

# **First Sunday of Christmas**

Kirkpatrick Church

Sunday, December 26, 2021

9:30am

Preservice Music

Greeting & Announcements

Preparation for Worship: Please read Psalm 148

Preparation Music

Call to Worship & Opening Prayer

Gathering Songs:

Hark The Herald Angels Sing

I Wonder As I Wander

Prayer of Confession

Silent Personal Confession

Assurance of Pardon

A Time for Children

Offertory

Ministry of Music

1<sup>st</sup> Scripture Reading: Colossians 3:12-17

2<sup>nd</sup> Scripture Reading: Luke 2:41-52

Sermon

Prayers of the People

Hymn of Response: The First Noel

The Lord's Prayer

Sending Hymn: It Came Upon The Midnight Clear

Benediction

Post Service Music

## Announcements

Preaching today, we welcome back Mark Van Bruggen. Mark lives in New Egypt, NJ with Lisa, his wife of 30 years. He is the father of two adult girls and, in February, became a grandfather. He was raised in the Presbyterian Church. His father, Rev. Dr. Vernon Van Bruggen, is a retired Presbyterian minister and served for 18 years as the Executive Presbyter for the Presbytery of New Brunswick. He became an Elder in the Presbyterian Church. When he and his wife (raised Lutheran) married, they sought a church home and joined the Methodist Church where he remains a member to this day. Jim Danner and Mark know each other through the Presbyterian Church and their mutual love of acapella harmony. They have been friends since the 80's.

Presbyterian Disaster Assistance. The needs for the response to the recent tornado destruction are great. God's people are once again called on to stand in the "GAP" — Give. Act. Pray. Gifts can be made online at [pcusa.org/DT21](http://pcusa.org/DT21) or by phone at (800) 872-3283. You can also text PDA to 41444 to donate.

Poinsettias Please take home the poinsettias.

Our next Grocery Giveaway is Saturday, January 22<sup>nd</sup> from 11am-12noon in our parking lot and at Lambertville School parking lot, 200 N Main St, Lambertville, NJ 08530.

Food Ministry We were able to bless 22 families with Christmas Food Baskets this season. Thank you all for your support of this ministry.

Updated Protocols for In-Person Worship (effective July 2021 as approved by Session)

- Masks must be worn properly while on church property (covering face and mouth, preferably double layer)
  - Maintain social distancing (minimum of 6 feet) – the roping off of pews has been removed
  - All attendees will sign in each week to maintain a record of attendance
  - Gathering Covenant to be filled out just once per attendee (parents will complete a Gathering Covenant for underage children)
  - The handicapped bathroom will be the only one available for use on Sundays. If you use the bathroom, please wipe it down with the Clorox wipes provided after use.
  - Please arrive no earlier than 9:15am
  - Bring your own communion elements
  - The nursery will be available for children. Please wipe down toys after use
- If you are showing symptoms of illness or have a temperature of over 100.4, please stay home out of concern and love for all.

Admin Schedule: The office will be closed between Christmas and New Year's Day. Chris will return at 9am on Monday, January 3.

If there are any pastoral emergencies, please contact Karen Shipman or Linda Hults.