

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 9, 2018

SECOND SUNDAY IN ADVENT

PASSING OF THE PEACE

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

WELCOME

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

INTROIT: *As Lately We Watches 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

CALL TO WORSHIP

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH: The Candle of Peace  
8:30 am Service – Bruce and Marlene Rau  
10:55 am Service – Chuck and Priscilla Rouse

\*HYMN: *O Come, All Ye Faithful* No. 208

PRAYER OF CONFESSION:

Great God who rules the heavens, thank you for bringing hope, joy, and peace to the earth. Help us to surrender all to you and to live in your ways. Forgive us for the times we have forged ahead without your leading, and teach us to abide in your presence, that we might live with the peace of Advent. Amen.

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

ANTHEM: *O Sing a Song of Bethlehem*

arr. Benjamin Harlan

CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH:

Isaiah 9:6

Let us celebrate and be glad.  
For to us a child is born,  
to us a son is given,  
and the government will be on his shoulders.  
And he will be called  
Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God,  
Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE:

Stanza 3, Hymn 207

*Good Christian men, rejoice, with heart and soul and voice;  
now ye need not fear the grave: Jesus Christ was born to save!  
Calls you one and call you all to gain his everlasting hall.  
Christ was born to save! Christ was born to save!*

OFFERTORY: *And the Stars Sang*

Joseph M. Martin

Soloist: Rená Johnson

\*DOXOLOGY

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SCRIPTURE READINGS:

Luke 2:1-14

SERMON:

“Peace on Earth  
“Peace to those on whom His favor rests.”  
- Luke 2:14

Pastor Bill

\*INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

\*BLESSING

†\*CONGREGATIONAL CHORAL RESPONSE:

Stanza 4, Hymn 200

*For lo, the days are hast'ning on, by prophet bards foretold,  
when with the ever-circling years comes 'round the age of gold;  
when peace shall over all the earth its ancient splendors fling,  
and the whole world give back the song which now the angels sing.*

\*POSTLUDE: *Noel, Noel, Tidings Now We Bring*

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, Cathey 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

<b>THE SESSION</b>		
<i>Class of 2018</i> Kathy Gagnon Robert Price Rick Spindler Dale Stephens	<i>Class of 2019</i> Brenda Bradshaw Laura Morris Bruce Rau	<i>Class of 2020</i> Louis Haynes Ralph Mitchell Charles Young

<b>THE BOARD OF DEACONS</b>		
<i>Class of 2018</i> Rosalind Bauer Sally Hicks Anne Ridings	<i>Class of 2019</i> Tommy Brendel Cindy Leonard Judy Todd Ragena White	<i>Class of 2020</i> Clay Haskins Sherri Jones Fran Ohlsen Lynette Stark

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**OPPORTUNITIES FOR WORSHIP AND SERVICE**

Week of December 9 through December 15, 2018

<b>SUNDAY</b> 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
<b>MONDAY</b> 9:30 am 10:00 am  11:00 am  4:00 pm	Presbyterian Women Circles <i>Beyond Words Radio</i> on WHKP 1450 AM/ 107.7 FM “ <i>The Magnificent Journey</i> ” with James Bryan Smith Presbyterian Women Christmas Program & Luncheon Missionary Care Committee Meeting
<b>TUESDAY</b> 9:00 am 9:30 am 5:30 pm	Local Outreach Ladies Bible Study in Room 208 Community Chess Club
<b>WEDNESDAY</b> 3:30 pm 4:00 pm 5:25 pm 6:25 pm	Stephen Ministry Supervision Meeting Handchime Choir Rehearsal Wednesday Evening Dinner in Fellowship Hall Table Talk: “ <i>A Joyous Transition</i> – HPC Elders
<b>THURSDAY</b> 9:00 am 11:00 am 12:00 pm 5:00 pm 6:30 pm	Women’s Community Bible Study Creative Beginnings Christmas Program Community Prayer Gather in Chapel Cub Scout Pack 628 Meeting Boy Scout Troop 628 Meeting
<b>FRIDAY</b> 1:00 pm	GriefShare Meeting in Room 206

**SAVE THE DATE:** The Blue Ridge Ringers will hold their annual benefit Christmas concert in our Sanctuary on December 16<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 PM. Donations will be accepted.

