

## *Financial Information and Encouragement*

*We appreciate and need your ongoing financial support! The meeting asks every member and regular attendee to consider giving, according to one's ability, as a spiritual practice. It is not the size of the donation that matters, but the heart from which it is given. You may drop your tax-deductible gift in the box located at the back corner of our meeting room.*

*Financial giving is a concrete way in which we ALL can share in the ministry and outreach of Friends. Thank you to all who faithfully contribute! May we continue to trust God to enable us to give with generous and open hearts! Please pledge for 2024. Forms are near the entry table.*

Average Monthly Income -- \$4091

Average Monthly Expenses -- \$5490

YTD Expenses:\$54,902

YTD Income from offerings and a portion of the proceeds from the house: \$67,632



Zoom link:

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**Klamath Falls Friends Church**

**Semi-programmed Worship**

**Sunday, December 15, 2024**

10:00 am

All Are Welcome

Because we believe each person represents an image of the Divine and welcome the light that each individual brings, we open our doors to everyone. We encourage full participation by all in the life of our meeting. We recognize one another as equal travelers on the journey, seeking always to celebrate our joys and share our struggles together. May we create and tend an ethic of respect, reverence, safety, and listening. May we delight in our differences!

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**Meeting for Worship**  
**December 15, 2024**  
**10:00 AM Semi-programmed worship**

**Reading from Luke 2:1-7**

In those days a decree went out from Caesar Augustus that all the world should be enrolled. <sup>2</sup> This was the first enrollment, when Quirin'i-us was governor of Syria. <sup>3</sup> And all went to be enrolled, each to his own city. <sup>4</sup> And Joseph also went up from Galilee, from the city of Nazareth, to Judea, to the city of David, which is called Bethlehem, because he was of the house and lineage of David, <sup>5</sup> to be enrolled with Mary, his betrothed, who was with child. <sup>6</sup> And while they were there, the time came for her to be delivered. <sup>7</sup> And she gave birth to her first-born son and wrapped him in swaddling cloths, and laid him in a manger, because there was no place for them in the inn.

**Lighting the third Advent candle**  
**"The Candle of Joy"**

**Song:** Angels We Have Heard on High

**Reading:** John 13:4-9,12-15

**Message:** Humble Beginnings

**Open Worship**

**Queries:**

Where are you called to be humble?  
How can service to others offer them a present moment of the coming kingdom?  
How does taking seriously Jesus's lessons in humility change our outlook on the world?

**Joys and Concerns**

**Announcements:**

- *December 15 – Making of a Gratitude Box after worship*
- *December 17 -- food pantry – let Linda know if you would like to volunteer (541)281-5535*
- *December 24 – 6:00 PM Christmas Eve Services*
- *January 14 – M&C 5:30*
- *January 19 – Peace and Social Concerns*
- *January 20 – 5:30 Administrative Meeting*
- *January 19 – First Book Group of Quaker Ecology (will meet after worship on the third Sunday of each month until April and end with an Earth Day celebration) A Sign Up sheet for the books is on the entryway table.*
- *January 26 – Monthly Meeting for Business*

**Street Nursing Program:** Marilyn Gran-Moravec  
Special Offering

**Closing Song:** Away in a Manger

## Angels We Have Heard on High

Angels we have heard on high  
Sweetly singing o'er the plains  
And the mountains in reply  
Echoing their joyous strains  
Gloria, in excelsis Deo  
Gloria, in excelsis Deo

Shepherds, why this jubilee?  
Why your joyous strains prolong?  
What the gladsome tidings be  
Which inspire your heavenly song?  
Gloria, in excelsis Deo  
Gloria, in excelsis Deo

Come to Bethlehem and see  
Him whose birth the angels sing,  
Come, adore on bended knee,  
Christ the Lord, the newborn King.  
Gloria, in excelsis Deo  
Gloria, in excelsis Deo

## Away in a Manger

Away in a manger  
No crib for a bed  
The little Lord Jesus  
Laid down His sweet head  
The stars in the bright sky  
Looked down where He lay  
The little Lord Jesus  
Asleep on the hay

The cattle are lowing  
The Baby awakes  
But little Lord Jesus  
No crying He makes  
I love You, Lord Jesus  
Look down from the sky  
And stay by my side  
Until morning is nigh

Be near me, Lord Jesus  
I ask You to stay  
Close by me forever  
And love me I pray  
Bless all the dear children  
In Your tender care  
And fit us for heaven  
To live with You there