WELCOME GUESTS!

We would like to welcome all our guests who are joining us for worship today, both inperson and online! We are so glad you are here. If you have any questions about the HPC Family, please make a note in the friendship pad, online on the comment bar, message us through Facebook, or email the office. Thank you for joining us today! We hope you will have an encounter with the Living God and join us again in worship.

WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES:

We are One Church with two distinct styles of worship: Contemporary Worship Service at 9:00 am in the Fellowship Hall Traditional Worship Service at 11:00 am in the Sanctuary Come join us for a wonderful worship opportunity!

CHILDRENS MINISTRY:

Our Children's Ministry meets each Sunday morning at 11:00 am. in the Rec Room in the Children's Ministry wing of the Church. This is a fun-filled time of singing, study, and fun application at an age-appropriate level. If you would like to receive more information, please contact the Church Office – 828-692-3211

YOUTH MINISTRY:

6th-12th grade youth meet each Sunday at 6:00 PM in the upstairs youth rooms for food, fun, and fellowship. If you have questions or would like to know more about the youth group, text, or call Pastor Charles at 540-679-0588, or email him at ckreed@hendersonvillepc.org.

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THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY Traditional Service 11:00 am December 10, 2023

PRELUDE	Winter Peace	Jim Brickman		
WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS				
MINUTE FOR MISSION	Creative Beginnings	Katrina Bowen		
OPENING 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.				
 LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE Doug and Maureen DiRienzo We light this candle, the candle of Peace, as a sign of the coming light of Christ. Advent means coming. We are preparing ourselves for the days when the church together will cry out Come Lord Jesus. O Adonai, Ruler of the House of Israel, you appeared in the burning bush to Moses and gave him the law on Sinai: Come with outstretched arm and save us! Come Lord Jesus! 				
*OPENING HYMN #211:	God Rest You Merry Gentlemen	stanzas 1, 2, & 4		
PRAYER OF CONFESSION We are reminded. O Go	d, that you have surprised us w	Liturgist: Bill Jones		

We are reminded, O God, that you have surprised us with your presence in unexpected ways. In the midst of our routine, we have missed the treasure that you place before us. We gather to worship you expecting nothing more than the usual. We begin our months, our weeks, and even our days assuming all will go as it always has. We do not look for the unexpected. Forgive us! Help us to see your active presence in our daily lives. Help us to see glimpses of your glory in the ordinary. May we see the beauty of Jesus this season and be impacted in transformative ways.

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

...Friends, believe the Good News of the Gospel. In Jesus Christ we are forgiven! Thanks be to God!

*HYMN #207:	Good Christian Men, Rejoice	stanzas 1-3	
*OFFERTORY PRAYER: You may place your offering on the plates at the front of the sanctuary or in the box at the back of the sanctuary. You can also send God's tithes and your offerings to the Church office or give online through the Hendersonville Presbyterian Church webpage.			
CHOIR ANTHEM	Wonderful News	Barfoot & Peck arr. Williamson	
SCRIPTURE READINGS:		John 1: 1-5, 14-18	
MESSAGE:	"Advent Conspiracy – Spend Less"	Pastor Rob	
* HYMN #189:	Jesus Loves Me, This I Know	stanzas 1-3	
*BENEDICTION			
*POSTLUDE	Hark, the Herald Angels Sing	Traditional arr. Martha Mier	

Do you have a heavy heart today? Are you carrying a burden? A Stephen Minister is available today after the 11:00 service in the Parlor (behind the Sanctuary) for a confidential visit and prayer with you.

*Those who are able, please stand.

Sermon Notes:

"Advent Conspiracy - Spend Less"

Missionary Prayer

Leah Doty has been taking us step-by-step through the process of getting a new Bible printed in a newly translated language. She is thankful that the security situation has eased with a certain translator by making his task much less conspicuous. Leah created a visual chart that the committee needed to see their progress and they discovered that they have translated the first 117 verses of Mark with only one step to go before they start using it. Leah believes prayer has enabled the group to move forward so successfully. Please continue to support this work with prayer.

Hark! The Herald Angels Sing Women in Ministry Christmas Program

December 11, in the Fellowship Hall We will gather & fellowship for about 30 minutes looking at the Angel Gallery and voting for your favorites! Our Christmas Program will begin at 10:30!

Christmas Devotional: What's it all about? I. The Christmas Story, according to the Angels II. Angels of Christmas: Bible Stories and Carols Featuring guest pianist and vocalist: Marti Dushak and debuting the

WIM "actors".

Lunch will be served at 11:30 Chicken casserole, assorted salads, breads, desserts and Christmas punch. Please sign up on the bulletin board in the Fellowship Hall or RSVP to <u>Sherri.l.jones@nd.edu</u> All women of the church are welcome. Please join us and invite a friend.

Bluegrass Bash

The Bluegrass Bash will be held on Sunday, December 17 in the Fellowship Hall at 7 pm. This month The King James Boys will be featured. Please invite your family and friends to attend this Free community event with Free Ice Cream, Good Gospel Bluegrass music and Great Christian Fellowship!

Combined Service on Christmas Eve Morning

On Sunday, December 24, HPC will have a combined service in the Sanctuary starting at 10:00 am. Please come join us for this Worship Service.

Christmas Eve Candlelight Service

A Candlelight Service will be held on December 24th at 7 pm in the Sanctuary. Please make plans to attend.