

First Presbyterian Church  
Winnebago, Illinois  
December 18, 2011  
10:30 a.m.

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**RECEIVING THE WORD**

Scripture: Luke 2:1-18, Matthew 2:1-11 (NLT)

“The Christmas Story”  
performed by the Sunday School Classes

**PREPARING FOR THE WORD**

Prelude “Gesu Bambino”

Welcome/Announcements

Prayer of Adoration and Confession  
(Concluding with the Lord’s Prayer)

Assurance of Forgiveness

Sacrament of Baptism

Lighting of the Advent Candle

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

Presentation of Gifts and Offerings  
“This Is Christmas”

\*Prayer of Dedication

Deacons

**RESPONDING TO THE WORD**

Benediction

Postlude

All music in our bulletin is protected under CCLI#1409680

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Church phone number	815-335-2051
Combined Attendance	116
Combined Offerings	\$2776.92

**SHARING THE WORD THROUGHOUT THE WORLD**

*Every member a minister..*

Pastor	Reverend Steve Shullanberger
Praise Band Director	Michelle West
Soloist	Jim Brechlin
Program director	April Haeflinger
Ushers	Chuck Rittmeyer and volunteers
Greeters	Jamie & Kylie Gray
Acolytes	Hayley & Riley Starkey

## Announcements

**2012 Offertory envelopes** The 2012 offertory envelopes have arrived and are ready for pick up. Last year we started using a larger envelope, so the cost of the envelopes has increased. Because of this increase we will be changing the way that the envelopes are assigned to church members. If you have used your envelopes 10 times or less this year, you will not be assigned a box of envelopes. This way we can keep costs down. If you have any questions, please contact Betsy Menge at 815-964-2683.

**Angel** added to our tree is in memory of Mike Mowen by His Loving Family.

**Our Church Website is:** <http://www.thewfpc.org>

**Our Prayer request email is:** [prayer@thewfpc.org](mailto:prayer@thewfpc.org)

*All groups meet at the church unless otherwise specified.*

**Today's Baptism** Tianna Canaria Mitchell is the daughter of Matt and Thessa Mitchell and the grand daughter to Judy Mitchell.

**Praise Band** will not meet on Monday.

**Session** will meet on Tuesday at 7 p.m.

**Saturday Contemporary services** will be cancelled for December 24th. A traditional service will be held at 4 p.m. in its place.

**Christmas Eve Service** will be at Middle Creek Church at 11 p.m.

**Sunday School** There will be no Sunday school next week, December 25. We will see you in the New Year!

**Year End Reports** If your group has had their last meeting for this year, please submit your report for the annual report as soon as possible.

*Bulletins today are sponsored by:*

*Rick & Betsy Carr in honor of Rachel's Birthday*

**Please keep in prayer:** The Franklin Family. Roger Remer.  
Dillon Upchurch. Bob Look. Bob Reed.

# *The Christmas Story*

*Jesus Christ is the same...  
Yesterday, Today, and Forever!*

*Teenage Boy  
Teenage Girl*

*Josh Luna  
Krista Franklin*

*Mary  
Joseph*

*Kristi Luna  
Jared Benson*

*Angels*

*Maddy Williams  
Kaleigh Freimuth  
Molly Speers*

*Heavenly Host*

*Haley Starkey  
Ella Maher  
Katie Erb  
Jessica Franklin*

*Shepherds*

*Michael Cunningham  
Logan Gray  
Emma Storey  
Avery Williams*

*Modern-day Shepherds:*

*Business person  
Homemaker  
Farmer  
Secretary  
Pastor  
Football Player  
Retired Person  
Student  
Waitress  
Teacher*

*Cassie Gray  
Allison Franklin  
Dalton Heisler  
Rachel Rittmeyer  
Chandler Ellis  
Evan Weavel  
Kaitlyn Freimuth  
Jason Luna  
Avery Schaller  
Michael Bender*

*Wise Men*

*Jacob Smith  
Brett Hill  
Cole Ellis*

*Modern-day Wise Men*

*Renee Rittmeyer  
Julia Mitchell  
Lexi Storey*

*Away In A Manger Lullaby performed by:*

*Aubrie Gilson, Cody Coots, Mikayla Gray, Mitchel  
Cunningham, Payton Lingel, Joe Erb, Charlotte Maher,  
Keagen Gilson, Riley Starkey, Hunter Lingel, Alaina  
Warkentien, Thea Mitchell, Grace Erb, Kyla Warkentien,  
Brady Schaller, Alex Weavel*

*Help with costumes  
Help with props  
Stage construction*

*High School class  
Confirmation Class  
Paul Haeflinger*

*Director*

*April Haeflinger*

*Special Thanks to:  
the Praise Team for "setting the stage" for us!*