

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

FIRST SUNDAY OF CHRISTMAS

DECEMBER 30, 2018

WE GATHER TOGETHER

Prelude

Chiming of the Hour

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

In Christ the fullness of time has come

The Spirit and the Son are with us

As beloved children of God we pray:

Shine in our lives Lord Jesus

Prayer of the Day

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray: **Loving God, in your child Jesus Christ our eyes have truly seen your glory and the wonder of your saving power. By your Spirit send us out in peace proclaiming good news to people, sharing the light of your revelation, growing in strength and wisdom, and worshiping you night and day, through Christ your promised word. AMEN.**

*Opening Hymn

Joy to the World

Red Hymnal, p. 134

*Call to Confession

*Prayer of Confession (unison)

God our savior, we confess that we fail to live in your light. You reveal your saving love, but we have hidden your love from others. You claim us as your children, but we do not claim you as our God.

Forgive us God of grace. Let your will be done in our lives so that we may live in peace according to your word; through Jesus Christ our Lord. AMEN.

*The Assurance of Forgiveness

*Passing the Peace

We pass the peace of Christ to one another as a sign of being reconciled in Christ.

The Peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

Response

Glory Be to the Father

Red Hymnal, p. 581

***Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end.
Amen. Amen.***

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

Old Testament Lesson

Isaiah 11:1-9

Pew Bible, p. 640

Anthem

Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming

Red Hymnal, p. 129

New Testament Lesson

Luke 2:22-40

Pew Bible, p. 59

Sermon

Departing in Peace as a New Work Begins

Rev. John Kidd

*Hymn of Response

Hark! The Herald Angels Sing

Red Hymnal, p. 119

SERVICE OF INSTALLATION

*Profession of Faith (responsive)

With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

Do you believe in God, the Father almighty?

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

Do you believe in Jesus Christ?

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived
by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

Do you believe in the Holy Spirit?

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. AMEN.**

WE RESPOND

Offering of our Gifts and Offertory

The Doxology

Blue Hymnal, p. 592

*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. Amen.*

*The Prayer of Dedication

Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer (using "debts")

WE GO OUT IN FAITH, IN LOVE, IN SERVICE

*Hymn

Go, My Children, with My Blessing

Red Hymnal, p. 547

*Charge and Benediction

*Chiming of the Trinity

*Postlude

*Those who are able may stand.

We thank our worship leaders: Rev. John Kidd and Gene Crenshaw, organist.

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Bobby Nelson

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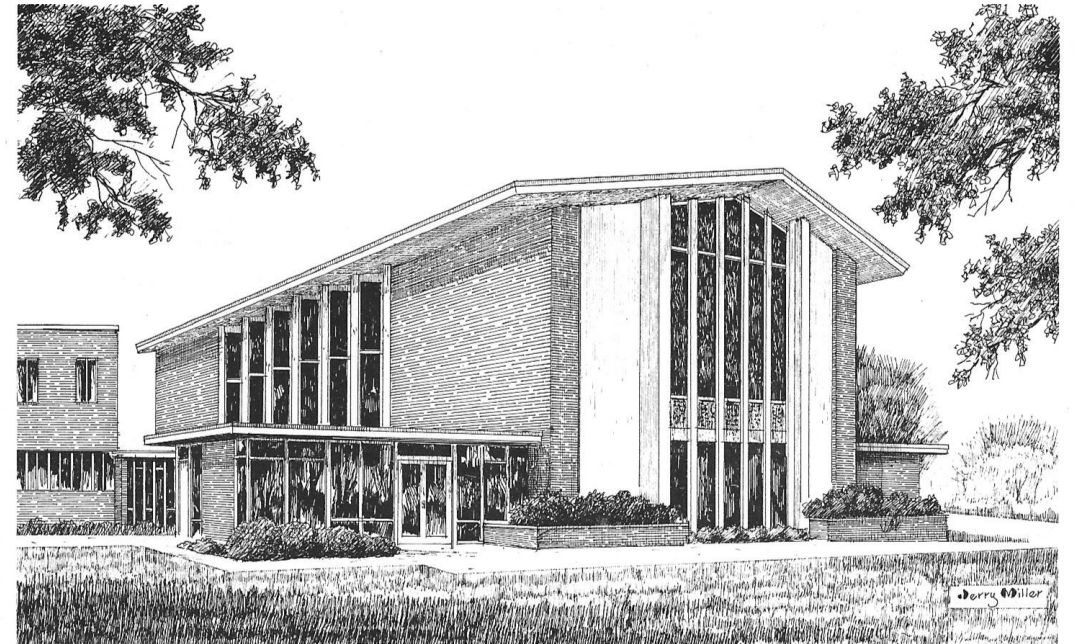
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Milner Memorial Presbyterian Church



GOD CALLS!
WE WELCOME ALL
IN FAITH... IN LOVE... IN SERVICE



MORE LIGHT
PRESBYTERIANS

Presbytery of
New
Hope