



SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

December 15, 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.



Christmas Pageant: "A Brand New Star"

Mary—Lexi Preston

Joseph—Thaddeus Strauch

Donkey—Jona Voss

Messenger—Kingston Wilkinson

Inn Keeper—Jack Erwin

Angel 1—Julia Gilbert

Angel 2—Iris Spears

Host of Angels—Helen Boyd, August Davidson,
Rose Hoebelheinrich, Margaret Young

Star—Blaine Covell

Shepherds—Henry Boyd, James Boyd,
Brooks Johnson

Sheep—Ann Margaret Ahnquist, Graham Covell,
Owen Gilbert

Herod—Eric Smith

Wise People—Elle Ahnquist, Martin Davidson,
Michael Wilson

Narrator—Benjamin Wilson

Director—Susan Shewmaker

Accompanist—Zach Klobnak

GATHERING

Opening Voluntary *Infant Holy, Infant Lowly* Richard Lind

Welcome and Announcements

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

◆ Opening Sentences and Advent Candle Lighting

“Rejoice in the Lord always; **again I will say, Rejoice.**”
The world says, “Worry,” **and we say, “Rejoice.”**
The news says, “Fear,” **and we say, “Rejoice.”**
The world says, “Be happy,” **and the church says, “Be faithful.”**
As we light our third Advent candle, **we pray for hope, peace, and joy.**
Come now, O child of Mary. **Come now, O Prince of Joy.**

Response No. 103, v. 3 *Come Now, O Prince of Peace* O-SO-SO

***Come now and set us free, O God, our Savior.
Come, O Lord Jesus; reconcile all people.***

Come, let us worship God.

◆ Hymn No. 83 *Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus* STUTT GART

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

God, we are ready for joy. We long to be filled with your joyful good news. Yet, even as we dream of the days when the hungry will be filled and the oppressed will be freed, we worry about what we might have to give up so that all your people can have enough. Give us courage to set aside our privilege. Give us strength to help bring about a world where everyone can sing songs of joy...

(time for silent prayer)

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, Charlie, Molly, Henry, James and Helen Boyd light the candle of joy.

*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

- ◆ 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.

(Greet those near you with the blessing:
“May the peace of Christ be with you.”)

Passing the peace is a tradition rooted in Scripture that embodies our identity as peacemakers and trains our hearts, hands, and tongues in the ways of peace. It is not an interruption of the service for social conversation but an integral part of the service where we greet one another as reconciled people.

WORD

Prayer for Illumination

The Word Proclaimed Through Drama and Music

“A Brand New Star”

A Christmas Pageant based on Matthew 2 and Luke 2

RESPONSE

- ◆ Hymn No. 145

What Child Is This

GREENSLEEVES

Prayers of Intercession, concluding with the Lord’s Prayer

Invitation to Offering

Please sign the Friendship Pad during the Musical Offering.

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



Musical Offering *And the Glory* (from “Messiah”) G. F. Handel

And the glory of the Lord shall be revealed. And all flesh shall see it together.
For the mouth of the Lord has spoken it.

◆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.*

◆Prayer of Thanksgiving and Dedication

SENDING

◆Hymn No. 136 *Go, Tell It On the Mountain* GO TELL IT

◆Blessing and Charge

Closing Voluntary *Go, Tell It On the Mountain* Timothy Albrecht

WORSHIP LEADERSHIP

Leading worship:

Proclaiming the Word.....Pageant Participants
LiturgistCaroline M. Kelly
MusiciansZach Klobnak; The Sanctuary Choir; Susan Shewmaker; The Children’s Choir

Assisting with worship:

UshersKylin and Luke Jia, AJ and Tara Strauch
Elder/Deacon of the WeekFred Marr
GreeterLogan Young
Nursery VolunteerKim Ragland

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 and Facebook page at [presbydan](https://www.facebook.com/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

Is the busyness of the Christmas season, and of life, troubling you? The confidential, Christian care of a Stephen Minister can help. Contact Alice Davis, Caroline Kelly, or the Church Office to let a Stephen Minister come into your life.

Be sure to come back to church at 6pm tonight for a special performance of **Handel's *Messiah***. Our choir, in collaboration with the choir from Trinity Episcopal Church, soloists, and orchestra, will present this timeless masterpiece for the community. The concert is free, and all are welcome. A reception will follow.

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

Poinsettia forms are due today.

Save the dates! There will be a Called Congregational Meeting following the 11am service, on January 5, to elect the next class of officers. The Annual Congregational Meeting will be held Sunday, January 26. All reports need to be turned in to Lynn by Monday, January 13.

If you have not yet turned in your **Estimate of Giving Card**, please do so as soon as possible. If you have any questions, contact Lynn, church@presbydan.org.

The **2020 flower calendar** is now up in Fellowship Hall. Prayerfully consider providing a beautiful arrangement for the Sanctuary.

Please join us on **Christmas Eve** as we celebrate the Messiah's birth. The 5:30 p.m. service will feature a "Pageant from Scratch" for all ages and the 11:00 p.m. service will feature our adult choir, a brass quintet, and other special music. Communion will be celebrated at both services.

Are you in need of prayer and comfort this holiday season? If so, please join us on Sunday, December 22 at 4:30pm in our sanctuary for a **Service of Healing and Wholeness**. This service of healing and hope is open to all. Bring a friend. A light supper in Fellowship Hall will follow. For more information, please contact a Stephen Minister.

MISSION

Last Sunday, \$173.33 was collected for **CentsAbility**. Thank you!

Next Sunday, December 22, we will collect the **Joy Offering**. This offering helps support our church workers past and present. Please give with joy to this Joy Offering.

FAITH FORMATION

Wednesday Night Fellowship is over for the year, but please join us in January and start the year off right.

JOYS AND CONCERNS

Prayer list: John Rodes, John Nelson, Norman Green, Clyde 'Buddy' Mohan, 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 15

Third Sunday of Advent

8:30 AM Worship with Eucharist
9:30 AM Christian Formation for All Ages
11:00 AM Christmas Pageant & Reception
6:00 PM Music on Main Street: Messiah

Monday, December 16

10:00 AM AA Meeting
2:00 PM Home School Spanish
6:30 PM Stephen Ministry Christmas Party

Tuesday, December 17

9:30 AM Women's Book Study
12:00 PM Staff Meeting
1:30 PM Worship Staff Meeting
6:00 PM Bell Choir Party at the Boyd Home
7:00 PM Local Mission

Wednesday, December 18

9:30 AM Beginning Yoga
10:00 AM AA Meeting
2:30 PM Hammered Dulcimers
5:30 PM Confirmation
5:30 PM NO Wednesday Night Fellowship
6:00 PM Bell Choir
7:00 PM Choir

Thursday, December 19

10:30 AM Bible Study
5:15 PM Arnold Tower (Session)
6:00 PM NAMI

Friday, December 20

10:00 AM AA Meeting

Saturday, December 21

Sunday, December 22

Fourth Sunday of Advent

First Day of Winter

8:30 AM Worship with Eucharist
9:30 AM Christian Formation for All Ages
11:00 AM Worship
4:30 PM Longest Night Service and Light Meal

STAFF

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SESSION

Moderator: The Rev. Caroline M. Kelly

Clerk: Jean Harney

CLASS OF 2020

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

CLASS OF 2021

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

CLASS OF 2020

Sara Egge, Joanie Lukins, Fred Marr and Laura Russell

CLASS OF 2021

Joel Boitnott, Scott Johnson, Beth Leahey and Charlie Martindale

CLASS OF 2022

Elspeth Cobb, Kathy Howells, Casey Tibbles and Adam Wade



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