

Welcome Guests

We welcome all who are worshipping with us today. If you are our guest, we pray that your experience will nurture your faith and that you feel welcome in this community of faith.

Nursery: Available from 9:45 –11:15 am

Children's Worship: K-5th Grades

After the Children's Time during the service, volunteers will escort the children from worship to the hospitality tent for special stories and activities geared just for them. Parents may pick them up after worship.

Flowers are dedicated to the glory of God and . . .

*In celebration of
Bill's birthday
by Mary Lou Sick*



*In memory of
Claude & Mary Harper's
anniversary
by Chuck & Alice Harper*

Calendar

Sunday, December 20 Fourth Sunday in Advent	10:00 am	Worship
Thursday, December 24	7:00 pm	Christmas Eve Candlelight Service
Friday, December 25		Christmas
Office Closed Dec. 25-Jan. 3		

Remember in Prayer

Chris Gesdorf
Nancy Gonzalez (Crystal Phillips' mother)
Margo Grout
Sydney Hale (Judy Schuler's granddaughter)
Bob Hiller
Martha Johnson
Lea (Merrilyn Opendo's daughter)
Hiram Lomanto

Carol Maurer (sister of Cathy Horan/Linda Burkert)
Emily McAllister (Gale Keeley's mother)
Kathy (Larry & Glenyce Payne's daughter)
Ray & Pam Paul (Amy Zalusky's parents)
Bill Salisbury (Tammie Wright's father)
Roger & Lori Rice (Judy Schuler's brother & sister
in law)
Mel & Sue Williams

Fourth Sunday in Advent

December 20, 2020



Light Leading
to Peace

Hodges Boulevard Presbyterian Church

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Connecting people for whole-hearted discipleship in Jesus Christ.

Order of Worship

We Gather

GATHERING MUSIC

*SONG OF PRAISE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Jonathan Swanson

OPENING PRAYER

*OPENING PRAISE

"People Look East"

On Screen

CALL TO CONFESSION

Exodus 34:6-7

Tim Keeley

The LORD, the LORD, a God merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness, keeping steadfast love for the thousandth generation, forgiving iniquity and transgression and sin.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

For the single-minded rush to get things done,

In your mercy, forgive us, O God.

For our obsession with trivial details,

In your mercy, forgive us, O God.

For the financial burdens we place on ourselves,

In your mercy, forgive us, O God.

For our cynicism that freezes our faith and our actions,

In your mercy, forgive us, O God.

Draw us back to the God of love, who came to us,

To free us from the sin in our lives...(moments of silence)

ASSURANCE

Psalms 32:1-2

Happy are those whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered. Happy are those to whom the Lord imputes no iniquity.

*RESPONSE TO FORGIVENESS

"Gloria Patri"

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

*PASSING THE PEACE

(Please stand and wave to your neighbor)

*RESPONSE

"Good Christian Friends Rejoice"

**All who are able may stand*

Proclaiming God's Word

BAPTISM

Olivia Chaloner Parmenter

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Debbie Abbott

(Children through 5th grade may exit)

ADVENT WREATH LIGHTING CEREMONY

Thomas Blunt

MUSICAL MEDITATION

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Hosea 6:3

Mary Alderman

Let us know, let us press on to know the Lord; his appearing is as sure as the dawn; he will come to us like the showers, like the spring rains that water the earth. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Isaiah 9:1-2, 6-7

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Matthew 4:12-16

SERMON

Finding God's Light

IMPACT REPORT

Hubbard House

Responding to the Word

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Departing to Live and Love as Christ's Disciples

*CLOSING PRAISE

*CLOSING PRAYER

Isaiah 9:6

For a child has been born for us, a son given to us; authority rests upon his shoulders; and he is named Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. Amen.

*PARTING MUSIC