

THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY
Traditional Service at 8:30 AM and 10:55 AM
King Street Worship at 10:30 AM

December 23, 2018

FOURTH SUNDAY IN ADVENT

PASSING OF THE PEACE

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

MEDITATION: *As Lately We Watched with Cradle Song* arr. Bill Ingram
Handchime Choir directed by Karen Grady
Bill Jones, Dick House, Tabi Stevens, Shannon Stevens
Barbara Norris, Fran Ohlsen, Reva Dixon, Kathy Reid, Ruth Dykstra, Carol Eder,
Marguerite Martin, Eva House

WELCOME

(Please sign and pass the friendship register in the pew next to the center aisle.)

INTROIT: *Go Tell It on the Mountain* Arr. Ed Hogan
Trombonist: Grant Sitrler

CALL TO WORSHIP

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH: The Candle of Love
8:30 am Service – Ed Joran and Roberta Swanson
10:55 am Service – Carlton and Mary Sizemore

*HYMN: *Angels We Have Heard on High* No. 214

PRAYER OF CONFESSION:

God of Advent, thank you for loving us perfectly. Forgive us for loving you partially. Our lack of love for you is demonstrated daily when we fail to show your love to others. Bring afresh to our hearts the message of Christmas, the realization that your love is ours, and it is offered to the world. This we pray in the name of the baby born to us. AMEN.

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

ANTHEM: *A Child This Day*

arr. Benjamin Harlan

CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

MINUTE FOR MINISTRY

Nursery

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH:

1 Timothy 3

Great is the mystery of Christ's coming:
He appeared in the flesh,
as a baby in a manger,
was vindicated by the Spirit,
was seen by angels,
was preached among the nations,
was believed in the world,
was taken up in glory.

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE:

Stanza 1, Hymn 211

*God rest you merry gentlemen, let nothing you dismay
remember Christ our Savior was born on Christmas day,
to save us all from Satan's pow'r when we were gone astray;
O tidings of comfort and joy, comfort and joy,
O tidings of comfort and joy.*

OFFERTORY: *O Come, O Come Emmanuel*

Pianist: John Bayne

arr. Joseph M. Martin

*DOXOLOGY

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SCRIPTURE READING:

Luke 1:26-38

SERMON:

"Packaged Love"
"You will be with child...
"You are to give him the name Jesus."
Luke 1:31

Pastor Bill

*INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

*BLESSING

†*CONGREGATIONAL CHORAL RESPONSE:

Stanza 4, Hymn 196

*Born thy people to deliver, born a child and yet a king,
born to reign in us forever, now thy gracious kingdom bring,
By thine own eternal Spirit rule in all our hearts alone;
by thine all sufficient merit, raise us to thy glorious throne.*

*POSTLUDE: *He Is Born*

arr. Carolyn Hamlin

† 10:55 AM service only

**Those who are able may stand.*

The 10:55 am service is being broadcast on WHKP 1450 AM & 107.7 FM and now
livestreamed on our Facebook page and Website.

CHANCEL CHOIR

Brenda Bradshaw, Janet Briner, Carol Broyles, Reva Dixon, Len Dykstra, Ruth Dykstra,
Kathy Gagnon, Cathy Gilbert, Karen Grady, Martha Guice, Roy Hathaway, Sally Hicks,
Bob Hollis, Brenda Holmer, Don Holmer, Bill Jones, Sherri Jones, Rená Johnson, Everett
Lamb, John Maier, Marguerite Martin, Caryl Mobley, Larry Mobley, Barbara Norris, Nancy
Payne, Diane Pearce, Grant Sitler, Susan Sitler, Barbara Smith, Bette-Lee Taylor,
Mary Beth Walls

OPPORTUNITIES FOR WORSHIP AND SERVICE

Week of December 23 through December 29, 2018

THE SESSION

Class of 2018
Kathy Gagnon
Robert Price
Rick Spindler
Dale Stephens

Class of 2019
Brenda Bradshaw
Laura Morris
Bruce Rau

Class of 2020
Louis Haynes
Ralph Mitchell
Charles Young

THE BOARD OF DEACONS

Class of 2018
Rosalind Bauer
Sally Hicks
Anne Ridings

Class of 2019
Tommy Brendel
Cindy Leonard
Judy Todd
Ragena White

Class of 2020
Clay Haskins
Sherri Jones
Fran Ohlsen
Lynette Stark

CHURCH STAFF

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SUNDAY

8:30 am
9:30 am
10:30 am
10:55 am

Early Worship in Chapel
Sunday School
King Street Praise and Worship in Chapel
Traditional Worship in Sanctuary

MONDAY

10:00 am

*Beyond Words Radio on WHKP 1450 AM/
107.7 FM "The Golden Traditions of Christmas"
with Ace Collins*

Church Office Closes at Noon

Christmas Eve Candlelight and Communion
Service

6:00 pm

TUESDAY



WEDNESDAY

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED
NO WED NIGHT DINNER OR PROGRAMS

THURSDAY

12:00 pm

Community Prayer Gathering in Chapel

FRIDAY

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING: There will be a congregational meeting immediately following the 10:55am service today for the purpose of electing new officers.

SPECIAL EVENT: *New Year Circle Dance to Praise & Worship God 4 -6pm Sunday, Dec 30th, 2018 in the Fellowship Hall with Tarleton & Laurie.*

Ongoing: *Wednesdays in the recreation room, Circle Dance Prayer with Tarleton: 4 - 5:20pm, Messianic Dance Practice with Laurie: 6 - 8pm.*

ENDOWMENT FUND: Status as of December 23, 2018; Year to Date Goal, \$20,000, Year to Date contributions, \$12,590, Net -\$7410.

