

First Presbyterian Church 209 W. Hickory Street Arcadia, FL

December 6, 2020

Second Sunday of Advent

*Please stand if able

Chimes

Prelude: Once He Came in Blessings Charles Dirr

Welcome & Announcements Elder: Dave Bremer

Lighting of the Advent Candle: PEACE Donnie Knoche Family Liturgy for Peace in Two Voices Isaiah 9:6-7 & Matthew 1:20b-24

Lighting the Candle of Peace

Prayer for peace (Unison)

Almighty God, you make the world and everything in it. You save us in the mercy of your grace. You interfere in the conflicts of human history giving us pathways to justice and PEACE. You alone, O Lord can turn warfare and violence and exploitation and oppression into life lived with balance and harmony and vibrant resonance. In this Advent Season, grant us your PEACE for we ask it in the name of the Prince of Peace, even Jesus Christ our Lord and savior. Amen.

***Hymn:** Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus # 153 v. 1

Call to Confession Dr. Will Browne

Prayer of Confession Dr. Will Browne

Assurance of Pardon Dr. Will Browne

*Gloria Patri: Glory be to the Father

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Glo-ry be to the Fa-ther, and to the Son, and to the Ho-ly Ghost; as it was in the be-ginning, is now, and ev-er shall be, world with-out end. A-men. A-men.

Children's Sermon

Dr. Will Browne

Scripture: Isaiah 9:1-7 Elder Dave Bremer

Scripture: Matthew 1:1-18a Dr. Will Browne

Prayer of Illumination

Dr. Will Browne

Sermon: The Always Winter Never Christmas Witch Dr. Will Browne

Hymn: Come Thou Long-expected Jesus #153 v.2

Apostle's Creed:

(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.

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER INVITATION

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

The PEACE of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

And with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is truly right and our greatest joy...

...who forever sing to the glory of your name:

'Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth PEACE among those whom he favors!" Luke 2:14

In your holiness, O God of majesty...

Morning Prayer / Lord's Prayer:

(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.

Words of Institution Partaking of the Elements

Closing Prayer

(Unison)

Most Gracious and loving God, we thank you for this supper shared in the Spirit with your Son Jesus, who makes us new and strong and who brings us life eternal. We praise you giving us good gifts in him. And, we pledge ourselves to serve you, even as in Christ you have served us. Amen.

Celebration of Generosity

Offertory: Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming Charles Dirr

*Doxology

Praise God from whom all bless-ings flow; praise him, all crea-tures here be-low; praise him a-bove ye heaven-ly host; praise Fa-ther, Son and Ho-ly Ghost.

*Prayer of Dedication

Dr. Will Browne

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*Hymn: Infant Holy, Infant Lowly #221

*Charge and Benediction:

Dr. Will Browne

Postlude: From Heaven above to Earth I Come Charles Dirr

Our thoughts and prayers go out to the family of Rita Banks who passed away on Tuesday, December 1st.

Mark your Calendar

Our Christmas Music Program will be Sunday morning Dec 20th at the 11:00 o'clock service. The Chancel Choir will not be singing. The Handbell Choir is ready & excited about performing all your Christmas favorite songs. Plus Ellie, Steve and Mac (& guitar) special. Please come!

Don't forget to order your Poinsettia's....

Church Calendar

December

6th	9:45 am 11:00 am 12:00 pm	Sunday school Worship Elder meeting following worship service
7 th	2:30 pm	Congregational Meeting duplex
9th	6:30 pm	Handbell practice
11th	2:00 pm	Worship/Music Committee Meeting/duplex

Church Prayer List

FPC - Members:

Tom & Arlene Anderman, and Wayne Gallant.

FPC - FAMILY / FRIENDS:

Alan Adams, Quinton Campbell, Robert Campbell (MaryAnn Treadwell's grandson), Robert Connor, Victoria Cross, Louie Dallojacone (Jan LoPorto's nephew), Pam and Rick Dodd, Carrie Evans (Judie Neeley's daughter), Heidi Evans (Bill Stander's cousin), Roger Evans, Jane Hayward, Deborah Hughes (Wayne Naumberg's daughter), Chester Johnson, Hanna Joy Lepianka (Rich & Jean Borsmanns' granddaughter), Liz McClure, Keith Markey, Rusty & Robbie Mullins, Bobby O'Neal (Edith's friend), Ruth Ann Smith, Linda Summers, Laurie Sykora, Sherry Turner, JoLynn Wright (Bill Stander's cousin) and Landon Yoder.

Military List

Julian Davis, Sean Davis, Ryan Maassen, and Cole Overcash. If you have a military family member and would like to add them to our list, please call the church office at 494-4434.

Church Information:

Attendance Last Sunday: 41 Viewed by Facebook: 64

Offering Last Sunday: \$ 2,904.00 Year to date: \$175,414.76

Session:

2020: Dave Bremer, Johnny Maassen, Mac Martin, Mary Ann Treadwell

2021: Beth Liszak, Mitzie McGavic, Skip West

2022: Judy Kirkpatrick, Don Knoche, Jill Maassen, Bill Stander

2023: Jeff Adams, Ann Pepper, Ellie Sutphin, Edith Wildt

Elders Emeriti:

Margaret Way, David Holloman

Church Directory

Pastor Rev. Dr. Will Browne

Clerk of Session Elder Dave Bremer

Director of Music Genie Martin

Organist

Treasurer Elder Edward Maassen

Sound Technicians Elders Tyler Maassen & Skip West

Office Manager Karen Cassels

Church office hours Monday-Friday 9:00 am to 3:30pm

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