

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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Office Hours: Monday – Wednesday 9 am – 4 pm Thursday 9 am – Noon Friday - Closed

Welcome to Hendersonville Presbyterian Church!

Where we Follow Jesus as we Reach, Teach, Pray, and Love!



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Hendersonville Presbyterian Church

THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY Traditional Service 10:00 am December 24, 2023

PRELUDE Mary, Did You Know?
Sherry Thomas - Soloist

Mark Lowery

WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS & 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

Morris Family

Liturgist: Robert Wallace

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. God of grace, ever faithful to your promises, the earth rejoices in hop of our Savior's coming and looks forward with longing to His return at the end of time. Prepare our hearts to receive him when he comes, for he is Lord forever and ever. Come Lord Jesus!

*OPENING HYMN #218: Angels from the Realms of Glory stanzas 1 - 5

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

On this fourth Sunday of Advent, and this Christmas Eve morning, we come before you confessing our shortcomings. We are captive and exiled, because we have, each in our own way, chosen our own path, away from You. We are hungry for wisdom and knowledge because we have, too often, substituted our judgment for yours. We are lost, in need of guidance. Forgive us, we ask, in the powerful name of Jesus...

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

...Friends, believe the Good News of the Gospel.

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven! Thanks be to God!

*HYMN #223: While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks stanzas 1, 2 & 6

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 Breath of Heaven Eaton & Grant/arr. Hart

SCRIPTURE READINGS: Mark 7:1-35

MESSAGE: "Advent Conspiracy – Love All" Pastor Charles

*HYMN #229: Gentle Mary Laid Her Child stanzas 1 - 3

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE Joy to the World arr. Jim Brickman

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 – Love All"

Missionary Prayer

Mindy Henson has written in earlier updates about her life since the war began until she was given a sabbatical leave in England. She had time to read, to work on the book she is writing, to polish the music that she had started, and to enjoy the Yorkshire Dales. She told about a project that a woman from Missouri created to fund a playground dedicated to David in a small Ukrainian village, and a second project of funding sports equipment for New Generation School. She will also continue with the Ukraine Relief Fund and seeks your continued prayer.

Christmas Eve Candlelight Service

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

2024 Flower Dedication Calendar

The 2024 Flower Dedication Calendar has been posted across from the office mailboxes. If you would like to reserve a Sunday for a special flower dedication, please stop by and sign-up, or email the office at office@hendersonvillepc.org or call the office at 692-3211.

Combined Worship Service Next Week!

Next Sunday, December 31, we will meet together at 10:00am in the Fellowship Hall for a combined worship service. Come join us for a wonderful worship opportunity!