

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Happy Birthday this week to: (12/17) Amy Crites; (12/18) Nita Burgess; (12/22) Kathey Sandiford.

The Fletcher Bible Study will meet Wednesdays, December 20 at 6:00 in Darden Hall.

The Youth will not meet for Chickens & Biscuits this week.

Please plan to join us for a **covered-dish Christmas Luncheon following worship today.**

The Jo Loyd Noon Circle will meet Wednesday, December 20 at Peggy Darden's home.

The Mollie Darden Circle will meet Thursday, December 21 from 5-7pm at The Villa.

Next Sunday is Christmas Eve! We will have breakfast at 9:00am followed by an informal time of worship at 10. That evening at 6:00 we will have our Lessons and Carols Christmas Eve Service.

TODAY'S WORSHIP LEADERS:

Liturgist: Elaine Partin

Greeters: Patti Knox, Trent Mann

Elders on Duty: Sally Burek, Doug Pauley

Children's Church: Arrie Turner & Amy Starling

WORSHIP LEADERS FOR DECEMBER:

	Liturgist:	Elders on Duty:
Dec. 24	Madison Shelton	John Darden, Mike Pauley
Dec. 31	Youth	Madison Shelton, Cy Wood

CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

Today	9:45 AM	Sunday School
	11:00 AM	Worship
	12:00 PM	Christmas Dinner in DH
Wed. Dec. 20	12:00 PM	Jo Loyd Noon Circle Meeting at Peggy Darden's home
Thurs. Dec. 21	5-7:00 PM	Mollie Darden Circle at The Villa
Sun. Dec. 24	9:00 AM	Breakfast in Darden Hall
	10: 00 AM	Worship
	6:00 PM	Christmas Eve Service
Sat. Dec. 30		CB & Pavilion Rented

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
Pam Darden, God's Promised Land Coordinator
Madison Shelton, Youth Director

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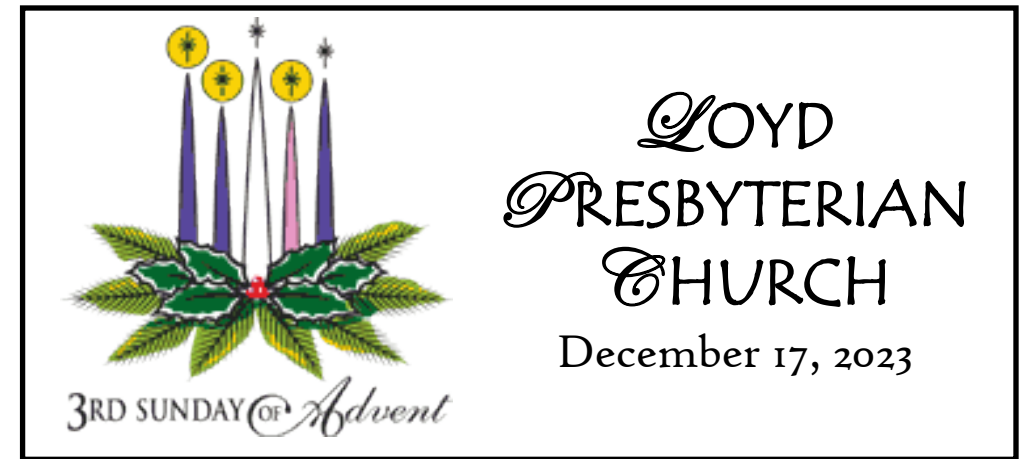
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or have a question about the life and ministry of this congregation,
please speak with our pastor or one of our elders.*



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CHIMING OF THE HOUR

PRELUDE "He Is Born" (arr. Albin C. Whitworth)
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.

HYMN #49		“Once in Royal David’s City”		RECEIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS		SCRIPTURE READING		John 1:6-8, 19-28	
Please be seated following hymn									
CALL TO CONFESSION		Elaine Partin		OFFERTORY “Lo! How a Rose E’er Blooming” (arr. Lloyd Larson) Rick Robertson, piano		MESSAGE		Reverend Tyler Brock	
PRAYER OF CONFESSION (IN UNISON)				*DOXOLOGY		“Magnify the Lord”			
Merciful God, you love justice; why, then, do we persist in wrongdoing and every form of evil? You have given us the gift of your Spirit; why, then do we quench the Spirit among us? You have given us the words of the prophets and the Word himself; why, then do we despise and ignore what we have heard from you? You have sent the light into the world; why, then, have we loved darkness rather than light? Forgive us. Restore us. Till and tend us as your garden until righteousness and praise spring up, for the sake of Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.				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!		MUSICAL MEDITATION			
(Silent prayers of confession)				*PRAYER OF DEDICATION		PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE			
ASSURANCE OF PARDON				**Please be seated following prayer**		THE LORD’S PRAYER (IN UNISON)			
Leader: In Jesus Christ, the Lord has done great things for us! Even if we have gone out in tears, God brings us home shouting for joy.				SCRIPTURE READING		Isaiah 61:1-4, 8-11		*HYMN #43 (VERSES 1–3) “O Little Town of Bethlehem”	
All: Thanks be to God: We are forgiven!				ANTHEM “Creation Will Be at Peace” Anna Laura Page		*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION			
APOSTLE’S CREED (IN UNISON)				SCRIPTURE READING		Luke 1:46-55		*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE (VERSE 4)	
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.				CHILDREN’S MOMENT		“O Little Town of Bethlehem”			
				LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH: JOY		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!			
				CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE		*POSTLUDE “Angels We Have Heard on High” (Robert J. Hughes) Su Lee, organ			
				“O Come, O Come, Emmanuel”		*Please stand if you are able			
				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!					