ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Happy Birthday this week to: (12/3) Laura Lamb, Jolene Davis; (12/4) Beth Burgess; (12/7) Jameel Dixon

The Fletcher Bible Study meets Wednesdays at 6:15 in Darden Hall.

The Youth meet for Chickens & Biscuits on Tuesdays at 6:45am at Chick-fil-A.

Nurture & Outreach would like to thank everyone who is participating in our Angel Tree Project this year. All of the ornaments have been taken! Please remember to bring the gift(s), wrapped (with the star or angel attached to the outside) to the church by Sunday morning, December 10. If you can not wrap the gift, attach the angel or star to the outside of the gift with a bow. If you have any questions, please contact Arrie Turner or Amy Starling. We will be happy to help!

If you would like to contribute to the **Chancel Fund** for the Christmas Decorations in the sanctuary in honor or in memory of someone, please fill out the form in your bulletin and place it in the offering plate. The deadline for all Christmas Decoration contributions is Sunday, December 10.

TODAY'S WORSHIP LEADERS:

Liturgist: Karen McBride

Greeters: Wade Hall, Trudy Calhoun

Elders on Duty: Eugene Turner, Gary Knox

Children's Church: Jayne Pauley

WORSHIP LEADERS FOR DECEMBER:

	Liturgist:	Elders on Duty:
Dec. 10	Jayne Pauley	Cy Wood, Sally Burek
Dec. 17	Elaine Partin	Madison Shelton, Doug Pauley
Dec. 24	Madison Shelton	John Darden, Mike Pauley
Dec. 31	Youth	Madison Shelton, Cy Wood

CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

Today	9:45 AM 11:00 AM 12:00 PM	Sunday School Worship Congregational Meeting
Sun. Dec. 10		2nd Sunday of Advent
Sat. Dec. 16		Darden Hall, CB & Baker Pavilion Rented
Sun. Dec. 17	12:00 PM	Christmas Dinner in DH
Sat. Dec. 24	9:00 AM 10: 00 AM 6:00 PM	Breakfast in Darden Hall Worship Christmas Eve Service

LOYD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH PROGRAM TEAM:

Reverend Tyler Brock, Pastor
Adrienne Hardie, Church Secretary
Rick Robertson, Pianist
Su Lee, organist
Melissa Robertson, Nursery Worker
Koren Stapp, Nursery Coordinator
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LOYDPRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

December 3, 2023

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

PRELUDE "Ave Maria"

(Johann S. Bach) Su Lee, organ

GREETING, WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

May the peace of Christ be with you. And also with you.

*Congregational Introit

#22 (TPH)

"Angels, from the Realms of Glory"

All creation, join in praising
God the Father, Spirit, Son,
Evermore your voices raising
To the eternal Three in One:
Come and worship, come and worship,
Worship Christ, the newborn King!

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: O that God would tear open the heavens and come down!

All: Of that day or hour, no one knows, only God.

Leader: Be alert! Keep awake!

All: The time is drawing near:

Leader: The beginning of the good news of Jesus Christ, the Son

of God.

Please be seated following hymn

CALL TO CONFESSION

Karen McBride

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

God-with-us, even in Advent, we confess that you can seem far away. You are hidden when we need you near. In our hurt, doubt, and fear, we do not try to draw closer to you; instead, we lash outagainst you, our neighbor, even those we love. Forgive us, we pray, and come to save us! Let your face shine until our tears are dried, our sins are faded, and our hope is restored. After all, we belong to you, and in your hands, we can be made new. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

(Silent prayers of confession)

Assurance of Pardon

Leader: The grace of God, given to us in Christ Jesus, strengthens us to the end so that we may be blameless when Christ comes again.

All: Thanks be to God, who is faithful and has called us into the fellowship of the Son, Jesus Christ our Lord!

Apostle's Creed (in unison)

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth. and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

RECEIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY "I Wonder As I Wander" (arr. Mark Hayes) Rick Robertson, piano

*Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow, Praise him all creatures here below. Alleluia, Alleluia! Praise Him above, ye heavenly host. Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. O praise Him, O praise Him, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

*Prayer of Dedication

Please be seated following prayer

"We Wait for Thee"

SCRIPTURE READING

ANTHEM

Isaiah 64:1-9

Victor C. Johnson

Mark 13:24-37

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH: HOPE

Congregational Response

"O Come, O Come, Emmanuel"

O come, O come, Emmanuel, And ransom captive Israel, That mourns in lonely exile here Until the Son of God appear. Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel Shall come to thee, O Israel!

SCRIPTURE READING

"The Sky Is Falling"

MUSICAL MEDITATION

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER (IN UNISON)

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.

*Hymn #8

"Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates"

*Charge and Benediction

*Congregational Response

"O Little Town of Bethlehem"

O holy Child of Bethlehem, Descend to us, we pray; Cast out our sin and enter in, Be born in us today. We hear the Christmas angels The great glad tidings tell; O come to us, abide with us, Our Lord Emmanuel!

*Postlude

"O Come, O Come, Emmanuel"

(Latin Hymn) Su Lee, organ

*Please stand if you are able