

Elderton Presbyterian Church
4th Sunday of Advent
December 23, 2018

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Prelude

ACOLYTE – Kirsten Manarelli

Welcome and Announcements

GATHERING

Fourth Sunday- The Light of Joy

Responsive Litany

During Advent, we remember the light that shines in the darkness,
But the darkness has not overcome it.

Though sorrow may last for the night, joy comes in the morning.

For all who face the sting of loss, God's word speaks:

Though sorrow may last for the night, joy comes in the morning.

For all who wrestle with the unknown of tomorrow, God's word speaks:

Though sorrow may last for the night, joy comes in the morning.

For all who battle the questions that arise in the silence, God's word speaks:

Though sorrow may last for the night, joy comes in the morning.

Lighting of the **Fourth Candle**- Lift Up Your Eyes – Choir

Readings: Susan and Luke Schrecengost

*Hymn No. 25 "Away in the Manger" MUELLER

*Moment of Silent Confession

*Assurance of Pardon

*Gloria Patri – page 579

Installation & Ordination of New Elders & Deacons (see insert)

THE WORD

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

The Twelve Symbols of Christmas

Under the direction of Hannah Schrecengost and Carmen Riggle
(see insert)

SENDING

*Hymn No. 37 "Infant Holy, Infant Holy" W ZEOBIE LEZY

*Benediction

*Congregational Response: : "Emmanuel"

Emmanuel, Emmanuel, His name is called Emmanuel; God be with us,
revealed in us; His name is called Emmanuel.

*Postlude

(*) Congregation Standing

We ask that all visitors please fill out the Welcome card found in the
pew racks and place in the offering plate. We also ask that our members
use this card to request other needs.

A nursery is available for your convenience located in the Adult
Sunday School Room. Nursery begins after the Children's Sermon. **(for
children 5 years old and younger)**

Headsets for those with hearing impairment are available for use
during worship. See Cassie or sound system person to get one.

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS: All those mentioned in prayer

PRAYER CHAIN REQUEST CONTACT – Martha Dyott (724-801-8447)

GREETERS TODAY –Mark & Regina Schrecengost

GREETERS NEXT WEEK – Shirley Schall & Sharon Aikins

NURSERY NEXT WEEK –Sheila Brumbaugh

ACOLYTE NEXT WEEK – Braden Tutak

SHUT-IN OF THE WEEK: Alice Elgin, Grey's Colonial Acres,
272 Colonial Road, Kittanning, PA 16201

VISITATION TEAMS FOR DECEMBER:

Elder: Nancy Schrecengost Deacons: Nathan Johns
Ryan Scrips

CHANCEL FLOWERS FOR DECEMBER: Nancy Schrecengost

We would like to take this opportunity to thank the children, Hannah Schrecengost, Carmen Riggle & adviser Jeanne Speer for their efforts in presenting today's Christmas program.

Cookie Social today after Worship

THIS WEEK:

CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE – 7:30 P.M. – CANDLE LIGHTING

COMING UP:

December 30 – Eric & Mark Schrecengost – Worship Leaders

Our best to Rick & Prudy Sweeney as they head south for the winter. Rick you have been a blessing to this church. Safe Travels.

As with the Easter & Fall offering, a Christmas Offering will be collected today. The offering will stay local and be used to help those in our surrounding area that need help.

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WORSHIP - 10:30 AM



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