



Peace

December 5, 2021



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Second Sunday of Advent

December 5, 2021

Liturgist: Arlene Wheeler

10:00 AM

*Those who are able, please stand

Welcome and Announcements (including Joys and Concerns)

Prelude

Introit

Prepare the Way of the Lord

Call to Worship and Lighting the Advent Wreath

We are still waiting. One candle in the darkness doesn't offer much light.

And with a promise to act come responsibility to respond.

Taking a risk in a threatening world goes against our need to run and hide.

Poor Joseph caught in a dilemma,

Do what society expects and distance yourself from what might appear scandalous.

Or stick by the frail child facing pregnancy.

Women: What will his choice be?

Men: "Mary I am here, we will go through this together."

All: A second candle now flickers in the darkness.

Choral Response

One Candle is Lit

(To the tune: Away in a Manger ~ no.115)

Come quickly, shalom teach us how to prepare

For a gift that compels us with justice to care.

Our spirits are restless till sin and war cease.

One candle is lit for the reign of God's peace.

Prayer of the Day

*Hymn #88

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

(Stanzas 1, 2, 6, and 7 only)

Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, our baptism proclaims the washing away of our sin and the start of our new life in Christ. But we confess that we still live in sin. We sin against you and one another, in what we do and in what we fail to do. We excuse ourselves, and take comfort in familiar habits and traditions. Forgive us when we mistake such comfort for the peace you offer us in Christ Jesus. Prepare our hearts to embrace new ways of following him. Amen

Assurance of Pardon

Sharing the Peace of Christ

May the peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all!

And also with you!

(Please share the gift of the Prince of Peace with one another!)

Sacred Space

The Chrismon Tree

Moment for Mission

Prayer for Illumination and Understanding

Old Testament Scripture

Malachi 3: 1-4

The Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God

Special Music

On Jordan's Bank, the Baptist's Cry

Gospel

Luke 3:1-6

Meditation

A Cousin's Gift

Rev. Gretchen Schneider

Reaffirmation of the Baptismal Covenant, Welcoming New Members

Presentation

Sentences of Scripture

Profession of Faith

Prayer

Blessing

Welcome

Hymn # 701

Sanctuary (repeat)

Prayers of Intercession for the Family of God, The Lord's Prayer

Sharing Our Gifts

Invitation

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Dedication

Mighty and Merciful God, we bring our gifts to you, trusting that your blessing will multiply their effects in the world. Use them and us to prepare the way for Christ to enter lives with his compassion and courage, so that the world will know his peace and trust his name. Amen

***Hymn #100**

My Soul Cries Out With a Joyful Shout

***Blessing and Benediction**

***Congregational Response #765**

Song of Hope
(sing twice)

***Postlude**

Thanks to Cara Chowning and Hannah Strebing for sharing their musical talents with us today.



Presbyterian Women Christmas Party

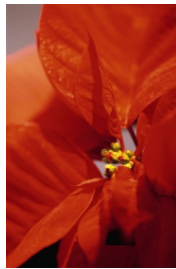
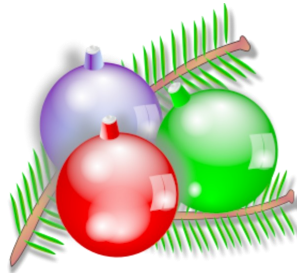
Sarah Circle will be hosting the annual PW Christmas party on

Sunday, December 12 following worship.

ALL members of Sarah and Hope circles, spouses, friends and significant others are welcome.

We will have lunch at **The Grill** and then return to the multipurpose room at the church.

We will have an ornament auction, so please bring a wrapped ornament to be auctioned off.
Hope to see you then!



An order form for Advent Christmas decorations is included in the bulletin. Deadline for donations is December 12.



PW helping Angel Connection

During the month of December, PW will be collecting socks for Angel Connection.

Fill the socks with candy and small items.

Bring them to the church by **TODAY!**



Men of Christ Angel Tree



Help the CPC family make Christmas happy for three local area families. After November 28, here are five easy steps:

- 1) Pick a gift tag from the tree in the Narthex
- 2) Buy and wrap the gift
- 3) Add your personal gift tag
- 4) Add the **original** gift tag **by taping the yarn part onto the present**
- 5) Bring to church by **December 12**

If you would prefer to make a cash donation, place it in an envelope and identify it for the Angel Tree.