WORSHIP ATTENDANCE: Sunday, Dec 16th, 2018 – 233

8:30 AM: 37; KSW: 57; and 10:55 AM: 139

WE WELCOME YOU THIS MORNING!

A warm Hendersonville Presbyterian Church welcome to those visitors who are worshiping with us today! We are glad you are here. If you would like to follow Jesus Christ through the fellowship of this congregation, please make a note on the friendship pad, or speak with one of the pastors at the door. Visitor name tags are available in the elevator lobby. Be sure to visit one of the welcome centers for a special gift. Ushers this morning are - 8:30 AM: Dick and Eva House, Dale and Linda Stephens; 10:55 AM: Gib and Nancy Campbell, Chuck Emel, Clay Haskins and Glenn Richardson. The special music at the 8:30 AM service features Diane Hamilton playing a piano solo *Immanuel* by Don Wyrzten and *Away in a Manger* by James R. Murray. Candance Norton will accompany her on the flute.

CARE AND CONCERN

MISSIONARY PRAYER REQUEST: At Christmas time we hear from family and friends about their lives, especially their families. So, it is fitting that we hear about our missionary families. John Hever has been at our church often while visiting his mother, Marge Hever. His Christmas family news is about the engagement of his daughter Katelyn. Katelyn and her fiancé Roddy chose the Biltmore Estate for their “will you” event, and John’s still smiling. He also shared news about Caleb. Caleb has decided to switch from engineering to pastoral counseling, which led to changing to University of Central Florida and joining an intern program.

SPIRITUAL GROWTH AND ENRICHMENT

SUNDAY SCHOOL: We invite you to participate in one of our 9:30 AM classes. The Special Topics class meets in Room 206 and is studying “*Eternity is Now in Session*” by John Ortberg and Gary Moon. The Trinity Class meets in Room 210 and is studying *Minor Prophets, Malachi*, on Dec 30th. The Conversation class meets in Room 208 and is studying the Book of Acts.

CHILDREN AND YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL: We invite the children and youth to participate in one of the following classes. The Elementary School class is studying, *Prepare Him Room, an Advent Study* and the Middle and High School class are using The Bible Project to study Advent. Classes meet in Rooms 215 and 219.

RADIO PROGRAM: Tune in Monday morning, December 24th, 2018, from 10:00 – 11:00 am on WHKP 1450 AM/107.7 FM for *Beyond Words Radio*. Topic: “*The Golden Traditions of Christmas*” with Ace Collins. The golden traditions of Christmas—gifts, wreaths, stockings, carols, mistletoe, and more—infuse our celebration of the season with meaning and glowing memories. And, in ways you may not realize, they point us to the birth of Christ. Join us and be touched with spiritual insights, true-life tales, and captivating legends to intrigue you and your family and bring new luster and depth to your celebration of Jesus’ birth. You may listen through the internet by connecting to the link found on www.whkp.com. Archived podcasts are available at www.beyondwordradio.com.

COMMUNITY PRAYER GATHERING: Join us for a weekly prayer gathering, each Thursday at 12:00 noon in the Chapel. Come expecting God to meet us!

UPCOMING EVENTS



NO WEDNESDAY NIGHT DINNER: There will be no Wednesday night dinner or programs on December 26, 2018 and January 2, 2019. Dinner and programming will resume on Wednesday, January 9, 2019.

PLEASE NOTE: The church office will be closed on Tuesday and Wednesday, December 25 & 26, and will reopen on Thursday, December 27 at 8:30 AM.

BIBLE IN 90 DAYS, a life-transforming read through God’s Word from beginning to end, is tentatively scheduled to be held on Thursdays, beginning January 17, from 2 to 3:15 PM, led by Pastor Bill and other facilitators. If you are interested in reading the Bible from cover to cover in just three months with the support of a group experience and excellent leadership videos, please see the flyer in the narthex and fellowship hall for more details.

CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE: Christmas Eve Candlelight and Communion service will be in the sanctuary at 6:00 pm. Pastor Bill will deliver the homily and the youth will do the scripture readings. Musicians include: The Adult and Children’s choirs, Gabe Morris, Luke Morris, and Brenda Holmer, pianists; Rachel and Sarah Macdonald, violinists; Grant Sitler, trombonist; Cathey Gilbert, soloist; and Jackie Siverly will accompany Gayle Stepp on the hymns. Refreshments will be served at 5:15 pm.

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

2019 OFFERING ENVELOPES: Please pick up your 2019 offering envelopes in the Fellowship Hall. They are in alphabetical order for your convenience. Thank you for saving the church the cost of postage.

FIX IT FRIENDS: What does Fix It Friends do? They make MINOR repairs that a handyman might do in a couple of hours or less. So, don’t take a chance falling off a ladder to change a light bulb or smoke detector. Call Roy Hathaway at 828 676-8788 or at royhathaway@yahoo.com to assess your tasks and one of our 14 volunteers will call you to make an appointment for completing the task.

NEW SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS: The Christian Education Committee is announcing a new Sunday School class called “*Digging Deeper, Hearing His Voice*” that will begin on Jan 13, 2019. The class is a study of the life of David and will be taught by Bill Jones in the Fellowship Hall. Please consider attending if you are not currently in a Sunday School class.

FLOWER CALENDAR: The 2019 Flower Calendar is posted in the information center in the Fellowship Hall. The suggested donation is \$40. Please make your check payable to Hendersonville Presbyterian Church and note ‘flowers’ in the memo section, and mark as a designated gift for ‘flowers’ on your offering envelope.