



# SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

## FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

December 1, 2019 • 11:00 a.m.

The Presbyterian Church of Danville  
Danville, Kentucky

◆ Please rise in body or spirit.

Join in reading the parts of the service printed in **bold**.

Please silence your cell phones.

### GATHERING

Opening Voluntary

*Wachet auf*

J. S. Bach

Welcome and Announcements

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.  
**And also with you.**

Choral Introit

*Prepare the Way of the Lord*

Taizé Community

Prepare the way of the Lord, and all people will see the salvation of our God.

#### ◆ Opening Sentences and Advent Candle Lighting

The world says, "All is lost."

**God says, "All is loved."**

The darkness says, "The light is dying."

**The light says, "The fire is catching."**

Fear says, "Cover your eyes and your ears."

**Hope says, "Wait, watch, and listen."**

As we light our first Advent candle, we pray for holy hope of God.

Come now, O Child of Mary. **Come now, O Prince of Hope.**

**Advent** is a season of tension and paradox: a period of four weeks during which we expectantly wait for the One who has already come.

**The lighting of the Advent candles** is an old tradition. The candles generate increasing light throughout the season as we draw nearer to our celebration of the birth of Jesus, who is the light of the world. This morning, Preston and Kathy Miles light the candle of hope.

Response No. 103, v. 4 *Come Now, O Prince of Peace*

O-SO-SO

*Come hope of unity; make us one body.  
Come, O Lord Jesus; reconcile all people.*

Come, let us worship God.

◆ Hymn No. 93 *Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates*

TRURO

Call to Confession and Prayer of Confession

**God our Maker, we confess that we are not ready to meet you.  
We study the trends of our times and ignore the signs of your reign.  
We trust in things that pass away and forget your eternal promise.**

**Forgive us, God of grace.**

**Strengthen us, by your hand, so that we may be ready for that day  
when you come to reign in glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord.**

(time for silent prayer)

Kyrie No. 121, v. 4 *O Little Town of Bethlehem*

ST. LOUIS

*O holy child of Bethlehem, descend to us, we pray;  
cast out our sin and enter in; be born in us today.  
We hear the Christmas angels the great glad tidings tell;  
O come to us; abide with us, our Lord Emmanuel!*

Declaration of Forgiveness

◆ Sung Response No. 113, Refrain *Angels We Have Heard on High* GLORIA

*Gloria in excelsis Deo! Gloria in excelsis Deo!*

◆ The Peace

The peace of Christ be with you all.  
**And also with you.**

The ritual of **confession and forgiveness** is not a time of judgment; it is a time of grace. It is not a time to fear God; it is a time to experience God's unending love through Jesus. It is a time to take a load off our shoulders so that we might more freely live.

Greet those near you with the blessing: "May the peace of Christ be with you."

After each reading, the  
liturgist says:  
The word of the Lord.  
The congregation  
responds:  
**Thanks be to God.**

Please sign the  
Friendship Pad during  
the Musical Offering.

To give electronically  
please use this QR code  
or log into the Church  
Life app.



## WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Old Testament Reading      Isaiah 2:1-5      Pew Bible O.T. p. 631

Psalm      Psalm 122      Pew Bible O.T. p. 571

Epistle Reading      Romans 13:11-14      Pew Bible N.T. p. 162

Gospel Reading      Matthew 24:36-44      Pew Bible N.T. p. 27

Sermon      “In the Meantime”      Caroline M. Kelly

## EUCCHARIST

### ◆ Invitation to Offering

Musical Offering      *Keep Your Lamps*      Spiritual, arr. Thomas

Keep your lamps trimmed and burning; the time is drawing nigh.  
Children, don't get weary 'til your work is done.  
Christian, journey soon be over; the time is drawing nigh.

### ◆ Doxology

*These Gifts We Joyfully Bring*      GREENSLEEVES

*These gifts we joyfully bring to you,  
to fill the world with meaning;  
our hearts and minds are longing for  
the life of which you are dreaming.  
This, this our gift we bring,  
our lives we share, your praise we sing;  
show us your vision, Lord,  
for hope, and peace, and caring.*

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Great Thanksgiving (Sung to the tune of "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel")

Celebrant: The Lord be with you as we gather here.  
Lift up your hearts unto the Lord your God.  
For it is right to give God our praise.  
Let us prepare our hearts for coming days:

**All: Rejoice, Rejoice!**  
**Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.**

Choir: You made all things and called them good,  
Made us like you, but we cast off your love.  
You set us free and claimed us as yours,  
Through sage and prophet spoke to us your word.

