

First Presbyterian Church

209 W. Hickory Street

Arcadia FL

November 28, 2021



The mission of First Presbyterian Church of Arcadia is to
answer God's Call by offering:
inspired worship; creating great relationships with members
and community; educating and serving both members and
the community God has entrusted to us

*Please stand if able

bold = unison

Prelude: *Selected*

Lew Cassels

Chimes

Welcome

Dr. Will Browne

Wait for the Lord (lined)

Wait for the Lord, whose day is near.

Wait for the Lord, be strong, take heart!

Wait for the Lord (sing through three times)

#166

Lighting of the Candle of HOPE *Isaiah 40:31*

Nancy Adams

Call to Worship

Salvation is closer now, the night is far gone, the day is near.

God's promises stand unshaken through all generations.

God renews us in hope that we might welcome Christ.

He comes to rule our thoughts and claim our lives.

So, let us praise him Lord of lords and King of kings

to whom be the glory forever and ever.

*Hymn: *Prepare the Way O Zion*

#152

Prayer of Confession (Unison)

Dr. Will Browne

O Lord, we lift up our souls to you for you are the God of our salvation.

We pray you would not remember the sins of our youth or the wrong

doings of our adult years. Instead, remember us according to your

steadfast love. Pardon our guilt. Turn to us and be gracious to us.

Relieve the troubles of our hearts and bring us out of our distress. We

ask this in Jesus' name. Amen

Assurance of Pardon

.... Friends, hear and believe the good news of the gospel,

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!

*Gloria Patri: *Glory be to the Father*

#734

Anthem: *Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus*

Jay Althouse

Scripture *Isaiah 42:1-7*

Nancy Adams

Scripture: *Luke 1:5-20* Dr. Will Browne
Sermon: *Wait for the Lord* Dr. Will Browne
***Hymn:** *Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus* #153

***Apostle's Creed** (unison) Nancy Adams

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.

Prayer of Thanksgiving & Lord's Prayer Dr. Will Browne

... "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."

Time for Generosity

Moment of Gratitude

***Doxology:** *We Praise You, O God* v. 1 only #726

***Prayer of Dedication**

***Hymn:** *O Come, O Come, Emmanuel* #154

***Charge** (unison)

Eternal God, through long generations you prepared a way for the coming of your Son. By your Spirit you still bring light to darkened lives. We have been renewed in hope. We yearn to welcome Christ into our lives.

***Benediction**

Choral Benediction

Postlude: *Selected* Lew Cassels

Church Calendar November = December

- Sunday Nov. 28 First Sunday of Advent**
9:45 am Sunday school
10:30 am Chancel Choir practice
11:00 am Worship Service
- Wednesday Dec. 1**
12:00 noon pre-study sandwich lunch
12:30 pm in person Bible Study of Luke
6:30 Handbell Practice, 7:15 Chancel Choir
- Sunday Dec. 5 Second Sunday of Advent**
9:45 am Sunday school
10:30 am Chancel Choir practice
11:00 am Worship Service - **Communion**
- Monday Dec. 6**
Ladies Bible Luncheon Mark your calendar
- Wednesday Dec. 8**
12:00 noon pre-study sandwich lunch
12:30 pm in person Bible Study of Luke
6:00 Handbell Practice, 6:45 Chancel Choir
- Sunday Dec. 12 Third Sunday of Advent**
9:45 am Sunday school
10:30 am Chancel Choir practice
11:00 am Worship Service
5:00 pm **Christmas Music Program**
- Wednesday Dec. 15**
12:00 noon pre-study sandwich lunch
12:30 pm in person Bible Study of Luke
- Sunday Dec. 19 Fourth Sunday of Advent**
9:45 am Sunday school
10:30 am Chancel Choir practice
11:00 am Worship Service