

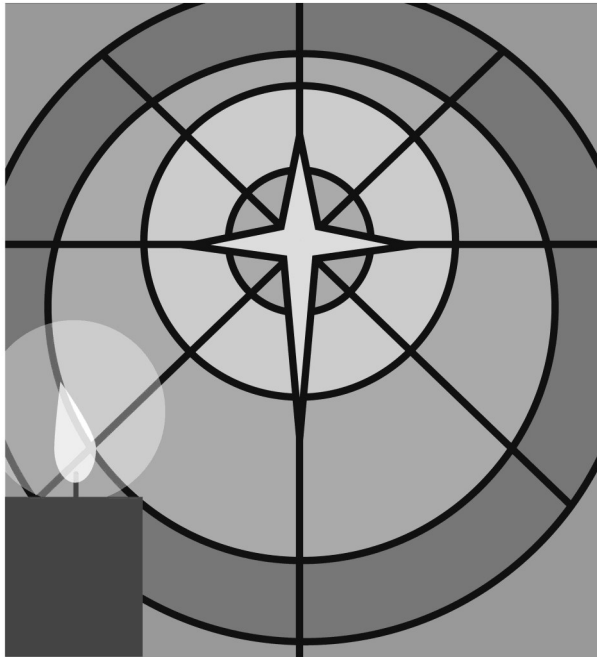


Camp Hill Presbyterian Church

Sunday, November 28, 2021

First Sunday of Advent

10:30 a.m.



FIRST SUNDAY
OF
Advent

Devoted to Christ — Committed to Service

We at Camp Hill Presbyterian Church are devoted followers of Jesus Christ committed to service in His name through worship, study, prayer, and praise; through mission to the world near and far; and through ministries of care and comfort to all.

First Sunday of Advent

November 28, 2021, 10:30 a.m.

The Rev. Nancy A. Conklin, Pastor
The Rev. Stuart L. Seelman, Associate Pastor
Jerrold D. Tidwell, Director of Music and Organist

Prelude *Of the Father's Love Begotten* Wilbur Held

Welcome

Minute for Ministry: Christmas Joy and Christmas Eve Offerings Rick Woodard

Lighting of the Advent Candle: The Book of Hope

Our soul waits for the Lord; he is our help and shield. Our heart is glad in him, because we trust in his holy name. Let your steadfast love, O Lord, be upon us, even as we hope in you. (Psalm 33:20-22)

L: Something's coming.

P: **We're waiting. We're eager.**

L: It's more than presents.

P: **It's more than lights.**

L: We open the Book of Hope and read the promise.

P: **God will be with us.**

L: Our hearts are glad; we trust God's holy name.

P: **God's never-ending love surrounds us.**

L: Today, we light the Candle of Hope. *(The candle is lit.)*

P: **Our hope is in the Lord.**

When God Is a Child

When God is a child, there's joy in our song.

*The last shall be first and the weak shall be strong, and none shall be afraid.
Hope is a star that shines in the night, leading us on till the morning is bright.*

When God is a child, there's joy in our song.

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*Call to Worship

L: We offer our lives to you, O God,

P: **Because we can trust in you.**

L: You will not leave us waiting for long,

**Those who are able are asked to please stand.*

P: Because you are the God who saves us.
L: Help us to know your ways, O Lord;
P: Teach us to walk in the paths you tread.
L: Your paths are cleared before us by love and faithfulness.
P: You remember us with faithful love and guide our steps from behind.
L: Come, let us worship God!

*Hymn 88

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

*Call to Confession/Silent Confession

In our Father's memory, our missteps can never overshadow God's steadfast love. So, through the Holy Spirit we are freed by the salvation of Jesus Christ to repent of what we have done, and what we have left undone, first in silence and then in one voice with our prayer of confession. Let us pray.

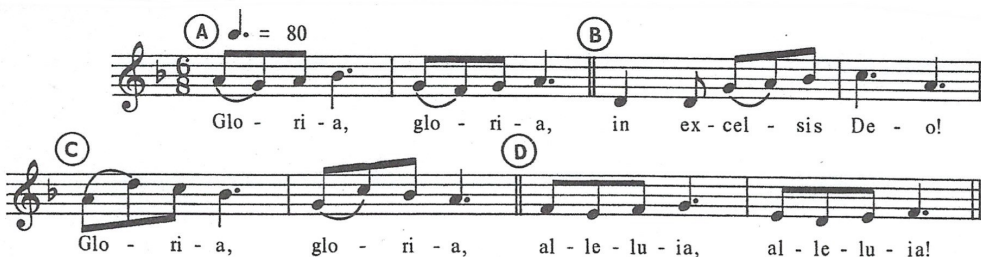
*Prayer of Confession/Silent Confession

Son of Man, we confess that we have not been alert to your presence. We have not tended to what you have planted and we have not cared for whom you nurture. The changing seasons make us weary, and we've become distracted from your coming season. The roaring of the seas and the distress of the nations confuse us, and we don't know what to stand for. We mourn for what is passing away, so we do not watch carefully for your return. Strengthen us, Lord, by the power of your Holy Spirit, to take our stand with you. Let justice and righteousness guide our steps, even as we watch and wait in the silence. Amen.