**All: Rejoice, Rejoice!**  
**Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.**

Choir: O Holy God of power and might,  
Bless'd be the one who comes in your name,  
Hosanna in the highest, God!  
Hosanna in excelsis.

**All: Rejoice, Rejoice!**  
**Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.**

Choir: Holy are you and blessed is your Son,  
Jesus, the Light, your presence here with us.  
You sent him in the fullness of time,  
He came to preach good news to all.

**All: Rejoice, Rejoice!**  
**Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.**

Celebrant: And on the night he was betrayed,  
Christ took the bread, and unto you gave thanks  
He broke the bread and shared it with friends.  
"Take, eat, my body given for you."

**All: Rejoice, Rejoice!**  
**Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.**

Celebrant: After the meal he lifted up the cup,  
"My blood, my life, I pour it out for you.  
This covenant I make anew.  
Set free from sin! Remember me!"

**All: Rejoice, Rejoice!**  
**Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.**

Choir: Spirit of God descend upon us now,  
And make these gifts become for us.  
The body and the blood of Christ  
A holy, living sacrifice

**All: Rejoice, Rejoice!**  
**Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.**

Celebrant: Through the Lord Jesus Christ,  
in the unity of the Spirit, we bless you,  
God of glory, now and forever. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer (using "debts and debtors")

Breaking of the Bread

◆ Communion of the People

Prayer after Communion (*sung to the tune of "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel"*)

**We thank you God of Mystery**  
**For sacred meal, community,**  
**Send us forth now to share your light,**  
**Disciples of the One of Peace!**  
**Rejoice, Rejoice! Emmanuel**  
**Shall come to thee, O Israel.**

We will receive communion by intinction. As directed by the ushers, please come forward to one of three stations up front, take a piece of bread from the basket, dip it into the cup, and eat it. Return to your seat using the side aisles. Gluten-free elements are available at the middle station.

## SENDING

- ◆ Hymn No. 357      *The Days Are Surely Coming*      LLANGLOFFAN
- ◆ Blessing and Charge
- Closing Voluntary    *Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates*    J. Wayne Kerr

## WORSHIP LEADERSHIP

### Leading worship:

Preacher .....Caroline M. Kelly  
Liturgist .....Scott Scutchfield  
Musicians.....Zach Klobnak; The Sanctuary Choir; John Erwin and Susan Matherly, bells;  
.....Lydia Ellis, percussion

### Assisting with worship:

Ushers .....Kylin and Luke Jia  
Elder/Deacon of the Week .....Charlie Boyd  
Communion Preparers .....Tressa Brown and Susan Neale  
Communion Servers .....Jim Boyd, Sara Egge, Alice Davis, Roger Hartner, Peggy Tudor  
.....Beth Leahey, Mark Tibbles and Laura Russell  
Greeter .....Gay McGuire  
Nursery Volunteer .....Ann Young

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## WELCOME

**WELCOME VISITORS:** We are glad you found your way to The Presbyterian Church of Danville. For more information about opportunities to worship, learn and serve with us, we encourage you to pick up a copy of our monthly newsletter, the *Salt Shaker*, in the Walnut Street Lobby and check out our website at [presbydan.org](http://presbydan.org) and Facebook page at [presbydan](http://presbydan). If you are interested in becoming a member of our congregation, please speak to the pastor.

**CHILDCARE** is provided in the nursery. An usher will be glad to direct you there.

**CHILDREN IN WORSHIP:** While we do provide a nursery for young children, we also invite you to bring your child with you to worship. Children's activity bags are located in the front and back of the Sanctuary and we welcome children to participate in worship by helping with the offering and bringing communion elements forward.

**FRIENDSHIP PADS:** Please locate and sign the pad in your pew during the offering.

**HEARING DEVICES AND LARGE PRINT BULLETINS, HYMNALS AND BIBLES** are available on the table in the back of the sanctuary. An usher will be glad to assist you.

**PRAYER CARDS:** The lavender colored cards for prayer requests are in each pew rack. Please place your requests in the offering plate and our prayer ministry team will offer prayers for your requests.

**STEPHEN MINISTRY:** We are a Stephen Ministry Church. Stephen Ministers are trained members of the congregation who are ready to provide confidential, one-to-one Christian care needed to make it through difficult times. If you, or someone you know, needs a Stephen Minister, please contact Alice Davis, 859-583-5995, or the church office, 859-236-6692.

**FELLOWSHIP TIME:** Donuts and hot beverages are available in Fellowship Hall each Sunday morning.

## GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

We thank Becky Gash for creating the **beautiful Advent wreath** for the Sanctuary.

To find out what is happening in the church, during **Advent and the Christmas season**, pick up a brochure in the lobby, fellowship hall or narthex.