<p><b>WORSHIP ATTENDANCE: Sunday, Dec 2nd, 2018 – 282</b> 8:30 AM: 40; KSW and 10:55 AM (COMBINED): 242</p>
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## 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: Ralph and Sharon Mitchell, Anne Ridings, Darlene Davey and Bob Briner. The special music at the 8:30 AM service features Gayle Stepp playing *Silent Night* and *Go Tell It on the Mountain*, arranged by Phillip Keveren.

## CARE AND CONCERN

**MISSIONARY PRAYER REQUEST:** Steve and Margie Doty, with the Wycliffe Bible Translators, are some of the “heavy lifters” in missions work. They teach students to be translators and then oversee their translations. Steve, stationed in Thailand, often travels around the country or to unnamed countries to help check on translations or to solve translation problems. Their Updates share examples of the phonological or translation challenges some of the students face as they attempt to compose a Bible where a written language hasn’t existed. There is a danger to their work and they ask for prayer.

## 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, Zechariah*, on Dec 16<sup>th</sup>. 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 of The Bible Project to study Advent. Classes meet in Rooms 215 and 219.

**RADIO PROGRAM:** Tune in Monday morning, December 10th, 2018, from 10:00 – 11:00 am on WHKP 1450 AM/107.7 FM for *Beyond Words Radio*. Topic: *“The Magnificent Journey”* with James Bryan Smith. We can read in the Scriptures about Jesus and observe how he walked in the world. But what do people see when they observe our lives? We are called to walk like him. Such a walk can only occur as we learn to yield our lives, from the inside out, to the leading of the Lord. Author and professor James Bryan Smith, who has been mentored by Richard Foster and Dallas Willard, provides insights to help us along the way. You may listen through the internet by connecting to the link found on [www.whkp.com](http://www.whkp.com). Archived podcasts are available at [www.beyondwordradio.com](http://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

**WEDNESDAY TABLE TALK:** For our Table Talk this week, join us as HPC Elders discuss *“A Joyous Transition.”* Reservations for the 5:25 PM catered dinner are required and may be made at worship on Sunday or by calling the church office at 692-3211 by Tuesday noon. Also, if the need arises to cancel a reservation, please call the church office as soon as possible. The menu for this Wednesday is Prime Rib, Loaded Baked Potato Casserole, Vegetable Medley, Greek, Mixed Greens and Chef Choice Salad and Dessert. Fresh fruit is also available for diabetic restricted diets. You may attend the catered dinner at 5:25 PM or simply arrive at 6:25 PM when the service begins.

**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 3:30 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 flier in the narthex and fellowship hall for more details.

**THE WOMEN IN MINISTRY** will hold its next meeting on Monday, December 10th starting at 9:30am. The program, Celebrating Christmas will begin at 11am. Christmas music will be led by Gayle Stepp with Candace Norton, flautist. There will be a group carol singing. Lunch will be at 11:30am. Please sign up on our bulletin board in the Fellowship Hall.

**CHRISTMAS PARTY AND POTLUCK** for families, children and youth will be hosted by Andy and Laura Morris this evening, 5 – 7:00 PM. Please join us for worship, joyful fellowship, and a white elephant gift exchange (each adult bring a gift under \$5.) There will be Christmas crafting for the kids. Please RSVP to Laura at (828) 808-6953.

**CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE:** The Christmas Eve Candlelight and Communion service will be at 6:00 PM in the Sanctuary. The Adult and Children’s choirs will sing an anthem together. Soloists will include Gabe and Luke Morris, Pianist; Cathey Gilbert, vocal soloist, and The Macdonald girls playing selections on their violins accompanied by Gayle Stepp on the Piano. Refreshments will be served before the service 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.

**CONGREGATIONAL MEETING:** There will be a congregational meeting immediately following the 10:55am service on Dec 16<sup>th</sup> for the purpose of electing new officers.

**NURSERY HELP:** All of us have a great opportunity to serve the Lord by working at least once a quarter in our Sunday morning nursery. Please consider this worthwhile ministry as we begin to schedule for the first quarter of 2019. If you are willing to work, please contact Tommy Brendel at [tommybrendel59@gmail.com](mailto:tommybrendel59@gmail.com) or call 828 551 5940, as soon as possible. We really need help. Thank you.