

Welcome to Celebration Presbyterian Church
Welcome, friends, from far and near. Let us worship God who is surely here. Let us pray, sing, share the Word and give; then let us joyfully go into God's world to live. *Please indicate your desires for visitation, or information about joining Celebration Church on the Ritual of Friendship Pad. *Prayer cards are provided for sharing your joys and concerns. Please write your prayer requests on a card and the ushers will collect them.

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

St. Augustine wrote: “The River of time sweeps on, but there, like a tree planted by the water, is our Lord Jesus Christ. He became human, willing to plant himself by the river of time. If you feel yourself drifting down the rapids, lay hold of the tree; if you are caught up in the love of the world, hold on to Christ. He for your sake entered into time, but he did not cease to be eternal.”

Celebrating our sixteenth year of faithful living and giving!

Sunday, December 2, 2019**Advent 1**

THE CHURCH GATHERS

Prelude Sarah Abushakra

Chiming the Hour

Advent 1 – Lighting Candle 1 on the Advent Wreath The Tiani Family

***Hymn No. 88 Verse 1** *O Come, O Come Emmanuel*

Greeting
The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all. **And also with you.**

Welcome, Ritual of Friendship, Prayer Cards, Announcements and Opening Prayer

***Sharing the Peace of Christ**
The Peace of Christ be with You. **And also with you!**
(Please exchange signs of Christ's peace with your brothers and sisters in Christ near you.)

TO WORSHIP THE LORD OUR GOD

***Responsive Call to Worship** Liturgist: Peg Speidel
Our souls magnify the Lord,
And our spirits rejoice in God our savior.
God has done great things. Holy is God's name!
God's mercy is for all who fear the Lord.
God's love from generation to generation!

***Hymn No. 82** *Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus* HYFRODOL

Call to Confession Liturgist: Peg Speidel
If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. But, if we confess our sins, Jesus is faithful to forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. Let us confess our sins collectively and then personally.

Unison Prayer of Confession Liturgist: Peg Speidel
Advent God come among us. Awaken us to your presence and fill us with your love. Forgive us when our hunger for justice gives way to our hunger for power. Forgive us when our hope for peace is swallowed by our fear for failure. Forgive us when our songs of faith are drowned out by the shouts of the world. Advent God, come among us, and make all things new.

Silence for Personal Confession

Assurance of Pardon Liturgist: Peg Speidel
Friends hear the Good News and believe it:
In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! **Thanks be to God!**

Affirmation of Faith *Adapted from the Confession of 1967*
PCUSA Book of Confessions
Out of Israel, God in due time raised up Jesus. His faith and obedience were the response of the perfect child of God. He was the fulfillment of God's promise to Israel, the beginning of the new creation, and the pioneer of the new humanity. He gave history its meaning and direction and called the church to be his servant for the reconciliation of the world.

***Hymn No. 592** *Holy, Holy, Holy* SANCTUS

Time With Young Disciples
Children's Church follows in Room 5
The children are invited to come to the steps for the
Time With Young Disciples

TO WORSHIP THROUGH PRAYER AND SHARED STEWARDSHIP

Prayers of the People – Sharing Our Joys and Concerns
Please pass your prayer cards to an usher.

Prayer of Intercession and 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil: For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.

Giving of God's Tithes and Our Offerings as Faithful Stewards
All things in heaven and earth belong to God, who is coming in glory to reveal a new creation. Let us offer our lives to the Lord.

2 Peter 3:8-15

Offertory *Come, O Come Emmanuel* Celebration Choir

***Doxology Hymn No. 609** *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*
Praise God from whom all blessings flow.
Praise God, all creatures high and low. Alleluia, alleluia!
Praise God, in Jesus fully known: Creator, Word and Spirit one.
Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, al-le-lu--ia!

***Unison Prayer of Thanksgiving and Dedication**
We make some sacrifice to give to your church today, O God. We could treat ourselves or invest our money. Bring to our minds the cost of not giving. The cost of not giving is to close our hearts to you and our eyes to the needs of those around us. Keep us from these temptations, O God. Enable us to give with hearts open to you and to our brothers and sisters in need. We give in obedience, but let us also give in joy, as we feel the spiritual connection that giving creates. Amen.

TO WORSHIP THROUGH WORD, SACRAMENT AND WITNESS

Scripture **Jeremiah 33:14-15, Luke 21:25-36** NRSV
The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon *Interruption* Tom Dendy

CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

***Hymn No. 466 (3X)** *Come and Fill Our Hearts*

Invitation to the Lord's Table
Words of Institution and Prayer of Preparation
Sharing the Bread and Cup
**(Please hold bread/cup until all have been served and we will partake of communion together.)

Unison Prayer after Communion **God our hope, we give you thanks that you have given us this foretaste of the justice, righteousness, and peace of your promised new creation. Strengthen us with this heavenly food as we seek to serve your holy realm. Lead us to live in joyful expectation of the coming again in glory of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

AND RESPOND IN FAITHFUL SERVICE IN THE WORLD

*Charge and Benediction

***Hymn No. 100** *My Soul Cries Out* STAR OF THE COUNTY DOWN

***Postlude** Sarah Abushakra

(*If able, please stand at these points in the service.)

CELEBRATION HAPPENINGS		
Sun Dec 2	ADVENT 1	
	Adult Bible Study	9:15 am
	Choir Rehearsal	10:00 am
	Coffee and Fellowship	10:15 am
	Worship, Nursery, Children's Church	11:00 am
Tues Dec 4	Holy Communion	
	QUILTERS meet at the church	10:00 am
	Movie Night <i>An American Christmas Carol</i>	6:00 pm
Wed Dec 5	Music & Mixology - Potluck Dinner	5:00 pm
	Choir Rehearsal	7:00 pm
Sun Dec 9	ADVENT 2	
	Adult Bible Study	9:15 am
	Choir Rehearsal	10:00 am
	Coffee and Fellowship	10:15 am
	Worship, Nursery, Children's Church, He~Brews Cafe	11:00 am
A Congregational Meeting is called for Sunday, December 9 at the close of worship to ELECT ELDERS.		
STATED SESSION MEETING		12:15 pm

Upcoming Opportunities
You may earmark flood relief gifts for Trudy Miller, make your check payable to CPC and in the memo line please put Trudy Miller
Tue Dec 4 – Movie Night <i>An American Christmas Carol</i> , 6pm
Wed Dec 5 – Wednesday Night Potluck Dinner, 5:30pm
Sun Dec 9 – *A Congregational Meeting is called for Sunday, at the close of worship to ELECT ELDERS.
Thu Dec 13 – Team C cooks at The Shepherd's Table, 2pm
Mon Dec 24 – Christmas Eve Candlelight & Communion Worship



Advent 1
December 2, 2018
11:00 a.m. Worship
Celebrating our 16th year of Faithful Mission and Ministry!

SERVICE/SERMON NOTES AND REMINDERS: _____



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OUR MISSION *is to Proclaim Jesus as Lord and Savior, Praise and Worship God, Prepare our hearts to share God's Word, and Provide Love and Service to ALL!*

Our Purpose
To Celebrate God's Glory by Reaching, Teaching, and Sending People to Love and Serve the Lord.

JOIN US AT CELEBRATION
We are Christ followers who are open, accepting, loving and welcoming to all!