**Advent Devotionals** can be found in the lobby and narthex.

Would you to like help provide **Poinsettias** for the Sanctuary and our homebound members? Pick up a form in the lobby, fellowship hall or narthex.

As we celebrate the birth of the Christ child, **Stephen Ministry** reminds us that we can be Christ to each other by sharing our burdens. To bring this confidential, Christ-centered ministry into your life, contact Alice Davis, Caroline Kelly, or the Church Office.

**The Boyle County GED program** (housed here at The Presbyterian Church) will be celebrating 12 recent GED graduates on Friday, December 6, at 2:00 in fellowship hall. You are welcome to attend! Please contact Beth Leahey at [leahey@bellsouth.net](mailto:leahey@bellsouth.net) or (859) 583-4430 if you will be joining us—or if you are willing to contribute cookies or other snacks to the reception to follow the graduation. Thank you for your continued support of these adult students and their education.

**Christmas Craft Night (December 4)** – Help is needed with craft tables and baking cookies. If you can help, please contact Amy Wilson.

## MISSION

We still have approximately 20 **Angel Tree Angels** left. Please prayerfully consider helping a child (or several) this Christmas season.

## FAITH FORMATION

**Wednesday Night Fellowship** will NOT meet this Wednesday, December 4, due to Christmas Craft Night.

## JOYS AND CONCERNS

**Prayer list:** John Nelson, the Gordon family, Norman Green, Clyde ‘Buddy’ Mohan, Mark and Sharon Noell, Judith Pointer Jia, Janelle Dishman, Jane Love, Charlie Taylor, Bill Weigle, Kila Tripp (Janelle Dishman’s granddaughter), Ken Harmon, Jackie Owens, Jean Ragland, Jim Stewart and Ann Erwin



## THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES

### Sunday, December 1

#### 1st Sunday of Advent

- 8:30 AM Worship with Eucharist
- 9:30 AM Christian Formation for All Ages
- 11:00 AM Worship
- 3:00 PM Messiah Practice
- 5:15 PM DYC at Trinity

### Monday, December 2

- 9:00 AM GED classes
- 10:00 AM AA Meeting
- 2:00 PM Home School Spanish
- 6:30 PM Stephen Ministry Meeting

### Tuesday, December 3

- 9:00 AM GED classes
- 9:30 AM Women's Book Study
- 12:00 PM Staff Meeting
- 1:30 PM Worship Staff Meeting
- 6:00 PM World Mission

### Wednesday, December 4

- Salvation Army Bell Ringing (10am - 8pm)
- 9:00 AM GED classes
- 9:30 AM Beginning Yoga
- 10:00 AM AA Meeting
- 5:30 PM Christmas Craft Night
- 5:30 PM Confirmation
- 6:00 PM Bell Choir
- 7:00 PM Choir

### Thursday, December 5

- Salvation Army Bell Ringing (10am - 8pm)
- 9:00 AM GED classes
- 10:30 AM Bible Study
- 11:30 AM Budget and Finance (Chapel)
- 1:00 PM Home School Spanish
- 3:00 PM Hammered Dulcimers
- 6:00 PM NAMI
- 6:30 PM Advocate Brass Band practice
- 8:00 PM Peaceful Thursdays

### Friday, December 6

- Salvation Army Bell Ringing (10am - 8pm)
- 10:00 AM AA Meeting
- 2:00 PM GED Graduation in FH
- 7:30 PM Norton Center Event

### Saturday, December 7

- Presbytery Meeting at Lexington Korean Presbyterian Church
- Salvation Army Bell Ringing (10am - 8pm)
- 7:00 PM Lessons and Carols

### Sunday, December 8

#### 2nd Sunday of Advent

- 8:30 AM Worship with Eucharist
- 9:30 AM Christian Formation for All Ages
- 11:00 AM Worship
- 3:00 PM McDowell Place Worship Service
- 3:00 PM Messiah Practice
- 5:15 PM DYC at Trinity

## SESSION

Moderator: The Rev. Caroline M. Kelly

Clerk: Jean Harney

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Katie Banks, Charlie Boyd, Steve Messer, AJ Strauch and Mark Tibbles

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Jim Boyd, Mary Covell, Alice Davis, Roger Hartner and Peggy Tudor

### CLASS OF 2022

Greg Caudill, Vickie Glidewell, Susan Matherly and Eric Smith

## DIACONATE

Moderator: Joanie Lukins

Co-Moderator: Scott Johnson

Communicator: Sara Egge

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Sara Egge, Joanie Lukins, Fred Marr and Laura Russell

### CLASS OF 2021

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