

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PRAYER REQUESTS:

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.

Alleluia Choir: Note the change in time, the Alleluia Choir continues practice today upstairs at the church house at 3:30 PM. They are preparing for their Christmas program, which will be at 6 PM on December 17.

Women's Christmas Dinner: The annual Women's Christmas Dinner will be at the Monte Sano Lodge on December 6 at 6 PM. Please contact Denise Scrip for details about this event.

Senior Fellows: The Senior Fellows group will have breakfast on December 12 at 9 AM at the church house. They will also visit a local veterans home on December 19 at 9 AM. For more information about these events, please contact Joe Sims or Dennis Sanders, or email seniorfellows@christpreshamptoncove.org

CARE Center Support: We are going to be supporting the Care Center with donations this Christmas. They have specifically requested dry cereal (Cheerios, Corn Flakes, Oatmeal, etc.) and toiletries (soap, shampoo, deodorant, toothpaste, etc.). On Dec 3rd, 10th and 17th, please bring items to place in collection bins that will be located in the narthex. See Norman Dean if you have questions.

Advent Scripture Read-along: Denise Brown is coordinating the ladies reading together through the book of Romans during the Advent season. Please see her if interested in participating.

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

Healing: Please pray for the health of the following individuals: Bud Lancaster, Pam Thomason, Robin Holloway, Chris Smotherman, Elizabeth Holton, Janet Chou, Ramona Edwards, Nolan Osmer, George Boyd, and Joyce Bosley.

Expecting: Please pray for the Bryant family, expecting in December, the Townsley family, expecting in March, and the Staffords and Deans, expecting in April.

Ministries: Please pray for the following missionaries and ministries: Seth and Jessica Lewis (Ireland); Steve and Rita Williams (New Zealand); Vinnie and Molly Athey (RUF at UAH); RUF at Alabama A&M; Ken and Angie Burnett (FCA); Franky Garcia (seminary student).

CHRIST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (PCA)

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Teaching Elder: Dr. Michael Calvert, PhD

Ruling Elders: Dr. Bud Lancaster, MD, Crawford Dillon, Fred Fohrell

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

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ORDER OF WORSHIP – DECEMBER 3, 2017
FIRST SUNDAY IN ADVENT

Call to Worship: Psalm 80:1-7

Pastor: Hear us, Shepherd of Israel, you who lead Joseph like a flock.

People: **You who sit enthroned between the cherubim, shine forth before Ephraim, Benjamin and Manasseh.**

Pastor: Awaken your might; come and save us.

People: **Restore us, O God; make your face shine on us, that we may be saved.**

Pastor: How long, Lord God Almighty, will your anger smolder against the prayers of your people?

People: **You have fed them with the bread of tears; you have made them drink tears by the bowlful.**

Pastor: You have made us an object of derision to our neighbors, and our enemies mock us.

People: **Restore us, God Almighty; make your face shine on us, that we may be saved.**

Prayer of Adoration:

Old Testament Lesson: Isaiah 64:1-8

Song: Hallelujah, Praise Jehovah

Hallelujah, praise Jehovah, O my soul Jehovah praise;
I will sing the glorious praises of my God through all my days.
Put no confidence in princes, nor for help on man depend;
he shall die, to dust returning, and his purposes shall end.

Happy is the man that chooses Israel's God to be his aid;
he is blessed whose hope of blessing on the Lord his God is stayed.
Heav'n and earth the Lord created, seas an all that they contain;
he delivers from oppression, righteousness he will maintain

Food he daily gives the hungry, sets the mourning pris'ner free,
raises those bowed down with anguish, makes the sightless eye to see.
Well Jehovah loves the righteous, and the stranger he befriends,
helps the fatherless and widow, judgment on the wicked sends.

Hallelujah, praise Jehovah, O my soul Jehovah praise;
I will sing the glorious praises of my God through all my days.
Over all God reigns forever, through all ages he is King;
unto him your God O Zion, joyful hallelujahs sing.

Song: The Son of God Came Down - CCLI# 4866259

The Son of God came down and laid aside His crown
Born without great renown, this Sovereign One
All holiness and might, all glory shining bright
Have come to earth this night in Mary's son
O come, let us adore

CHORUS: O Christ the Lord, our hope and Savior
Son of God yet made like us, O Christ the Lord, our King adored
Born a child, our Lord, Jesus

Messiah born so small, asleep in cattle stall
Come to redeem our fall, nailed to a tree
This tiny, helpless child through death would reconcile
The holy God and vile, His grace so free
O come, let us adore

New Testament Lesson: 1 Corinthians 1:3-9

Confession of Faith: The Apostles' Creed, Trinity Hymnal p.845

Song: Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus - Hymn 196 v.1-4

Scripture Reading and Prayer for the Church:

Crawford Dillon, Ruling Elder - Mark 11:1-10

Preaching of the Word: Dr. Michael Calvert, Teaching Elder
"What Mary Said" - Luke 1:34, 38, 46-55

Confession of Sin: From Psalm 51

Pastor: Have mercy on me, O God, according to your unfailing love;
according to your great compassion blot out my transgressions.
Wash away all my iniquity and cleanse me from my sin. For I
know my transgressions, and my sin is always before me. Against
you, you only, have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight;
so you are right in your verdict and justified when you judge.

People: **Cleanse me with hyssop, and I will be clean; wash me, and I
will be whiter than snow. Let me hear joy and gladness; let
the bones you have crushed rejoice. Hide your face from my
sins and blot out all my iniquity. Create in me a pure heart, O
God, and renew a steadfast spirit within me. Do not cast me
from your presence or take your Holy Spirit from me. Restore
to me the joy of your salvation and grant me a willing spirit,
to sustain me.**

Assurance of Pardon: Romans 5:1-2

*Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with
God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have gained access
by faith into this grace in which we now stand. And we boast in the hope
of the glory of God.*

Communion*:

Song: Come Thou Fount - Hymn 457 v.1-3

Benediction: Ephesians 6:23

*Peace to the brothers and sisters, and love with faith from God the Father
and the Lord Jesus Christ.*

*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).