Worship, Work, Life Together

TODAY! Soup and Sandwich Potluck is served in Fellowship Hall after Christmas Cantata

10:00 am, Outreach and Mission, Fellowship Hall Dec. 15

> 5:15 pm, ADVENT STUDY! Childcare and light meal provided. (Chicken & Dumplings, Salad and Brownies drizzled with Carmel)

Study is led by Rev. Angela, "Christmas: The Good, the Bad, and the

Ugly", Fellowship Hall

6:00 pm, Al-Anon, Memorial Hall

4:30 pm, Session, Fellowship Hall Dec. 16 6:00 pm, Piano Recital, Sanctuary

12:00 pm, Wednesday Theologians Men's Study, Admin Building Dec. 17

> 3:00 pm, Choir Practice 4:30 pm, Presby Kids

Dec. 19 1:30 pm, Kids depart for Camp Gilmont

Rev. Angela's Sabbath

Bridge Articles Due TODAY! Dec. 20

10:00 am, Women's Way Out, Memorial Hall

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

Dec. 24, Christmas Eve Candlelight and Communion Worship

Church office will be closed beginning Dec. 23 at noon. We will return January 5, 2026.

Have a very Blessed Holiday and New Year!

Sharon Curry will be on call: 817-736-6808 or 214-393-5625



Winter Vacation Bible School January 5, 6 and 7, 2026, 9:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

Volunteers Needed for this laid-back VBS. Only 2 hours a day for 3 days! Contact Julie Dean if you can help, (318) 751-8367.

A sample day: We snack, we have a fun skit, we play our own version of Olympic games, and we have a craft activity.

Register Online NOW! Or go to the church office...The theme is "The Olympics: Winter Games 2026." The Bible verse for the curriculum is: "All who take part in the games train hard. They do it to get a crown that will not last. But we do it to get a crown that will last forever." 1 Corinthians 9:25. Welcoming children grades K-5.

> ~Please remember these friends in prayer this week. ~ Carl, Jack, Janet, Janice, Joyce, Larry, Mike, Nicole, Sandi, Terry, Homebound, and Visitors God loans us

Rev. Angela will greet you by the exit doors outside the Sanctuary. Visitors find your welcome sweet treat on the Communication Corner Table If you wish to join this Faith Family, please let Elder Linda lesomervill@charter.net or Rev. Angela know 620-388-5780

Communication Corner: West entrance

(Hearing assistance devices, signup sheets, Daily Bread devotionals, and information about the church)

Restroom near East Exit

An invitation is extended in the name of Jesus Christ, to anyone who desires to unite with our church fellowship either by profession of faith or by a letter of transfer. The pastor will be happy to confer with you either after the service or during the week if you make your wishes known.

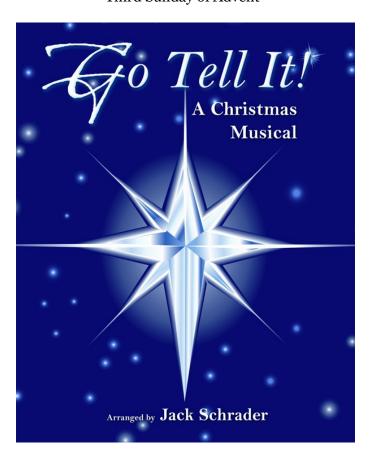
We, God's ministers, depart to serve

Our Mission: It is our calling to share the good news of the Gospel through generous outreach and hospitality, nurturing worship and study, compassionate care and fellowship, striving together to faithfully discern God's will for the ministry of First Presbyterian Church in this world.

First Presbyterian Church



Granbury, Texas December 14, 2025 Third Sunday of Advent





First Presbyterian Church 303 W. Bridge St. Granbury, Texas 76048 www.fpcgranbury.org office@fpcgranbury.com

Sunday Worship Service: 10:00 am

fpcgranbury.org/live/

Rev. Angela Madden Scott

Music Priscilla Allen, Music Director Janet Everitt, Organist

Nursery

Jessica Roberson, Lead Nursery Attendant Heather Albrecht, Nursery Attendant

Photography

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Admin Team

Gail Deckert, Administrative Assistant Glenn Goforth, Maintenance

Office Hours M –Th. 8am -4pm 202 West Pearl Street, 817-573-2337

We welcome you to worship this morning at First Presbyterian Church!

