

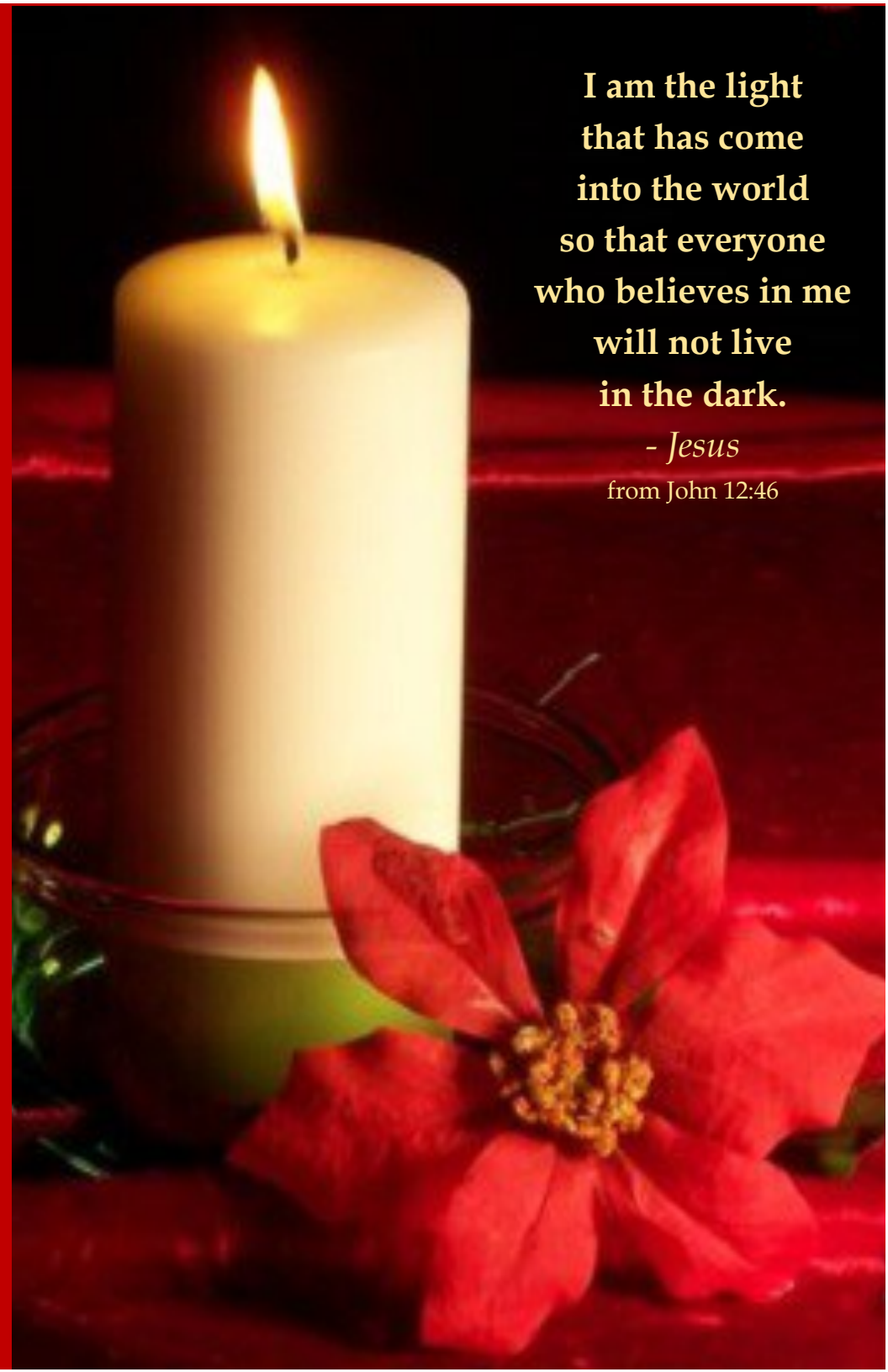
2 Corinthians 4:6 For God, who said, "Light shall shine out of darkness," is the One who has shone in our hearts to give the Light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Christ.

MERRY
CHRISTMAS

and

God Bless us,

Every One!



**I am the light
that has come
into the world
so that everyone
who believes in me
will not live
in the dark.**

- Jesus

from John 12:46

First Presbyterian Church
Lake Park, Iowa
www.fpclakepark.org
6:30 p.m.

December 24, 2018

Christmas Eve

Musical Prelude and Announcements

A Service of Lessons and Carols

Call to Worship (Based on Psalm 96)

L/ Sing to the Lord a new song! Sing to the Lord all the earth!

C/ Tell everyone of the Good News of God's salvation!

Hymn of Praise: # 258 Go Tell it on the Mountain

Prayer of Invitation

L/ Beloved in Christ, it is now our joy to listen again to the message of the angels, to go with the shepherds to Bethlehem and to see again this thing that has come to pass. Look now on the Babe, lying in the manger, the King of Kings and our Savior. Listen then to scripture and make this a glorious house of prayer with adoration and the praise of carols.

Lesson 1--Adam and Eve disobey God

Old Testament: Genesis 3: 8-19

Carol Response: #250 O Little Town of Bethlehem

Lesson 2—God promises a Great Light in the Messiah

Old Testament: Isaiah 9: 2-7

Solo--Savior of the Nations Come Shawn Harmon

Lesson 3—A Little child will lead them

Old Testament: Isaiah 11: 1-9

Carol Response: #281 What Child is This?

Lesson 4—Mary is Faithful

New Testament: Luke 1: 26-38

Carol Response: #277 Hark! The Herald Angels Sing

Lesson 5-- Jesus is Born in a Manger

New Testament: Luke 2: 1-7

Solo—O Holy Night Denise Lev

Lesson 6—Angels tell the Shepherds and the World

New Testament: Luke 2: 8-16

Carol Response: #265 The First Noel (verses 1,2,and 6)

Message: The Meaning of Christmas

Prayers of Intercession

L/ Let us pray for peace to all the world and goodwill among people.

C/ May the peace of Christ come

L/ Let us pray for the poor and outcast, the cold and hungry, the sick and those that mourn, the oppressed and those who are lonely.

C/ May the Love of Christ warm their hearts and the church of Christ bring relief

L/ Let us pray for our brothers and sisters around the world who enter this Christmas season with joy and singing

C/ May the Star of Christ shine through all believers to bring the Good News of Christ to all.

L/ Let us pray as God's family, adopted and marked in Christ
<silent prayer>

Lord's Prayer (using debts,debtors)

Service of Light

L/ May the Light of Christ shine forth in you this Christmas Season. May the next 12 days bring you joy and peace. For Christ has come and saved us all, and Christ will come again!

Please pass the light as it comes, tilting the unlit candle onto the flame

Song as light passes: #253 Silent Night! Holy Night!

Benediction