



Seminary
Church

November 28, 2021 – First Sunday of Advent

Prelude

Welcome & Greeting

Polly Carroll

Welcome and Announcements

Brooke Branyan

Birthdays: 11/29 Kay Schreffler

Crafty Corner Nov 30th Christmas in the Village Dec 3 with Parade/Float

Bringing in the Light of Christ

AColytes

Call to Worship

Brooke Branyan

Call to Worship (Luke 1, 3)

L: A voice cries out in the wilderness:

“Prepare the way of the Lord!”

R: Make God’s paths straight.

L: Every valley will be filled,

and every mountain will be leveled.

R: The crooked will be made straight.

L: The rough and rocky ways will be smoothed.

R: All will see the salvation of God.

L: See the light from on high.

The dawn is breaking.

R: The Lord is coming! The Lord is coming

Songs of Praise

* “Hark the herald Angels Sing” verses 1,2 and 3

“ What Child is This” verses 1,2,and 3

“ Soon and Very Soon” All verses

-Children Dismissed to Children’s Church-

Passing of Peace Pastoral Welcome

Giving God Our Gifts - Worship through Giving

Epistle Reading Psalm 25:1-10 NIV

Michael Vctor

Hearing God’s Word

Scripture Reading within Sermon

Luke 3:1-6

(NIV)

Today’s Message

“The Christmas Time Zone”

Pastor Chris

Children return from Children’s Church

Thanksgiving with Jesus Video and Prayer

Closing Hymn

“ Spirit of the Living God ” All verses

Taking the Light of Christ into the World

Benediction

*Stand if able

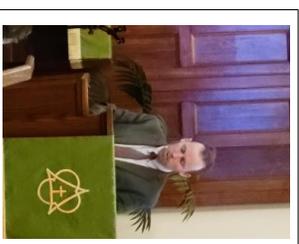
We are honored that you have chosen to worship with us today. We hope this time of worship draws you closer to God. Join in the meet and greet so we can get acquainted with you. Please join us after service in the Café.

Thank you to all who serve today!

Lay Leader: Brooke Branyan
Epistle Reader: Michael Vektor
Acolytes Leader: Max Colclesser
Children's Church Today: Polly Carroll
Greeter: Doug Tellas
Praise Team: Chris & Chelsea Dourson, Jenny Gross, Sara Perkins
Café Hostess: Janet Tellas
Sound & Video: Steve Eisenhut, Ann O'Briant and Jeff Gross

Reminders for Next Week (December 4)

Lay Leader: Brooke Branyan
Pianist: Polly Carroll
Acolytes Leader: Max Colclesser
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Sound & Video: Steve Eisenhut, Ann O'Briant and Jeff Gross
Education Team Adult Bible Study: Michael Vektor
Children's Church : Polly Carroll
Hospitality Team Greeter: Doug Tellas
First Time Guest Follow-Up: Brooke Branyan
Sunday Production Director: Teresa Bartram Brumbaugh
Praise & Worship Team Piano: Polly Carroll
Worship Leader : Chris Dourson
Vocalist / Worship Leader : Jenny Gross
Pulpit Team Pastor: Christopher Dourson
Announcements: Brooke Branyan
Acolytes Leader: Max Colclesser
Tech Team Media / Sound : Ann O'Briant
Steve Eisenhut, Ken Tellas, Jeff Gross



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The Christmas Time Zone

A Sermon By Pastor Chris



Please pray for our World, our Nation, our Church and Pastor. Continued prayers for Jerry and Terri Bartram Brumbaugh's family with the loss of Jerry's Mother Doris, all the friends and family of our recently departed, and for improving health of Peggy Keller, Cindy Burrs, Brenda Conn, Marilyn Fleishman, Sarah Harvey, and any others recovering from surgery or health complications, and our shut-ins and those homebound.

