

Ordination and Installation of Officers

Elders: Brandon Board*, Erin Clemons, Beth Schlegel*, Josh Weir

Deacons: Arlene Beslic, Jane and Bruce Burkelman, Beth Burner*, Diane Gilmer, Mike Komma*, Rachel Koritala, Sue and John Lies*, Bonnie Olson, Kathi Olson, Sarah Reid, Tammy Sova, Pat Todd, Cindy Wills*

**Being ordained and installed*

Morning Prayers & Lord's Prayer

To receive personal prayer, please submit a Prayer Request Card or email prayer@knoxpres.org

SENDING

*Hymn # 525, Blue Hymnal

"Here I am, Lord"

Receive your 2023 Star from the baskets while we sing!

*Benediction

***Postlude:** "Sing We Now Of Christmas" French Carol



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KNOX PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



JANUARY 8, 2023

9 AM SERVICE

WELCOME

GATHERING

Prelude: "Some Children See Him" by Alfred Burt

Welcome, Announcements & Offering

Rev. Dr. David Bruner

Tithes and offerings may be given online as directed on the back of the bulletin or in person by placing your gift in the offering box at the back of the sanctuary.

***Greeting Time**

***Call to Worship**

One: People of God, arise, shine, for your light has come!

All: The light of Christ has come into the world. Emmanuel. God with us.

One: We will follow the light— when it shines brightly in the night sky and when it glows dimly on the horizon.

All: We will follow the light as it leads us to Christ, and when we encounter Him, may our hearts be overwhelmed with joy.

One: When we are in the presence of Emmanuel, may our knees bend in worship.

All: When our journey brings us to Jesus, may our hands open in generous sharing; may our mouths open in generous praise.

***Opening Hymn #554, Blue Hymnal**

"Let All Things Now Living"

Unison Prayer of Confession

God of light and darkness, we have seen the glimmer of your star-light beckoning to us, but we have turned away and followed other paths.

We confess that we have not loved you with all our heart, with all our soul, with all our mind, and with all our strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. Forgive us, Holy One. Strengthen our faltering steps and guide us in your holy way of peace.

*Please stand as you are able.

Assurance of Pardon

***Hymn of Response: #654, Red Hymnal**

"Change My Heart, O God"

LISTENING

Children's Message

Erin Hartman

Children are dismissed to Sunday School

Anthem: "As with Gladness Men of Old"

Sermon: STAR SUNDAY: How to Hear God's Voice

Jeremiah 29:11; John 10:1-10

Rev. Becca Bruner

RESPONDING

***Apostle's Creed**

Sacrament of Holy Communion

We celebrate open communion: all who seek Jesus as Lord are welcome to this table. Children of believers may participate at their parents' discretion. You are invited, row by row, to walk down the center aisles to take a piece of bread and a cup of juice, and partake when you are ready. Gluten-Free bread and pre-packaged elements are available at the center serving station. As you return to your seat by the side aisles, members of our prayer team are available in the back to pray with you. If you are unable to walk forward, a server will bring the elements to you.

Special Music During Communion: " O God, Our Help in Ages Past" and "Amazing Grace" arr. Sylvia Wood

Emma Burck, harp