



CORNERSTONE
Presbyterian Church

The Lord's Day ~ December 17, 2023

The Third Sunday of Advent

Preparing for Worship

* God Calls Us to Worship & Welcomes Us

Isaiah 42:1-9 (Pew Bible p. 602)

* Seeking God's Blessing on Our Worship

* Praising Our God in Song

#195 Joy to the World! The Lord is Come

God Declares His Will for Our Lives

Isaiah 59:1-13 (Pew Bible p. 618)

Confessing Our Sin to God

Psalm 130 (Trinity Hymnal p. 833)

God Forgives by Grace through Faith in Jesus Christ

Isaiah 59:9-21 (Pew Bible p. 619)

Going to God in Prayer

Presenting & Dedicating Our Offerings to the Lord

Voice

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures
here be - low; praise him a - bove, ye heav'n-ly host; praise Fa-ther, Son, and
Ho - ly Ghost. A - men.

* Preparing to Hear God's Word

#217 All My Heart This Night Rejoices

* Asking God to Open Our Hearts to His Word

God Speaks through His Word

Isaiah 7:1-14 (Pew Bible p. 571)
Matthew 1:18-25 (Pew Bible p. 807)

What's in a Name?

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As Matthew narrates the events surrounding Jesus' conception and birth, see your God—for whom nothing is impossible—working out his sovereign will for your salvation.

The Christ is named Jesus, for his office is to save you from sin and its consequences.

The Christ is named Immanuel, for his being is that of a divine Person taking human nature to enter our world.

The Christ is named by Joseph, for faith is the way of surrender, salvation, and service in the Kingdom of Heaven.

1. Sing we the song of Em - man - u - el; this the Christ who was long fore - told.
 2. Come we to wel - come Em - man - u - el; King who came with no crown or throne.
 3. Go spread the news of Em - man - u - el; joy and peace for the wea - ry heart.

Lo in the sha - dows of Beth - le - hem, pro - mise of dawn now our eyes be - hold.
 Help - less He lay, the in - vin - ci - ble, Ma - ker of Ma - ry, now Ma - ry's son.
 Lift up your heads, for your King has come; sing for the light o - ver - whelms the dark.

God most high in a man - ger laid; lift your voi - ces and now pro - claim:
 O what wis - dom to save us all, Shep - herds, sa - ges, be - fore Him fall.
 Glo - ry shin - ing for all to see, hope a - live, let the gos - pel ring.

Great and glo - ri - ous, Love has come to us; join now with the hosts of hea - ven.
 Grace and ma - jes - ty, what hu - mi - li - ty; come on bend - ed knee, a - dore Him.
 God has made a way, He will have the praise; tell the world His name is Je - sus.

Words and Music by Matt Boswell, Matt Papa, Stuart Townend, and Keith Getty ~ CCLI 82151

* God Dismisses Us with His Blessing

A - men, a - men, a - - - men.

* Those who are able, please stand

Announcements

- Thank you for being part of our worship service this morning. Sunday School for all ages follows a time of fellowship downstairs after the service. Pastor Kisler is teaching the Adult Class on the topic: “The Great Divide: An Urgent Reclamation of the Lessons of Machen’s *Christianity & Liberalism*.” Please join us as we grow in the grace and knowledge of our Savior in fellowship with one another.
- Please join us at 5 PM this evening for our Community Service of Scripture and Song as we celebrate the birth of our Savior together. After the service we’ll enjoy a time of fellowship downstairs. It’s not too late to invite friends and family to come along! Please note that the service will be livestreamed on our YouTube channel, not on Zoom.
- There is choir rehearsal **today** at 4pm.
- Interested in seeking membership at Cornerstone? We’re planning a membership class early in the new year and would love to have you join us! Please let Pastor Kisler know your interest.
- Printed copies of the new church photo directory are available on the counter of the church office and on the table in the Dewey Ave. entrance. One copy per family, please.
- With the updating of the church directory, we have also updated the church mailboxes in Room 203. If you are in the directory, your family also has a mailbox in the church office. It can be used to exchange Christmas cards as well as communicating with one another. If you have any questions, see Carol.
- Note from the Treasurer: In order for offerings to count towards the 2023 tax year, in-person and online offerings must be made by Sunday 12/31. Mailed offerings must have a postmark prior to 12/31.
- Helping with this morning’s service are Julie Runion (musical accompaniment), Dan Lash and Tom Doyle (ushers), Barb Reem (nursery), Richard Backus (sound) and Tony Pisani (video).

Weekly Calendar

17	DEC, SUN	● 10 – 11am	In-person Morning Worship + YouTube
		● 11:30am – 12:15pm	In-person Sunday School + YouTube (Adult Class)
		● 4 – 5pm	Choir Rehearsal (for evening performance)
		● 5 – 6pm	Community Service of Song and Scripture
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19	DEC, TUE	● 6:15 – 7:15pm	Support Group Meeting
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20	DEC, WED	● 8:30 – 9:30am	Men's Prayer on Zoom
		● 6:30 – 7:30pm	Girls Scout Daisy Troop meeting
		● 6:45 – 8pm	Kids Club
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21	DEC, THU	● 7 – 8pm	Session Meeting
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24	DEC, SUN	● 9:15 – 10am	Choir Rehearsal (for morning performance)
		● 10 – 11am	In-person Morning Worship + YouTube
		● 11:30am – 12:15pm	In-person Sunday School + YouTube (Adult Class)
		● 5 – 5:45pm	In-person Evening Worship + Zoom

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