

TODAY'S WORSHIP LEADERS:

Liturgist: Karen McBride
Greeters: Wade Hall, Trudy Calhoun
Elders on Duty: Eugene Turner, Stacy Cline
Children's Church: Jayne Pauley

WORSHIP LEADERS FOR DECEMBER:

	Liturgist:	Elders on Duty:
Dec. 8	Jayne Pauley	Cy Wood, Lois Vincent
Dec. 15	Elaine Partin	Sally Burek, Mickey Norris
Dec. 22	Madison Shelton	Karen McBride, Mike Pauley
Dec. 29	Youth	Koren Stapp, Cy Wood

USHER/GREETER ROTATION:

1st Sunday: Wade Hall, Trudy Calhoun
2nd Sunday: Veronica & Brock Sirmons
3rd Sunday: Patti Knox, Trent Mann
4th Sunday: Chase Darden, Jeff Darden
5th Sunday: Youth

CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

Today	9:45 AM 11:00 AM	Sunday School Worship CB/Pavilion Rented
Wed. Dec. 11		Deadline for Angel Tree
Sat. Dec. 14		Darden Hall Rented CB/Pavilion Rented
Sun. Dec. 15	12:00 PM 3:00-8:00 PM	Congregational Meeting Covered-Dish Christmas Lunch Darden Hall Rented
Sat. Dec. 21		CB/Pavilion Rented
Tues. Dec. 24	6:00 PM	Christmas Eve Service
Sat. Dec. 28		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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or have a question about the life and ministry of this congregation,
please speak with Tyler.*



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LOYD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

December 1, 2024
11:00 a.m. Worship
1st Sunday of Advent

CHIMING OF THE HOUR AND PRELUDE

Su Lee, organ

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING PRAYER

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

*PASSING THE PEACE

*CONGREGATIONAL INTROIT

“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

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

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

One: Be alert! Keep awake!

All: The time is drawing near: The beginning of the good news of Jesus Christ, the Son of God.

*HYMN

“Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus”

PH #2

Please be seated following hymn

CALL TO CONFESSION

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 out—against 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.

(A time for silent prayer)

WORDS OF FORGIVENESS

One: 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!

RESPONSE OF PRAISE

PH #38

“It Came Upon a Midnight Clear”

And ye, beneath life’s crushing load, Whose forms are bending low,
Who toil along the climbing way with painful steps and slow,
Look now! For glad and golden hours come swiftly on the wing:
O rest beside the weary road, And hear the angels sing.

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

SCRIPTURE READING Jeremiah 33:14-16; Psalm 25:1-10

ANTHEM “We Will Know Him”
Choir

CHILDREN’S MOMENT

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH: HOPE

SCRIPTURE READING Luke 21:25-36

MESSAGE “The Hope of God Among Us”
Reverend Tyler Brock

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 “Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates” PH# 8

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE PH# 44

“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

Su Lee, organ

*Please rise in body or spirit as you are able

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

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

If you would like to make a pledge for 2025 and have not received a pledge letter and card in the mail, additional copies can be found in the Narthex. Or check out our newsletter for a link to make an online pledge. If you do not receive our weekly newsletter and would like to, please email Adrienne at loyd@loydpres.org.

Our Angel Tree Project has begun. Please take one of the ornaments, sign the spreadsheet, and return your wrapped gift (with the ornament attached) by Wed. Dec. 11. If the gift can’t be wrapped, please remember to attach the ornament to the gift so we know who it is for. Please contact Amy Starling or Arrie Turner with any questions.

Mark your calendars for Sunday, December 15. We will have a covered-dish Christmas lunch, following worship and the congregational meeting. Hope to see you all there!

We will have a Christmas Eve Service Tuesday, December 24 at 6:00pm.

There will be a brief congregational meeting following worship on December 15 for the purpose of approving the 2027 class of Elders. The nominees are Jameel Dixon (Communications), Sherry Rayfield (Finance), and Veronica Sirmons (Clerk).