Please Sign the Friendship Pad so your attendance may be recorded. If you are visiting, fill in your address so we may acknowledge your presence.

Nursery care is available in Fellowship Hall from 8:30 am to after worship.

If you have questions about church or about membership, we'd love to hear from you. Please contact the church office at 817-573-2337, or visit our website www.fpcgranbury.org.

Videography for live-streaming is in process, and camera movements change throughout the service!

Order for the Lord's Day-Joy Sunday

Please silence your phone during worship We Prepare to Worship God

Overture "Go Tell It"

Welcome/Our Life Together

Rev. Angela Madden Scott

Matt and Sarah Naper

This is the day the Lord has made!

Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

Ringing of the Church Bell Major Scott

Sharing of Announcements and Words of Welcome

Prelude "O Rest in the Lord" F. Mendelssohn

Hymn 85 (remain seated) "Light One Candle to Watch for Messiah" Vs. 1-3 TIF IN VELDELE

Advent Wreath Lighting (1 pink and 2 purple candles are lit)

One: The light shines in the darkness.

All: Jesus Christ is the Light in the darkness.

One: He comes to his own.

All: All who believe in him are born of God.

Presby Kids Chime Choir Directed by Bianca Brownfield & Nancy Bennett

Ben, Sabrina, and Bianca Brownfield

*Hymn 113 "Angels We Have Heard on High" GLORIA

*Silent Confession

(A time of silence to contemplate these words and how they apply to us personally and as a community of faith)

*Sharing the Peace

Rev. Angela Madden Scott

*Gloria Patri 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 Proclaim the Word

"GO TELL IT"

A Christmas Musical Arr. by Jack Schrader

I. Angels from the Realms of Glory

II. Come, Messiah, Come

III. How Great Our Joy

IV. Still, Still, Still

Call to Offering

Faithful God, faithful witness. Sovereign Lord, thank you for holding our lives, and the lives of all peoples, in your hands. Let there be peace on Earth and let it begin with me. Amen.

Offertory

"Of the Father's Love Begotten"

Plainsong

*The Doxology 606

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

*Please rise in body or spirit

** Recycle Bins are located by the exit doors.

V. Mary, Did You Know

VI. Silent Night

VII. Christmas Medley

VIII. Go Tell It We Are Sent to Serve

*Sending Song 132

"Good Christian Friends, Rejoice"

IN DULCI JUBILO

*Charge and Benediction

May the stars be extra bright,

May the song of the angels be clear,

May the love of God hold you today, and

May God bring joy to you and all who are near.

All: AMEN. AMEN. AMEN.

Dismissal Good News, Great Joy!

By Ruth Morris Gray

Sanctuary Choir

Dolores Adams Linda Allen

Jack Gilmore Stephanie Golightly

David Hinterleiter Julia Hinterleiter

Sherry Johnson Becky Kubiak

Liz Lacy Jan Massengale

Stan Metcalf Nancy Mielke
Chris Moore Janet Moore

Keith Nolan Linda Nolan

Sandi Ricketson John Stahlman

Director: Priscilla Allen

Accompanist: Janet Everitt

Sound Engineer: Jay Bole

NARRATORS

Rev. Angela Madden Scott and Daren Hardin

The Christmas story is really the essence of the Gospel, the good news. The best news imaginable. It is the story of the Son of God becoming the Son of Man, the second person of the triune God humbling himself to become like us, one of us, so he could be our eternal Savior. Therefore, the focus of this cantata is rightfully Jesus Christ, the Messiah.

After hearing the Christmas story, after hearing the good news, this "best news imaginable," it is only natural to expect a response. May the hope of the remnant be your hope. May the joy of the shepherds be your joy. May the wonder of Mary and Joseph be real to you this Christmas. And, may you overflow with anticipation at the prospect of telling others about the Savior. **GO TELL IT!**

-Jack Schrader