

First Presbyterian Church of Santa Rosa

Advent Sunday, December 6, 2020

Scripture Readings ~ Isaiah 52:7, Isaiah 9:6, Luke 10:5-6, and Romans 12:18 (NIV)

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As we prepare to hear the scriptures read, we pray:

Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit, that as the Scriptures are read and your Word is proclaimed, we may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen.

Our first scripture reading comes from the book of Isaiah 52:7, New International Version:

How beautiful on the mountains are the feet of those who bring good news, who proclaim peace, who bring good tidings, who proclaim salvation, who say to Zion, "Your God reigns!"

Our second scripture reading comes from the book of Isaiah 9:6:

For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on his shoulders. And he will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

Our third scripture reading comes from the gospel according to Luke, Chapter 10:5-6:

"When you enter a house, first say, 'Peace to this house.' If someone who promotes peace is there, your peace will rest on them; if not, it will return to you.

Our fourth scripture reading comes from the Paul's letter to the Romans 12:18

If it is possible, as far as it depends on you, live at peace with everyone.

May we hear what the Spirit is saying to the church through the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God. Amen