

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Guests: Welcome to Christ Presbyterian Church. We want to thank you for joining us for worship! If this is your first time visiting our church, please fill out a visitor card and place it in the offerings box at the back of the sanctuary. We'd like to send you some info about our church and our ministries. Also, if you have any needs or would like additional information, please see one of the elders or deacons, or send an email to admin@christpreshamptoncove.org.

Ladies' Wednesday Bible Study: The Ladies Wednesday Morning Bible Study will begin a new study on Revelation on January 11. Our pastor, Mike Calvert, will be leading. The study is 9 until 11 A.M. and a nursery is provided. The sign-up sheet is in the Narthex starting today. We need you to sign up to know how many books to order. For questions, contact Kathy Cooper at mandkcooper@gmail.com or Dona Sims at donaksims@bellsouth.net

Ladies' Evening Bible Study: The evening Bible Study will be studying 1&2 Thessalonians, this coming semester, beginning on January 10, 2017. The study will meet on Tuesday evenings at 6pm. Contact Gretchen McKee at gretchenmckee@bellsouth.net for more information and to order a book.

New Year's Day: Sunday School will be cancelled on January 1. Fellowship will begin at 10 AM, with the service commencing at 10:30. Sunday School and other regularly scheduled activities will resume on January 8.

Calendar/Other Announcements: As always, check the website www.christpreshamptoncove.org for additional news and upcoming events.

PRAYER REQUESTS:

Healing: Please pray for the health of the following individuals: Chris Smotherman, Elizabeth Holton, Janet Chou, Ramona Edwards, Katie Dyer, Rebecca Berry, Jenan Nuwayhid, Bill Dent, Zig Jastrebski, Bill and Mitzi Cowley, Leon Galecki, and Suzanne Nimon.

Expecting parents: Please pray for the Lancaster family who is due in April, and for the McCool family who is due in June.

Ministries: Please pray for the following missionaries and ministries: Seth and Jessica Lewis (Ireland); Steve and Rita Williams (New Zealand); Reid and Kelli Jones, Jennifer Kent (RUF UAH); Ken and Angie Burnett (FCA); Franky Garcia (seminary student).



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ORDER OF WORSHIP – December 25,
2016

Call to Worship: Isaiah 9:2,6

Pastor: The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who dwelt in a land of deep darkness, on them has light shined.

People: For to us a Child is born, to us a Son is given; and the government shall be upon His shoulder, and His name shall be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace

Prayer of Adoration:

Old Testament Lesson: Isaiah 52:7-10

Song: O Come, O Come Emmanuel - Hymn 194 v.1,4,5

Song: O Little Town of Bethlehem - Hymn 201 v.1-4

New Testament Lesson: John 1:1-14

Confession of Sin: From Isaiah 60

Pastor: Arise, shine: for your light has come.

People: O God, we live as if the light had never defeated the darkness in the world or in us.

Pastor: And the glory of the Lord has risen upon you.

People: We confess that we ignore Christ, the One You sent to be among us, to be in us.

Pastor: For behold, darkness shall cover the earth, and thick darkness the peoples; but the Lord will arise upon you, and His glory will be seen upon you.

People: We've kept the birth of Your Son confined to the Christmas season and do not yearn for His birth each moment in our waiting hearts.

Pastor: And nations shall come to Your light, and kings to the brightness of Your rising.

People: Lord, You came to us in the fullness of time. Forgive us for not opening our eyes to Your coming.

Pastor: May we prepare for Your coming.

People: Let the earth ring with song. Let the light break forth.

Pastor: Let us all rejoice in the miracle of the Incarnation.

People: Let Christ come into the fullness of our time. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon: Jeremiah 33:15-16

In those days and at that time I will cause a righteous Branch to spring up for David, and he shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In those days Judah will be saved, and Jerusalem will dwell securely. And this is the name by which it will be called: 'The Lord is our righteousness.'

Song: It Came Upon a Midnight Clear - Hymn 200 v.1,3-4

Scripture Reading and Prayer for the Church:

Crawford Dillon, Ruling Elder – Psalm 2

Preaching of the Word: Dr. Michael Calvert, Teaching Elder

“That They May Be With Me Where I Am” - John 17:24

Confession of Faith: The Heidelberg Catechism Q. 35

Q. What does it mean that He “was conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary”?

A. That the eternal Son of God, who is and remains true and eternal God, took to Himself, through the working of the Holy Spirit, from the flesh and blood of the virgin Mary, a truly human nature so that He might also become David’s true descendant, like His brothers and sisters in every way except for sin.

Communion*:

Song: Joyful, Joyful - CCLI# 25321

Joyful, joyful, we adore thee, God of glory, Lord of Love
Hearts unfold like flowers before thee, praising Thee their sun above
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness, drive the dark of doubt away
Giver of immortal gladness, fill us with the light of day

All Thy works with joy surround thee, Earth and heaven reflect Thy rays

Stars and angels sing around Thee, center of unbroken praise
Field and forest, vale and mountain, blooming meadow, flashing sea
Chanting bird and flowing fountain call us to rejoice in thee

Benediction: John 14:27

Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid.

*We invite to the table of the Lord those who are trusting in Christ alone for salvation (Acts 16:30-31; Rom. 10:11-13), are seeking to live a godly, Christian life (Rom. 12:1-2; Eph. 4:1-6; Heb. 12:14), have made a public profession of faith before the Church (Acts 2:38-39; 1 Timothy 6:12), are baptized members of a Bible believing, Christ-preaching Church (Acts 2:41; Heb. 13:17; Titus 1:5), and are not under Church discipline (Matt 16:19; 18:15-18; 1 Cor. 5:1-7).

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Elders: Dr. Michael Calvert, PhD, Pastor; Dr. Bud Lancaster, MD, Crawford Dillon.

Active Deacons: Jack Loose (Chairman), Jeff Brown, Graham Burgess, Ben Calvert, Norman Dean, Glen Doughty, John Jeffery, Bill McNeese, Paul Matheny, David O’Neil, Steve Profozich, Scott Schnorrenberg, Joe Sims, Adam Turnbull.

Staff: Jack Cooper, Church Administrator; Ashley Turnbull, Children’s Coordinator; Ken Burnett, Assistant to Pastor and Student Ministries