

Order for the Worship of God

11 A.M.

The Prelude

The Welcome & Exhortation to Worship

The Introit *Surely the LORD Is in This Place*

* The Call to Worship – Psalm 37:3-4

Pastor: Trust in the LORD, and do good;

People: dwell in the land and befriend faithfulness.

Pastor: Delight yourself in the LORD,

People: And He will give you the desires of your heart.

* Hymn of Praise No. 521

My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less

* The Prayer of Invocation

* The Confession of Sin

Eternal God, in Whom we live and move and have our being; Whose face is hidden from us by our sins; and Whose mercy we forget in the blindness of our hearts; cleanse us, we ask, from all our offenses; and deliver us from proud thoughts and vain desires; that with lowliness and meekness we may draw near to You; confessing our faults, confiding in Your grace, and finding in You our refuge and our strength; through Jesus Christ our LORD. Amen.

* The Assurance of Pardon – Romans 5:1

“Therefore, having been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our LORD Jesus Christ.”

* Psalm of Assurance – Psalm 23C

BUNESSAN

The Pastoral Prayer

Choral Response

Almighty Father

The LORD’s Tithes and Our Offerings

(Please sign & pass the registration pad)

The Offertory

* The Doxology

Old Hundredth

Praise God from Whom all blessings flow; praise Him, all creatures here below; praise Him above, ye heav’nly host: praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

* The Old Testament Reading – Psalm 34 (pg. 463-64)

The Anthem

Praises, Thanks, and Adoration

J. C. Bechler

Praises, thanks and adoration, praises, praises, thanks and adoration ascend united from our nation, so richly blest, so highly favored, so richly blest. Praise the LORD, praise the LORD most great and glorious Whose love divine endures forever. Bless, bless His name. Praise Him and bless His Holy name. Come join with heart and mind and soul, give praises, thanks and adoration to the LORD, our God. Hallelujah. Amen!

* Hymn of Preparation No. 108

Whate’er My God Ordains Is Right

(Children K4-1st grade dismissed to children’s church)

* The New Testament Reading – 1 Peter 4:12-19 (pg. 1016)

The Sermon

The Truth of Suffering, Part 2

Rev. Joel Smit

* Hymn of Affirmation No. 699

Like a River Glorious

* The Benediction

* The Congregational Chorus Psalm 23:6

CRIMOND

Goodness and mercy all my life shall surely follow me; and in God’s house forevermore my dwelling place shall be.

* The Postlude

* The congregation stands.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR GROWTH

<i>LORD’s Day</i>	-	9:15 A.M.	-	Prayer Time
		9:45 A.M.	-	Adult & Children Sunday School
		10:30 A.M.	-	Fellowship Time
		11:00 A.M.	-	Worship of Almighty God
		12:30 P.M.	-	Mrs. Ostell’s 90 th birthday celebration
		6:00 P.M.	-	Evening Worship Service
<i>Monday</i>	-	8:00 P.M.	-	Men’s Bible study
<i>Tuesday</i>	-	7:00 P.M.	-	WIC Christmas Banquet
<i>Wednesday</i>	-	5:30 P.M.	-	Loaded Potato Soup dinner
		6:30 P.M.	-	Adult Bible study, King’s Kids, FACT, Choir Rehearsal
<i>Saturday</i>	-	9:00 A.M.	-	Wreath making workshop

WEDNESDAY NIGHT MEAL: On Wednesday, November 28th we will have loaded potato soup, roasted broccoli, salad, rolls, and dessert for dinner. The cost is \$4 per person with a \$12 cap per family. After the meal, we will gather for a time of prayer & Bible study. We look forward to seeing you all there.

90TH BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION: Come celebrate with us as we honor Mrs. Lynette Ostell on her 90th birthday immediately following our morning worship service today with a buffet style dinner and reception.

MEN’S BIBLE STUDY: The Men’s Bible study will meet tomorrow evening, Monday November 26th at 8:00 p.m. at the home of Matt Hammond.

WIC CHRISTMAS BANQUET: The WIC Christmas banquet will be held on Tuesday, November 27th at 7:00 p.m. The event will take place at Meg King’s Neighborhood Club House. The cost is \$10 per person.

ANNUAL WREATH MAKING WORKSHOP: NEXT Saturday, December 1st beginning at 9:00 a.m. You won’t want to miss out on the fun NOR miss having a beautiful wreath to greet you every time you open your front door! Please sign up in the Narthex, so we can plan to have plenty of greenery. If you forget to sign up, come join us anyway! Please bring \$5 to cover the cost of making the wreath! Hot chocolate and other goodies will also be served!

