



## **CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP**

2nd Sunday of Advent December 8, 2024 at 11:00 am

450 Randolph Avenue, Elkins WV 26241 304.636.2788

Worship each Sunday is broadcast live over WDNE 1240 AM and live-streamed on our Facebook Page www.dmpc.org

### WELCOME AS WE ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

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#### WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome to DMPC for worship this morning. If you are visiting with us we ask you to complete a Visitor Card, found in the pew rack, and place it in the collection plate during the Presentation of Offerings. Our church is accessible to wheelchairs with a designated area to the left of the chancel in the "Amen Section".

We thank Phil and Marlene Kyle for being greeters this morning. We thank David Hyer for being our liturgist this morning.

**INTROIT:** O Radiant Dawn

arr. by J. MacMillan, 2008

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O Radiant Dawn, Splendour of Eternal Light, Sun of Justice, come. Shine on those who dwell in darkness and the shadow of death.

Isaiah had prophesied,

"The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; upon those who dwelt in the land of gloom a light has shone."

#### LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLES

HYMN #85 Light One Candle to Watch for Messiah (second verse only)

#### **CALL TO WORSHIP**

L: John came out of the wilderness to preach repentance; he preaches to us still.

P: Make straight the paths we now walk and prepare the way for God's reign of justice and love.

#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

\*HYMN #106 Prepare the Way, O Zion

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<sup>\*</sup>indicates an invitation to stand, if you are able.

#### \*CALL TO CONFESSION

Saints, let us trust in God's love for us and confess our sin, confident in God's mercy.

## \*PRAYER OF CONFESSION (IN UNISON)

Refining God, you have sent us prophets and we have not listened. We have not always determined what is best or made way for your reign in our lives, our church and our society. Forgive us, we pray, and renew your covenant within us, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

### \*KYRIE ELEISON (Lord, Have Mercy)

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

#### \*ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Friends, I am confident of this: if we repent, God is sure to forgive us. The One who began a good work in us will bring it to completion.

#### \*CHORAL RESPONSE

Lamb of God

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

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PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

#### **SCRIPTURE READING**

The Hebrew Bible Malachi 3:1-4
New Testament Luke 1:68-79

pew Bible page 54

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

#### CHILDREN'S TIME

#### **GOD'S WORD FOR OUR LIVES**

"The Way of Peace"

Dr. Tanner Capps

RESPONDING TO THE GOOD NEWS

\*HYMN #108

Of the Father's Love Begotten (verses 1-3) Glory to God hymnal, used with permission CCLI #11624388

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

**APOSTLES' CREED** 

Glory to God hymnal page 35

#### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

#### THE LORD'S 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

#### PRESENTATION OF OFFFRINGS

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Sweet was the Song

by Grayston Ives, 2000

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soprano solo: Thomas Loudin

Sweet was the song the Virgin sang, when she to Bethlem Juda came, and was delivered of a son, that blessed Jesus hath to name.

'Lulla, lullaby, sweet babe' sang she, and rocked him sweetly on her knee.

'Lulla lullaby, my son and eke a Saviour born, who hast vouchsafed from on high to visit us, that were forlorn. 'Lulla lullaby, sweet babe' sang she, and rocked him sweetly on her knee.

Olivia Perske, Estrid Garver-Daniels, Thomas Loudin, Katie Loudin, Julianna Stark: soprano
Tyler Perske, Adam Loudin: bass
Gloria Mullennex, Cassie Norwood, alto
Ben Long, Logan Mullennex, tenor

## \*DOXOLOGY #606 Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below; Praise God above, ye heav'nly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

#### \*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

\*HYMN #102 Savior of the Nations, Come

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FOLLOWING GOD INTO THE WORLD

#### \*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

\*RESPONSE HYMN #88 O Come, O Come, Emmanuel (Verses 1-3 only)

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\*SHARING GOD'S PEACE

Christmas Eve
The Christmas Eve Service at Davis Memorial Presbyterian Church
begins at 5:00 p.m.

## **FAITH COMMUNITY NOTES**

#### **CHILDREN'S CHOIR**

"ALL GOD'S CHILDREN HAVE A PLACE IN THE CHOIR"! Inviting all children and youth to join Olivia Perske as she leads our children's choir. Rehearsal will be in the upstairs Sunday School room at 9:45am on December 1st, 8th, and 15th.

The Children's Choir will perform during our morning service on December 22nd.

