

Order for the Worship of God

11 A.M.

The Prelude *O worship, worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness* Handel

The Welcome & Exhortation to Worship

The Introit *Sing We Now O Christmas* French Noel

* **The Call to Worship – Isaiah 66:1-2**

Pastor: Thus says the LORD: “Heaven is my throne, and the earth is my footstool;

People: what is the house that you would build for me,

Pastor: and what is the place of my rest?

People: All these things my hand has made,

Pastor: and so all these things came to be, declares the LORD.

People: But this is the one to whom I will look:

ALL: he who is humble and contrite in spirit and trembles at My Word.

* **Hymn of Praise No. 302** *Come, Christians, Join to Sing*

* **The Prayer of Invocation**

* **The Confession of Faith – The Apostle’s Creed**

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our LORD, Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church*, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

* **Hymn of Assurance No. 179** *Hallelujah! Thine the Glory*

The Pastoral Prayer

Choral Response *Hear Our Prayer, O LORD*

The LORD’s Tithes and Our Offerings

(Please sign & pass the registration pad)

The Offertory *Fugue in G Minor* J. S. Bach

* **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 Anthem *We Have Seen His Star* Everett Titcomb

We have seen His star, His star in the East and are come with our offerings to worship the LORD.

* **Hymn of Preparation No. 310** *Rejoice, the LORD Is King*
(Children K4-1st grade dismissed to children’s church)

* **The Old Testament Reading – Genesis 35:1-15 (pg. 29)**

The Sermon *What’s in a Name?* Dr. Bruce Lowe

* **Hymn of Affirmation No. 30** *Our God, Our Help in Ages Past*

* **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** *Festival March* Christopher Tambling

* The congregation stands.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR GROWTH

LORD’s Day - 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
6:00 P.M. - Evening Worship
Monday - - New Year’s Eve
Tuesday - - New Year’s Day
Saturday - 10:00 A.M. - Britta Lee’s baby shower

WELCOME: We welcome guest speaker Dr. Bruce Lowe to the pulpit this morning. Dr. Lowe, originally from Australia, is resident faculty of New Testament Studies/Ancient History at Reformed Theological Seminary-Atlanta campus. Bruce and his wife Rachel have five children.

NO WEDNESDAY NIGHT MEAL: There will be no Wednesday night meal on Wednesday, January 2nd. We will resume with our normal Wednesday night meal and activities on Wednesday, January 9th.

BABY SHOWER: All ladies are invited to attend a baby shower for Britta (Jordan) Lee hosted by the Love Circle on Saturday, January 5th beginning at 10:00 a.m. in the fellowship hall. Brunch will be provided. Britta & Jordan are expecting a baby boy and are registered at Amazon. Please sign the sign-up sheet in the narthex if you plan to attend.

SHEPHERDING GROUP FELLOWSHIP: Elder Dan Hall’s Shepherding Group will meet at the home of Wayne & Patty Ramsey on Saturday, January 12th at 6:00 p.m. for dinner and fellowship. Please mark your calendar and plan to attend.

BETHANY SOUP LUNCHEON: The Women in the Church will host a Bethany Soup Luncheon on Sanctity of Life Sunday, January 20th immediately following morning worship in the fellowship hall. Stay tuned for additional details regarding this event.

UPCOMING GREETER SCHEDULE

December 30th

Church Wing— Julie Ramsey
School Wing— David & Gail Stallings

January 6th

Church Wing— Jim & Janice Pitts
School Wing— Smadja Hart

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.

December 30th

Infant— Evelyn Canup/Kelly Becker
Toddler— Jamie Hughes/Mason Anders
2’s & 3’s—Leah Thomas/Jordan Lee
Extra— Dervon Douglas
Floater—Henry Katrek
Children’s Church—Shirley Hovey/Emma Hovey

January 6th

Infant— Kristin Soileau/Kelly Becker
Toddler— Evelyn Canup/Brandon Soileau
2’s & 3’s—Tansy Ridings/Rose Zang
Extra—
Floater—Paige Crooks
Children’s Church—Paris Garrett/Eryn Ridings

SERMON NOTES

Evening Worship		
6:00 P.M.		
The Prelude		
The Words of Welcome		
* The Call to Worship	Revelation 7:9-12	
* The Psalm – 34A	CHAMPS ELYSEES CMD	
The Prayer of Invocation		
The Hymn – 213	<i>What Child Is This</i>	
The Psalter Reading	Psalm 34 (pg. 796-97)	
The Offering & Prayer of Dedication		
The Offertory		
The Evening Prayer		
The Hymn – 207	<i>Good Christian Men, Rejoice</i>	
* The Reading of God's Word	Psalm 34:8 (pg. 464)	
The Sermon	<i>Taste and See</i>	Ed Gleason
* Hymn of Thanksgiving – 214	<i>Angels We Have Heard on High</i>	
* 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
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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	Matt Ramsey
Danny Powell	Andy Fogarty	James Wesley
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