Nickels and Noses

November 21, 2021 Attending: 49

Offering: \$6,901.30

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Poinsettias

For the Sanctuary will arrive for services starting Dec 4

From In Memory of

From

Our Families

Fred & Carolyn Hartley-Johns

Our Families

Fred & Carolyn Hartley- Johns

Margorie Warner

Brooke Branyan

Pete Warner

Brooke Branyan

Rev Albert Hamstra

Brooke Branyan

Michelle Hathaway

Diana Hathaway

Our Families

Mark Neary

Our Families

Phia Shanelec

Paul Swain

Vickie Swain

Donald Wenger

Ann Wenger

Dennis P Bartrom

Jerry & Terri Bartrom Brumbaugh

Robert & Carole Lee

Jerry & Terri Bartrom Brumbaugh

Mary Colclesser

Max Colclesser

Mona Colclesser

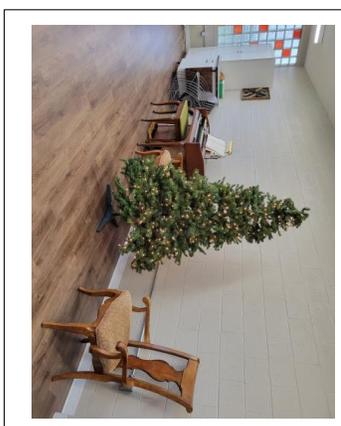
Max Colclesser

Our Family

Jay & Pam Sagers



As always, Kudos to Jenny Gross and Claudia Houck and their team of workers in preparation and cleanup of the Thanksgiving Dinner last Sunday. Many thanks. Hanging of the Greens has begun: the Tree is up in the Cafe' and as well as Pastor Keith's Spinnet Organ recently purchased by Terri B. Both are on loan for the holiday season.



F E L L O W S I P

You may be used to having a Christmas Cactus in your home as a festive green and red, low-maintenance house plant, but did you know that there's also Thanksgiving Cactus and Easter Cactus varieties

The difference between these festive cacti is so subtle that they are often sold as each other on accident. Luckily the care for each species is the same: moderate light and watering about once a week

All three variations are part of the Schlumbergera genus, Erin Marino, editorial lead at The Sill, says. Known for their leaf-like pads, or stem segments, the real trick to telling the difference between each species is to look at the shape of the stem segments and take note of what season they're blooming in, she says.

Each of their common names refers to their flowering season. Thanksgiving Cactus (Schlumbergera truncata) and Christmas Cactus (Schlumbergera bridgesii) varieties are the two most confused for each other because their blooming periods are back-to-back.

Thanksgiving Cacti typically bloom between November and December, while Christmas Cacti bloom from January to February. However, houseplants can be forced to bloom at any time, and some Thanksgiving Cacti will bloom closer to Christmas. The Easter Cactus (Schlumbergera gaertneri) blooms in early spring, and it has the most noticeable difference in stem segment shape of the three.

Marino says that the common confusion between the Thanksgiving and Christmas Cacti make blooming season a less helpful way of identifying each variation, so it's best to look at the shape of the stem segments instead.

The Thanksgiving Cactus has the spikiest stem segments of the three varieties. The Christmas Cactus has less spiky pads with rounder edges, and the Easter Cactus has subtle rounded edges on its stem segments. Easter Cacti can also sometimes have small hairs on their leaves, Marino says.

You may find that some stores label a cactus from the Schlumbergera genus as a "Holiday Cactus," to prevent consumers from confusing the blooming periods of the plants.

Terris's Cactus
2021



When is the first Sunday of Advent this year?

Advent begins this year today, November 28.

The season lasts for four Sundays and the following weeks. This takes us through the remainder of November and every day in December, until Christmas Eve.

In 2021, Christmas Eve (December 24) takes place on a Friday, meaning Christmas Day (December 25) is on Saturday.

Of course, this differs from many advent calendars we see in shops, which typically start on December 1.

What does the first Sunday of Advent represent?

In the West, Advent is a time to prepare for the upcoming celebrations of the Nativity (birth) of Jesus Christ.

The Church also takes this time to remember the anticipation felt by the Jews (or Israelites, as they were called then), as they awaited the prophesied coming of the Messiah.

On each Sunday of Advent, Christian churches may focus on a different aspect of this story, such as:

Week 1: God's people, looking to the future with hope.

Week 2: The prophets, who foretold the coming of the Messiah.

Week 3: John the Baptist, who preached in the desert, as well as baptizing Jesus.

Week 4: The Virgin Mary, the mother of Jesus.

Orange Christingle is a symbolic object used in the Advent, Christmas and Epiphany services of many Christian denominations

An orange, wrapped in a red ribbon with a candle and sweets attached is called a Christingle, which is part of the Advent

Of course, which topics are covered in services will vary a lot depending on the church or denomination of Christianity.

Commonly, churches build wreaths of four purple candles, lighting a new one as each of the four Sundays/weeks pass – starting with the first Sunday of Advent.

On Christmas Day, a fifth candle is lit to represent Jesus Christ. Usually, it'll be white or gold. You may hear this type of wreath referred to as an 'Advent crown'.