'er silent flocks by night,

Behold, throughout the heavens there shone a holy light. [Refrain]

Down in a lowly manger the humble Christ was born,

And God sent us salvation that blessed Christmas morn. [Refrain]

MESSAGE

Rev. Dr. Pablo R. Diaz

LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES

(From the Christ Candle, the light will be passed from ushers to seated worshipers along the aisles, and then from worshiper to worshiper in each row. Please tip your unlit candle toward the upright lit candle when receiving the flame).

CAROL

Silent Night, Holy Night

STILLE NACHT

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.

Silent night, holy night! Wondrous star, lend thy light;

With the angels let us sing, Alleluia to our King;

Christ the Savior is born, Christ the Savior is born.

*BENEDICTION

(Please extinguish your candle following the Benediction, and place it in a basket as you leave the Sanctuary. Children may keep their LED candles, symbolically taking the Light of Christ out into the waiting world.)

POSTLUDE

Bring a Torch, Jeanette, Isabella

Keith Chapman

*Please stand as you are able.