#### **CHRISTMAS BASKETS**

There are Christmas boxes in the White Chapel and the back of the sanctuary in which to place your food donations. Monetary donations may be placed in the offering plates, mailed or dropped off to the church office.

#### MITTEN TREE

The tree is waiting in the White Chapel for your donations of gloves, hats, scarves, and socks. Monetary contributions will also be accepted.

"I was shivering and you gave me clothes." Matt. 25:34-36 MSG

#### **POINSETTIAS**

The PWs will decorate the sanctuary with red poinsettias for Christmas. You will find a form on the table in the White Chapel. Please return the form and payment to the Church Office by December 15th.

#### HOLY TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH FUND RAISER

December 14, 2024 9am-1pm

All proceeds go to Lutheran Disaster Relief

\*HOT DOGS (homemade chili).

SOUPS (all homemade) Chili, Vegetable and Potato

Eat in or carry out.

\*Fantastic Cookie Plates, always a dozen or more on each plate.

Candy and Candy Bouquets.

- \*Crafts: WV Ornaments, door decorations and more.
- \*Country store
- \*Christmas basket: \$1.00 a ticket or 6 for \$5.00

Come see us, enjoy great food, help people in need and find the perfect gift for that someone special!

Our live stream for Sunday Morning Worship is on our Facebook page: https://www.facebook.com/dmpcElkins.

The weekly bulletin and the monthly newsletter are also available on our website: <a href="https://www.dmpc.org">www.dmpc.org</a>

**OFFERINGS**: You are invited to place your offering in the collection plate during the Presentation of Offerings, donate through the website by activating the "Online Giving" box, or by mailing it to the church office.

## **DAVIS MEMORIAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

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## THE SESSION

Class of 2024
Tessa Garver-Daniels

David Hyer Linda Rudy Class of 2025

Phil Becker Brenda Kirkpatrick Monica Varchetto Class of 2026

Mina Cupp Debra Everhart David Messinger

## WEEKLY CALENDAR December 8, 2024

SUNDAY

9:45am Dr. Lacy Class

9:45am Sunday School for Elementary Children

11:00am Worship Service

**MONDAY** 

6:30pm Session

**TUESDAY** 

**WEDNESDAY** 

**THURSDAY** 

10:00am Circle 2/Fellowship Hall 1:30pm Circle 1/Fellowship Hall

**FRIDAY** 

**SATURDAY** 

9am-1pm HTLC Christmas Bazaar

**SUNDAY** 

9:45am Dr. Lacy Class in Dunham Room

9:45am Sunday School for Elementary children

11:00am Worship Service

# PRAYERS FOR OUR PARTNERS AND THE WORLD

† Health care workers and first responders

† 226th General Assembly co-moderators, Rev. Cecelia Armstrong and Rev. Anthony Larson

† D&E College students, faculty and staff

† Our sister church in Kenya, Kangaita

† Our nation's leaders

† Mission Co-Workers around the world

† Presbyterian University of East Africa as they seek financial stability

† Muthuaini, Wandumbi Parish, Kenya

#### **BREAKFAST AND BIBLES**

Dec. 08 Acts 12

Peter's miraculous escape from prison

9:30am-10:45am

Common Door space in Tip Top Coffee Shop

breakfastandbibles.weebly.com

## **PRAYER LIST**

ERCC 1175 Beverly Pike, Elkins

Chuck Leary, Jessie Somers

Mountain Memories 301 Wilson Ln, Elkins

Adrienne Vance, Julia Varner

Valentine Personal Care 521 Davis Ave, Elkins

Anna Harper

#### PRAYER FOR FAMILY AND FRIENDS

† Joyce Allen

† Howard Bell

† Donnie Corbin

† Lizzy, Brian & Molly McCrae.....

Members of Debra Everhart's family

† Nancy Forinash

† Nicholas Hartley

† Bob Hermanson

† Vickie Hinzman

† Dick & Gayle Moore

† Chuck Leary and Debora Springer

† Chrissy Starcher & her family

† Ruth Whitesel

† Keitha Wing

† Family of Eugene Foster

† Family of Dana Marzolf

† Family of Hollis Vance

## PRAYERS FOR CHURCHES IN THE PRESBYTERY OF WEST VIRGINIA

First Presbyterian Church, Nitro First Presbyterian Church, Williamstown Summersville Presbyterian Church