



DAVIS MEMORIAL

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

4th Sunday of Advent

December 22, 2024 at 11:00 am

450 Randolph Avenue, Elkins WV 26241

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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

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 Holt and Sue Chenoweth for being greeters this morning.
We thank Diana Kerr for being our liturgist this morning.

**indicates an invitation to stand, as you are able.*

INTROIT: *An Advent Prayer* by A. Pote, 1984
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LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLES

HYMN #85 *Light One Candle to Watch for Messiah* (all verses)

CALL TO WORSHIP

L: Out of little Bethlehem comes one who is to rule in Israel.

P: He shall be great to the ends of the earth.

L: Our spirits rejoice in God our Savior.

P: God's mercy extends from generation to generation. Holy is God's name!

PRAYER OF THE DAY

***HYMN #104** *O Lord, How Shall I Meet You*
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*CALL TO CONFESSION

In the world, and in this season, there are many claims on our lives. We take this time to remember that in our baptism, Christ claimed us as his own. We acknowledge before God and one another that we have not followed Jesus Christ with all our heart and mind and strength. Trusting in God's grace, let us pray.

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION (IN UNISON)**

God our Savior, we ask for your mercy.

Though we have heard Mary's song,

we still seek security in pride and power and possessions.

Though we know your story,

we resist the costs of following you.

We pass by those considered lowly in this world.

We turn away from hungry people who still wait to be filled.

Forgive us, we pray.

Help us to work for the justice you intend.

Make us messengers of the peace you bring.

As we wait for you, turn our apathy into acts of love and service.

We pray in the name of Jesus Christ, Emmanuel. 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, God is for us and not against us.

For that very reason, God sent the Son into the world –

not to condemn the world,

but that the world be saved through him.

Believe the good news:

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

***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 Micah 5:2-5a

New Testament Luke 1:39-55

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This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

CHILDREN'S CHOIR

Light the Advent Candle

by M. Lu Walker, 1975

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GOD'S WORD FOR OUR LIVES

"World Upside Down"

Dr. Tanner Capps

RESPONDING TO THE GOOD NEWS

*HYMN #92

While We Are Waiting, Come

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*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

APOSTLES' CREED

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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 OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY ANTHEM *While Shepherds Watched* by D. Nolan and M. Shipp, 2024
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While shepherds watched their flocks by night all seated on the ground,
the angel of the Lord came down, and glory shone around.
“Fear not” said he, for mighty dread had seized their troubled mind.
“Glad tidings of great joy I bring to you and humankind.”
Gloria in excelsis deo. Glory be to God on high.

Estrid Garver-Daniels, Olivia Perske: soprano; Logan Mullennex: tenor
Cassie Cassie Norwood, Gloria Mullennex: alto; Tyler Perske, bass

***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 #110** *Love Has Come*

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FOLLOWING GOD INTO THE WORLD

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

***RESPONSE HYMN #88** *O Come, O Come, Emmanuel* (Verses 1-5 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. and will not be broadcast.

FAITH COMMUNITY NOTES

GIFTS

Gifts have been made to the church by:

Joyce Allen in Memory of Holly Reilly to Presbyterian Relief

Joyce Allen in Memory of Hayes Shelton to the PW Scholarship Program

Joyce Allen in Memory of Hollis Vance

Joyce Allen to the Music Program

D&E Festival of Carols to the Food Pantry

Diana Kerr to the Food Pantry and the Music Program

Charles & Susan Reynolds in Memory of Lena Mealey

Margaret Stalnaker to the After School Program In Honor of Grace Sundelin and
In Memory of Roy Stalnaker and Caroline Brady Wilson

Judy Guye Swanson in Memory of Holly Reilly to the Property Fund (Fellowship Hall)

Cornelia & Tim Tolley in Memory of Joe Carlson and Holly Reilly

A gift has been made in Memory of Richard Earle and Ronald & Kathryn Earle
to the Property Fund

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 will also be accepted.

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

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:

www.dmpc.org

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.

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THE SESSION

Class of 2024

Tessa Garver-Daniels

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Monica Varchetto

Class of 2026

Mina Cupp

Debra Everhart

David Messinger

WEEKLY CALENDAR
December 22, 2024

SUNDAY CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PROGRAM
 9:45am Dr. Lacy Class
 9:45am Sunday School for Elementary Children
 11:00am Worship Service

MONDAY

TUESDAY CHRISTMAS EVE CHURCH CLOSED
 5:00pm Christmas Eve Worship Service

WEDNESDAY CHRISTMAS DAY CHURCH CLOSED

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

SUNDAY
 9:45am Dr. Lacy Class in Dunham Room
 9:45am Sunday School for Elementary children
 11:00am Worship Service

TUES. DEC. 31 NEW YEAR'S EVE CHURCH CLOSED
WED. JAN. 01 NEW YEAR'S DAY CHURCH CLOSED

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
- † Wandumbi Special School, Wandumbi Parish, Kenya

BREAKFAST AND BIBLES
 Dec. 22 *Christmas Special*

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 Dana Marzolf

PRAYERS FOR CHURCHES IN THE
PRESBYTERY OF WEST VIRGINIA

- † First Presbyterian Church, Bluefield
- † Mingo Presbyterian Church