*Assurance of Forgiveness

The day of salvation is surely coming. Truly, I tell you, this generation will not pass away, the power of God's Word will not pass away, until our redemption. By God's grace, our sins are forgiven. **Thanks be to God.**

*Gloria (Taizé)



First Scripture Reading

Jeremiah 33:14-16

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will fulfill the promise I made to the house of Israel and the house of Judah. In those days and at that time I will cause a righteous Branch to spring up for David; and he shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In those days Judah will be saved and Jerusalem will live in safety. And this is the name by which it will be called: "The Lord is our righteousness."

L: This is the word of the Lord.

P: **Thanks be to God!**

Anthem

Show Me Thy Ways

Walter Pelz

Rusty Banks, guitar; Lynn Kloske, flute; The Chancel Choir

Second Scripture Reading

Luke 21:25-36

"There will be signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars, and on the earth distress among nations confused by the roaring of the sea and the waves. People will faint from fear and foreboding of what is coming upon the world, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. Then they will see 'the Son of Man coming in a cloud' with power and great glory. Now when these things begin to take place, stand up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near." Then he told them a parable: "Look at the fig tree and all the trees; as soon as they sprout leaves you can see for yourselves and know that summer is already near. So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near. Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away. "Be on guard so that your hearts are not weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and the worries of this life, and that day does not catch you unexpectedly, like a trap. For it will come upon all who live on the face of the whole earth. Be alert at all times, praying that you may have the strength to escape all these things that will take place, and to stand before the Son of Man."

L: This is the word of the Lord.

P: **Thanks be to God!**

Sermon

"Drawing Near"

The Rev. Stuart Seelman

Affirmation of Faith: The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried. He descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father almighty. From thence he shall come to judge the quick

and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

*Hymn 348

Lo, He Comes With Clouds Descending

Presentation of God's Tithes and Our Offerings

Offertory

Rusty Banks, Guitar

*Advent Doxology

What Child Is This

So bring him incense, gold, and myrrh; come, one and all, to own him.

The King of kings salvation brings; let loving hearts enthrone him.

This, this is Christ the King, whom shepherds guard and angels sing;

Haste, haste to bring him laud, the babe, the son of Mary!

*Prayer of Dedication

Christ our King, we offer our lives and lift up our souls to you. Command these earthly gifts of time and treasure, which pass away, to enliven and uplift your heavenly kingdom, founded on your eternal Word. In your name we pray. Amen.

Offering of Prayers/The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

*Hymn 105

People, Look East

*Benediction

Postlude

Savior of the Nations Come, BWV599

J.S. Bach

THIS WEEK AT CAMP HILL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Monday, Nov. 29

Preschool Closed

10 a.m. — Staff Meeting; Pastor's Study

1 p.m. — Quilters and Crafters for Mission; Q&C Room

Tuesday, Nov. 30

10 a.m. — Faye Ronemus Visitation and Memorial Service; Sanctuary

6 p.m. — West Shore A.A. Big Book Study; Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, Dec. 1

9:30 a.m. — Advent Book Study; Library and via Zoom

11:45 a.m. — Noonday Organ Recital Luncheon; Fellowship Hall

12:15 p.m. — Noonday Organ Recital; Sanctuary

6 p.m. — Handbell Choir Rehearsal; Music Room

7 p.m. — Chancel Choir Rehearsal; Music Room

7 p.m. — Advent Book Study; Library and via Zoom

Thursday, Dec. 2

9 a.m. — PW Christmas Coffee; Fellowship Hall

9 a.m. — Quilters & Crafters Sale; Gathering Place

Noon — Blue Christmas Service; Sanctuary

Friday, Dec. 3

8:30 a.m. — Quilters & Crafters Sale for Preschool; Gathering Place

Sunday, Dec. 5

9:30 a.m. — Children's Sunday School; Gathering Place

9:45 a.m. — Choir Warmup; Music Room

10:30 a.m. — Worship Service; Sanctuary and via Livestream

11:30 a.m. — Fellowship; Gathering Place

5 p.m. — The Still Point Vespers Service; Sanctuary

5 p.m. — Youth Group; Gathering Place

Welcomers: Lisa Love and Linda Zimmerman

Livestream/Recording: Jeff Heiss

Lyrics/Scripture Overlays: Dale Meadowcroft

Audio: Nate Ebeling

Advent Candle Lighters: Andrea and Nate Ebeling

Chancel Flowers: The chancel flowers are given by Linda Zimmerman in honor and memory of loved ones.

Attendance for Sunday, Nov. 21: 86

Next Sunday, Dec. 5, at 10:30 a.m. and 5 p.m. (vespers): Second Sunday of Advent

Our Prayer List for November 28, 2021

The CHPC Prayer List is printed in the Sunday bulletin and also is available by request. Each week, it also is emailed to members. For privacy reasons, it is not printed in our online bulletin. A pastor is available in the church office Monday through Thursday. If you need pastoral care or wish to make an addition to the Prayer List, please contact the church office at (717) 737-0488 or aebeling@thechpc.com.

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