



WELCOME TO KINGSTON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH WORSHIP CELEBRATION

FIRST SUNDAY OF CHRISTMAS

December 29, 2019

11:00 AM

Welcome! During this time of worship, it is our hope that you will feel the presence of God with you as the Word is shared through prayer, scripture, the sermon and music. We are grateful for your presence and invite you to participate in the worship, fellowship and the mission of this church family. During your time with us, may you experience God's grace. We're so glad you're with us this morning!

Please notify the pastor when you or a family member is in the hospital or in need of a pastoral visit.

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**FIRST SUNDAY OF CHRISTMAS AND
12 DAYS OF CHRISTMAS LESSONS & CAROLS**

The song The Twelve Days of Christmas was written as a Christian creed and served as a catechism, or way of learning Christian teachings. Each verse refers to a teaching of the church, and the "True Love," who gives the gifts in the song, refers to God the Creator. Our service today explores the meaning behind each of these twelve gifts through scripture, reflection and music.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

DISCIPLES GATHER IN

Prelude: *A Christmas Carol*

Robert J Powell

DISCIPLES APPROACH GOD TO WORSHIP

CALL TO WORSHIP

Karen Emmons

Praise the Lord! Praise God, all angels, sun, moon and shining stars!

I rejoice in the Lord, for God is my salvation!

We continue to celebrate the birth of Christ,
for God is faithful and worthy of praise. Amen.

***OPENING HYMN** *The Twelve Days of Christmas*

**On the twelfth day of Christmas my true love gave to me:
Twelve Drummers Drumming, Eleven Pipers Piping,
Ten Lords a Leaping, Nine Ladies Dancing,
Eight Maids a Milking, Seven Swans a Swimming,
Six Geese a Laying, Five Golden Rings,
Four Calling Birds, Three French Hens,
Two Turtle Doves, and a Partridge in a Pear Tree!**

***Prayer of Adoration and the Lord's Prayer (debts)**

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DISCIPLES LISTEN TO THE WORD OF THE LORD

Children's Time

Pastor Sharyl

THE FIRST DAY OF CHRISTMAS: *Partridge in a Pear Tree*

Scripture: Matthew 23:37

Reflection: Jesus Christ

Hymn: *What Child is This* [v. 1]

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THE SECOND DAY OF CHRISTMAS: *Two Turtle Doves*

Scripture: 1Timothy 4:13

Reflection: Old and New Testaments

THE THIRD DAY OF CHRISTMAS: *Three French Hens*

Scripture: Matthew 2:1-2, 11

Reflection: Gold, Frankincense and Myrrh

Hymn: *We Three Kings* [v.1]

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[Prayer cards collected]

THE FOURTH DAY OF CHRISTMAS: *Four Calling Birds*

Scripture: John 21:24-25

Reflection: Matthew, Mark, Luke and John

Hymn: *Go, Tell it on the Mountain* [v. 3]

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THE FIFTH DAY OF CHRISTMAS: *Five Golden Rings*

Scripture: Luke 24:25-27

Reflection: The Pentateuch

Hymn: *Still, Still, Still* [v. 1]

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THE SIXTH DAY OF CHRISTMAS: *Six Geese A-Laying*

Scripture: Genesis 1:31-2:1

Reflection: Six Days of Creation

Hymn: *All Things Bright and Beautiful* [v. 1]

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THE SEVENTH DAY OF CHRISTMAS: *Seven Swans A-Swimming*

Scripture: 1 Corinthians 12:4-5

Reflection: Seven Gifts of the Holy Spirit

Hymn: *Good Christian Friends, Rejoice* [v.1]

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THE EIGHTH DAY OF CHRISTMAS: *Eight Maids A-Milking*

Scripture: Matthew 5:3-10

Reflection: The Beatitudes

Offering Invitation

Anthem: *Lullaby, Jesus*

arr. Gilbert M Martin

***Doxology:** **Praise God, from Whom All Blessings**

Prayer of Thanksgiving

THE NINTH DAY OF CHRISTMAS: *Nine Ladies Dancing*

Scripture: Galatians 5:22-23a

Reflection: The Fruits of the Spirit

Hymn: *I Danced in the Morning* [v. 1]

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THE TENTH DAY OF CHRISTMAS: *Ten Lords A-Leaping*

Scripture: Matthew 5:17-19

Reflection: The Ten Commandments

Hymn: *The First Nowell* [v. 1]

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THE ELEVENTH DAY OF CHRISTMAS: *Eleven Pipers Piping*

Scripture: Matthew 28:16-20

Reflection: The Eleven Faithful Disciples

Prayers of the People

Pastor Sharyl

THE TWELFTH DAY OF CHRISTMAS: *Twelve Drummers Drumming*

Scripture: Ephesians 4:25

Reflection: The Apostles' Creed

Receiving and Welcoming of New Member Cindy Van Kirk

Affirmation of Faith: *The Apostles' Creed*

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***HYMN:** *In the Bleak Midwinter*

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DISCIPLES GO WITH GOD ~ TO SERVE GOD'S WORLD

BENEDICTION & PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

POSTLUDE: *Joy on Christmas Day*

G. Sewell

**We stand in body and/or spirit*

Church Office Closed

Please note – the church office will be closed starting Monday, December 23 to Wednesday, January 1. *Merry Christmas & Happy New Year to all.* For all pastoral concerns, please call Pastor Sharyl at 609-529-1280.