Advent Joy

9:30am

Kirkpatrick Church Sunday, December 11, 2022

Preservice Music Greeting & Announcements

Preparation Music

Lighting the Advent Candle of Joy

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice."
The world says, "Worry," and we say, "Rejoice."
The news says, "Fear," and we say, "Rejoice."
The world says, "Be happy," and the church says, "Be faithful."

As we light our third Advent candle, We pray for hope, peace, and joy. Come now, O child of Mary. Come now, O Prince of Joy.

Sung Response: (tune: Away in the Manger)

A candle is burning, a candle of JOY.
A candle to welcome brave Mary's new boy
Our hearts fill with wonder and eyes light and glow
As joy brightens winter like sunshine on snow

Opening Prayer Let us pray:

Holy God, your prophets have long spoken of the one who would come to save us. Now the promise is fulfilled; now your kingdom has come near. Send us as messengers of your way, to go and tell all the world of the wonders we have seen and the good news we have heard; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Gathering Songs: Angels We Have Heard On High Joy To The World

French Carol Traditional

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Prayer of Confession

Holy God, we confess that we do not walk in your light. We praise the high and mighty and look down upon the lowly. We have great faith in human efforts and little patience for your way. Forgive us; deliver us; strengthen our hearts by your Spirit, so that we may be ready to greet the Savior you send, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Silent Personal Confession
Assurance of Pardon
Sung Response: O Little Town of Bethlehem vs 4
O holy Child of Bethlehem!
Descend to us, we pray;
Cast out our sin and enter in,
Be born to us today.
We hear the Christmas angels
The great glad tidings tell;
O come to us, abide with us,
Our Lord Immanuel!

A Time for Children
Prayer of Thanksgiving - Offering

Doxology

All praise to you Eternal Son whose advent has our freedom won whom with the Father we adore and Holy Spirit evermore.

1st Scripture Reading:Isaiah 35: 1-10p.7092nd Scripture Reading:Luke 1: 46b-55p.1013

Sermon: "Mary's song" Pastor Marie Branigan

Hymn of Response: Canticle of the Turning

Prayers of the People Communion Hymn: In the Lord I'll be ever thankful Celebration of the Lord's Supper Invitation Prayer of Thanksgiving Words of Institution Sharing the Feast

Prayer after Communion
Lord, Emannuel
By your presence in this meal
you have fed us and strengthened us,
In this waiting season
fill us with hopeful expectation
that we may see the signs of your kingdom
all around us
and rejoice
in your coming salvation and glory. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Sending Hymn: Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

Benediction

Sung response: Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, Oh Israel!

Post Service Music

Announcements

Please join us for coffee after worship today in the connector.

Food Ministry: We currently need cereal, brownie mix, pancake mix, jelly, box potatoes and canned fruit. Holiday boxes will be distributed on Dec. 17.

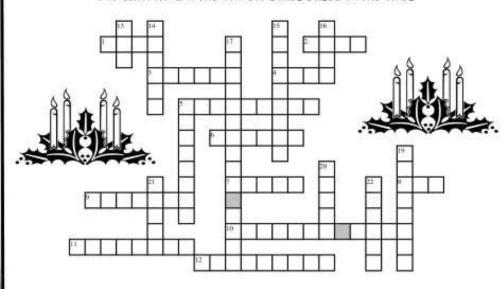
Christmas Eve Worship is at 5:30 p.m. in person and on Zoom. **Christmas Day** service is a pre-recorded service online provided by our Presbytery.

For pastoral emergencies, please call the office or email PastorMarie@kirkpatrickchurch.org. Admin Schedule: Chris is in the office Mon. and Wed. mornings (9-1) and working remotely on Tues., Thurs. and Fridays.

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Advent Crossword Puzzle

Put each word in the correct boxes based on the clues.



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- 1. Advent is the __ Sunday's prior to Christmas.
- 2. The liturgical color of the 3rd Sunday of Advent is
- __ is the start of the liturgical year.
- 4 The symbol of the 1st Sunday of Advent is ____
- 5 The __ branches represent the unending love of God
- is the liturgical color for the 1st, 2.nd, and 4th Sunday of Advent.
- Christ is the __of the world.
- 8 Each candle on the Advent wreath represents ______
 week
- 9. The 3rd Sunday of Advent is called __ Sunday.
- 10. The circular shape of the Advent wreath represents _____

- 11. The 3rd candle is called the __'s Candle.
- 12 The day that Jesus was born is __ day.

Down

- The symbol of the 3rd Sunday of Advent is ____.
- One candle is lit each Sunday on the Advent ____
- The 2nd candle is called the ___ Candle.
- No. The symbold of the 4th Sunday of Advent is ___
- The first Sunday of Advent is the start of the new _____
- 5. Another name for Jesus is ___
- 19. The 1st candle is called the __ Candle.
- The 4th candle is called the __'s Candle.
- 21. The symbol of the 2nd Sunday of Advent is
- 22. Advent means that Jesus is '__ '.

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