

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### *Virtual Christmas Auction & To-Go Spaghetti Dinner this week!*

**CHRISTMAS AUCTION & TO-GO DINNER** — This year the Christmas Auction will be held ONLINE at [www.fpcd.org/pw-auction](http://www.fpcd.org/pw-auction). Bidding opens Tues. Dec. 1 and ends Sat. Dec. 12 at midnight. Individually packaged TO-GO spaghetti dinners are available to order for pick up on Saturday, Dec. 5. However, YOU MUST ORDER AHEAD by Wednesday, Dec. 2. A donation of \$3 per meal is suggested.

**SOLITUDE IN THE SANCTUARY** — This Advent Season, we invite you to spend time in solitude in the sanctuary. We will have meditative Christmas music available to play and devotional guides to read through.

**BATHROOM REMODEL** — We are doing a much needed remodel and repair of the bathrooms in the children's wing and the sanctuary building, with one being ADA accessible. This is our opportunity to improve God's house and we would invite everyone to contribute to the effort. Thank you!

**CHOIR REHEARSAL** — Monday, November 30, 7:00 PM on Zoom.

**DEACONS MEETING** — Tuesday, December 1, 7:00 PM on Zoom.

**WORSHIP PLANNING MEETING** — Thursday, December 3, 7:00 PM

**PRAYER MINISTRIES** — If you need prayer, let us know! We are still accepting prayer requests in the "Prayer Mail" box in the parking lot, or you can submit your requests online through our Prayer website, [www.duncanvilleprayer.com/prayer-requests](http://www.duncanvilleprayer.com/prayer-requests)

**WAYS TO GIVE** — You can give your offerings in-person, by mail, or online at [www.fpcd.org/online-giving](http://www.fpcd.org/online-giving)

**STAFF GIFTS** — Please consider a special Christmas offering for the staff of FPCD. Designate "staff gift" on your check and place in the offering plate or mail to the church by December 20. Thank you for all your love and support!



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# FIRST Presbyterian Church

Sunday, November 29, 2020 – 10:30 A.M.



## WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

### INTROIT

Choir Video

### LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

Dameron Growe

*Zechariah was filled with the Holy Spirit and gave this prophecy: "Praise the Lord God of Israel, because he has looked favorably on his people and redeemed them. He has raised up a mighty Savior for us in the house of his servant David, just as he promised through his holy prophets long ago. Now we will be saved from our enemies and from all who hate us. Thus he has shown the mercy promised to our ancestors and has remembered his holy covenant—the oath he swore to Abraham. We have been rescued from our enemies so we can serve God without fear, in holiness and righteousness, for as long as we live."*

### OPENING PRAYER

Joan Brown

### \* PRAISE CAROLS

*Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence, 5  
Nothing Else*

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Joan Brown

*God, you sent Jesus to us, bringing forgiveness and hope, yet we forget to embrace him daily. Instead we scurry around forgetting you are with us to guide us. Forgive us, Lord, as we silently confess our sins.*

## ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Jeff Thorpe

## OFFERING

### \* CAROL

*We Come, O Christ, to You, 117R, v. 1, 2, 3, 5*

## SCRIPTURE

Isaiah 7:10-14

Joan Brown

## ANTHEM

*O Come, O Come, Emmanuel, arr. Nichols*

## MESSAGE

1 Corinthians 1:18-21, 26-30

"Why Did God Send Jesus?"

Rev. Dr. Ginger Hertenstein

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

The Lord's Prayer

### \* CAROL

*Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus, 124R*

### \* BENEDICTION

### \* POSTLUDE

\*Please stand, if able. Sermons are available online at [www.fpcd.org](http://www.fpcd.org).  
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The "R" stands for *Hymnal for Worship & Celebration*.

## INFORMATION FOR GUESTS AND VISITORS

We would like to extend a special welcome to guests and visitors. If this is your first visit with us, please let us know by filling out a visitor card in the seat back in front of you and placing it in one of the offering plates located throughout the sanctuary. Assisted hearing devices are available in the sound room should you need one. You are important!

Due to the Coronavirus, we ask that you wear a mask and socially distance. Please do not sit in marked off rows and leave two seats of distance between your family and the next person in your row.

### For children:

- Nursery care is provided for ages 0-4 in the Education bldg.
- Children are welcome to stay with you during church.
- Children's bulletins and activity boxes are in the narthex.