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING: We will have a congregational meeting immediately following morning worship on Sunday, December 9th for the purpose of electing officers. Elder nominees are Rob Hines, John Milberger, David Stallings, and Dwight Thomas. Deacon nominees are Wayne Hughes and Spencer King.

CHOIR CONCERT: The Choir will present Handel’s oratorio **MESSIAH** on Sunday, December 16th at 6:00 p.m. A reception immediately following in fellowship hall.

KEENAGERS CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON: Please mark your calendars for Tuesday, December 18th. We will meet at the home of the Ogburns beginning at 11:30 a.m. for a catered Christmas luncheon. Please let the Ogburns know if you plan to attend. Looking forward to a great time of fellowship!!

CRAFTS & CAROLS: Crafts and Carols will be held Sunday, December 23rd beginning at 3:30 p.m. followed by a soup dinner. We need volunteers to assist with crafts. Please contact Jenny Powell @ 678.596.1399. Following the dinner, the children of SPC will present “A Christmas Pageant.” Rehearsal for the pageant will be on Saturday, December 22nd from 10:00 a.m. to noon. All costumes are provided. Please encourage your children to participate. Contact Jim Ogburn @ 678.296.9056.

ANNUAL HATS & GLOVE TREE: The Missions Committee will be sponsoring our annual Hats and Gloves Tree to benefit Smyrna MUST Ministries again this year. The tree will be up and available for items to be placed on it beginning Wednesday, November 28th through New Years. We are collecting new adult and children sized hats, gloves, scarves and socks. If you have any questions, please contact Mark or Pat Jackson. These items have always been joyfully received by the staff at MUST for distribution as there are individuals in our community who do not have heat in their homes. Let us give generously.

NORTON PARK: Please prayerfully consider supporting the Norton Park Elementary food pantry. The pantry will be filled for the upcoming Christmas break. All checks should be made payable to SPC and earmarked Norton Park. As always, we thank you for your continued support towards this outreach ministry within our community.

UPCOMING GREETER SCHEDULE

November 25th

Church Wing—Randy & Page Whitfield

School Wing—Rose Zang

December 2nd

Church Wing—Dan & Donna Hall

School Wing—David & Gail Stallings

UPCOMING NURSERY WORKERS

If you have a conflict, change your date with someone else and contact the staffing coordinator. Please note: You may request a CD for the message preached during your time of service; see the audio team in the sound booth for a copy.

November 25th

Infant—Susan Holland/Kelly Becker

Toddler—Jamie Hughes/Mason Anders

2’s & 3’s—Mary MacGregor/Leah Thomas

Extra—James Wesley

Floater—Adam Crooks

Children’s Church—Ruth O’Neal/Lucy Katrek

December 2nd

Infant—Crystal Katrek/Page Whitfield

Toddler—Smadja Hart/Dwight Thomas

2’s & 3’s—Tansy Ridings/Rose Zang

Extra—Danny Powell

Floater—Paige Crooks

Children’s Church—Paris Garrett/Eryn Ridings

SERMON NOTES

Evening Worship
6:00 P.M.
*“An angel of the LORD appeared to them,
and the glory of the LORD shone around them.”*
~ Luke 2:9

The Prelude
The Words of Welcome
* The Call to Worship
Selected Advent Hymns
Lesson of Advent Hymn No. 221 *Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming*
Mr. Matthew Ramsey
Lesson of Advent Hymn No. 209 *Christians, Awake, Salute the Happy Morn*
Mr. Rob MacGregor
The Offering & Prayer of Dedication
The Offertory
The Evening Prayer
Lesson of Advent Hymn No. 203 *Hark! the Herald Angels Sing*
Mr. Ed Gleason
* The Benediction
The Postlude



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*The ministry of Smyrna Presbyterian Church exists to
worship the triune God by preaching, praying, singing,
and living the Holy Scripture so as to know Christ as a
covenant community of believers and to make Him known
in our community and world.*

Elders
*Let the elders that rule well be counted worthy of double honor, especially they who labor in
the word and doctrine.*
~ I Timothy 5:17

<i>Class of 2018</i>	<i>Class of 2019</i>	<i>Class of 2020</i>
Rob Hines	Rob MacGregor	Dan Hall
John Milberger	David Owen	Bill Pruett
David Stallings		

Elder Emeritus
Gene Hall Chip Howell Don Wilkes

Deacons
*For they that have used the office of a deacon well purchase to themselves a good standing,
and great boldness in the faith which is in Christ Jesus. ~ I Timothy 3:13*

<i>Class of 2019</i>	<i>Class of 2020</i>
Dervon Douglas	Mike Becker
Danny Powell	Andy Fogarty
	Buddy Kelly
	Matt Ramsey
	James Wesley

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