Congregational Meeting



Sunday December 12

following service
For election of officers



December

Marguerite Hunter 12/4
Carol Fleshood 12/5
Jeanette Abramo 12/6
Becky Floetker 12/7
Gretchen Schneider 12/8
Tony DeSimone 12/15
Andy Baker 12/16

**If Pastoral Care is needed,
Pastor Gretchen Schneider
Can be reached at
(317) 408-7907 or
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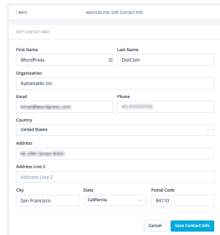


Christ Presbyterian Church wants God to be a vital part of our lives as we reach out to our community and we embrace the following Vision Statement:

We believe that God is calling us to be the open arms, the healing hands, and the loving hearts of the body of Christ in our community.



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Membership
information form
[in the narthex]
and update your family's
information. If you
prefer, you can access your profile at
the church's website
www.christpresby.org and go to the
"member portal" on the member page.**



REMEMBER IN PRAYERS
At Home:
Miki Bean



**In Hospital, Nursing Home &
Assisted Living Centers:**

**Ann McFate @ Wyndmoor of Castleton,
Indpls., IN 46250**

**Mary Alice Beaumont @ American
Village**

**Shirley Tichenor @ Westminster Village
11050 Presbyterian Dr. Apt. 4103;
46236 phone 317-823-6841 *NEW
APT AND PHONE**

**Mary Ann Shearrow Traditions Assisted
Living**

**Betty Burney @ Independence Village
9745 Olympia Drive Room #316;
Fishers, IN 46037 Phone 317-913-
7499**

Dodie Urias @ Community North Rehab



Toys for Tots

What's that Toys for Tots box all about? Tony DeSimone's neighborhood is doing a drive for Toys for Tots. They are putting toys out and the scouts from Troop 88 are collecting them. Tony is keeping the toys safe here at the church. They will be delivered on Monday December 13.

If you would like to add to the box, feel free to do so up until December 12.

Angel Connection Needs These Items

Angel Connection is one of four pantry's filling snack bags for the middle schools. Each pantry will take a month. The nee

Food Drive



small individual snack items.

(Granola bars; chips; pudding cups; fruit cups; candy; gum; crackers; cereal)

NOTHING that requires a can opener. The bags will be sent home with the children on Fridays.

Calendar for Week of December 5

Sunday 12/5	10 AM Worship
	11 AM CE Commission — Education Room
Monday 12/6	7 PM Troop 88 — MP & Education Rooms
Tuesday 12/7	12 Noon Stewardship — The Grill
	1 PM Needlecrafters — MP Room
Thursday 12/9	7:30 PM Sarah Circle — Education Room
Saturday 12/11	9 AM Men of Christ — Lincoln Square
	10 AM Rain gutter Regatta — MP Room
Sunday 12/12	10 AM Worship
	11 AM Congregational Meeting — Sanctuary
	11:30 AM Circle Party — The Grill / MP Room



ATTENDANCE

November 28

In Person — 37

Virtual — 28



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\$667

Year to Date

\$164,078*

***includes \$27.072 PPP**



Pledge Commitment Progress

To date a total of

\$107,154

has been pledged for 2022.

If you haven't returned your pledge card, or need another one see Bill Schofield or Beth King.

Thank you to those of you who have already made your pledge.

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Welcome to CPC

CONNECT WITH US

Please let us know who you are and how we can help you. Please tear off this sheet, fill it in and place in the offering basket.

Today's Date: _____

Name (s): _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

How did you hear about us: _____

[] First Visit [] Address change [] Connect Me:

Please check all that apply:

- I'd like to speak to the pastor
- I'd like more information about programs for children & youth
- I'm interested in joining a small group
- I'd like to receive the newsletter
- I'd like to be on the church's mailing list
- I'd like to help; please have someone contact me to learn about my passions and skills
- I'd like to attend the next membership class
- Other (please tell us): _____

We will keep this information in confidence.