

**Naomi Makemie Presbyterian Church
December 24, 2023 Large Print**

Onancock, VA

Our Mission Statement

“Do what is fair and just to your neighbor, be compassionate and loyal in your love, and don’t take yourself too seriously—take God seriously.” Micah 6:8

Compassionate, Fair and Loyal

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Welcome to worship! We are glad you joined us today. If you are seeking a church home, we invite you to join in the fellowship and ministry of this congregation. We look forward to seeing you again. Please fill out one of the visitor cards and drop it in the offering plate.

Prayer Concerns Carolyn Lin, Meg Adams, Alicia McCarter, Alverna St John, John Adams, Marshall Ryon

Thank you to Nancy Bateman and Linda Arvidson for hosting coffee hour.
Thank you to Dave Wilson for being our reader today.

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December 24, 2023 Fourth Sunday in Advent

***Asterisk is to stand in body or spirit. Bold print is congregational response.**

Prelude

Welcome/Announcements

Choral Opening

Dancing into the Promise

Beall/ Carter

Lighting of the Advent Wreath

Nielsen Family

Opening Prayer

O Holy God, light of the world, ruler of the nations, joy of all creation, let your love come down. Let your grace pour over us. Do not let us go, stay with us now and forever. Amen.

*Opening Hymn

The First Nowell v. 1&2

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Prayer of Confession

Gracious God, we anticipate the birth of our newborn savior. Yet we are depressed by the suffering and despair of our world. Our hearts grow hard with hopelessness. What reason is there to rejoice? We question your power and doubt our faith. Emmanuel, help us resist the overwhelming forces that drag us down. Lift our spirits so we can experience your transcendent presence and incarnate grace. Amen

Words of Assurance

***Gloria Patri #579 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.**

*Affirmation of Faith: **Apostle's Creed**

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ his only son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Reading Luke 1:39-46

Anthem *Silent Night*

Sermon Love Rev. Monica Gould

*Hymn *Infant Holy, Infant Lowly* #37

Prayers of the People & The Lord's Prayer

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

Offering/Offertory

*Doxology:

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.

*Hymn *Hark the Herald Angels Sing* #30

Benediction

Choral Benediction *Come Thou Long Expected Jesus*

Postlude

Church News

This Week: December 24th – 30th

December 24th – Christmas Eve Candlelight and Communion @ 7:00 pm

Upcoming Events:

January 4th – Unhanging of the Greens @ 4:00 pm

