

Service for the Lord's Day

Second Sunday of Advent

Kindly silence your cell phones and electronic devices

Gathering for Worship

CHIMES

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

As Lately We Watched

Austrian Carol

✦ PASSING OF THE PEACE

Leader: The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Leader: Please pass the peace of Christ with one another.

✦ CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Let There Be Peace

(See inside front of hymnal)

Preparation to Hear the Word

Lighting of the Advent Candle

Herb & Lona Lunden

MORNING PRAYER

✦ CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Our help is in the name of the Lord,

People: **who made heaven and earth.**

Leader: This is the day that the Lord has made;

People: **let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

Leader: O come, let us sing to the Lord and shout with joy to the rock of our salvation!

People: **Let us come into God's presence with thanksgiving, singing joyful songs of praise.**

Leader: What shall we return to the Lord for all the good things God has done for us?

People: **We will lift up the cup of salvation and call on the name of the Lord.**

✦ HYMN #81

Glorious Things of Thee are Spoken

Newton/Haydn

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of the future, you are coming in power to bring all nations under your rule. We confess that we have not expected your kingdom, for we live casual lives, ignoring your promised judgment. We accept lies as truth, exploit neighbors, abuse the earth, and refuse your justice and peace.

In your mercy, forgive us. Grant us wisdom to welcome your way, and to seek things that will endure when Christ comes to judge the world.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Here the good news! Who is in a position to condemn? Only Christ, and Christ died for us, Christ rose for us, Christ reigns in power for us, Christ prays for us. Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation. The old life has gone; a new life has begun. Know that you are forgiven and be at peace. **Amen**

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE APOSTLE'S CREED

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God, the Father Almighty. From thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. AMEN.

Proclamation of the Word

OLD TESTAMENT READING

MALACHI 3: 1-4

(OT Pg. 1088)

ANTHEM

Birthday of a King

Just 4 Fun Quartet

Tenor: Patti Cornish, Baritone: Mary Williams, Lead: Clare Gavin, Bass: Shirley Palazzo

NEW TESTAMENT READING

LUKE 21: 29-32

(NT Pg. 104)

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SERMON

"A Refiner's Fire"

Rev. William Kramp

Responding to the Word

✦ HYMN #282

Come Down, O Love Divine

R. Williams

The Sacrament of Communion: The Invitation to the Table, Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise...

The Lord's Prayer

The Breaking of the Bread and Pouring of the Cup

The Communion of the People

The Prayer after Communion

PRESENTATION OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory

O Come, Little Children

German Carol

✦ Doxology

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.*

✦ Prayer of Dedication

Sending Forth to Serve

✦ HYMN #407

Spirit Divine (vs 1, 2 & 4)

Reed/Cruger

✦ CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

✦ CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

*God will take care of you, thru every day, o'er all the way
God will take care of you; God will take care of you.*

Postlude

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

13th Century Plain Song

✦ *All who are able, please stand*

The First Presbyterian Church of Wildwood

**December 5, 2021
Second Sunday of Advent**



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Sunday Service 10:30 AM

Church Office Hours: Monday-Thursday, 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Announcements – December 5, 2021

The Session strongly recommends wearing a mask during worship service.

Angel Tree

The Angel Tree gift tags are available on the tree in the narthex. Please see the enclosed flyer.

Christmas Flowers

Please have order forms in by Sunday, December 12, 2021. They will be placed inside the Bulletin this week and next.

Music

The choirs (bell and vocal) of 1st Presbyterian of Leesburg will give a Christmas concert on Sunday, December 12, at 4:00 pm.

Candlelight Communion Christmas Eve Service, December 24

Join your church family on Friday, December 24 at 6pm for our Traditional Candlelight Communion Christmas Eve Service. We hope to see you then as we celebrate the birth of the Christ child. Invite your friends to this very special worship service

5 Cents a Meal Offering, Sunday December 12

The monthly offering to support our presbytery's missions will be collected next Sunday, December 12, 2021. There will be a basket in front of the pulpit for your offerings, or you may use the special envelopes found in the pew racks.

2022 Financial Pledges

Thank you to all who have returned their 2022 pledge cards. If you have not had a chance to do so yet please return them soon, as the finance team is hard at work on the 2022 budget. There are extras on the tables by the sanctuary doors. You may drop your pledge cards in the offering plate, mail them in, or drop them off in the church office.

Bread Trays

The bread trays being served for Communion Sunday contain a cup in the center of gluten free crackers.

Our Church Family Prayer Concerns

Dorothy Baker, Jerry & Connie Emery, Bill & Beth Kamm, Tom Mosier, Eric & Rhonda Thomas, Jerry Houchens, Jo Ann Koster

This Week's Birthdays and Anniversaries

Suzanne Gordon, December 6; Dawn Cullen, December 10

Tom Mosier, December 11

Looking Ahead

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| Dec. 5, Sun. | Worship | 10:30am |
| Dec. 5, Sun. | Fellowship Gathering..... | 11:30am |
| Dec. 7, Tues. | Finance Committee..... | 10:00am |
| Dec. 12, Sun. | Choir Rehearsal..... | 8:30am |
| Dec. 12, Sun. | Worship/5 Cents a Meal | 10:30am |

We Welcome Our Guests to Worship

Welcome! Your presence with us this morning adds joy to our worship service. Please help us acknowledge your visit by including your name and contact information when the friendship pad is passed during the announcements. You are invited to join us for fellowship following the service. If you are looking for a church home, and feel God is leading you to FPC, please speak with Pastor Susan following worship or call her during the week at 352-748-2530.

THE MISSION OF FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IS:

To be welcoming, caring, and compassionate, joyfully celebrating the Lord, growing spiritually through His presence, while sharing His love and grace.

SERVING DURING WORSHIP TODAY

Pastor: Rev. Bill Kramp

Accompanist: Eunice Mosier

Just 4 Fun Quartet: Tenor-Patti Cornish, Lead-Clare Gavin

Baritone-Mary Williams, Bass-Shirley Palazzo

Ushers: Michele Loser, Chuck Loser, Sandy McKee, Tom McKee

Sound: Brent Morrow