# The Order for the Worship of God

The Fourth Sunday in Advent December 24, 2017 Ten o'clock a.m.

## The Service of Preparation

### **Silent Preparation**

Hark! the herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King; Peace on earth, and mercy mild, God and sinners reconciled!" Joyful all ye nations rise, join the triumph of the skies; With th'angelic host proclaim, "Christ is born in Bethlehem!" Hark! the herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King." Charles Wesley

Welcome, Announcements, and The Lighting of the Advent Candles Joyful, all ye nations rise

The Prelude

The Choral Introit	"Every Valley"John	Ness	Beck
◆ The Call to Worship (f	rom Psalm		96)

- Leader: Oh sing to the Lord a new song; sing to the Lord, all the earth!
- People: Sing to the Lord, bless his name; tell of his salvation from day to day. Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous works among all the peoples!
- Leader: For great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised. Come, let us worship our God!

**†** The Declaration of FaithColossians 1:15-20 (Phillips)

- Leader: Now Christ is the visible expression of the invisible God. He existed before creation began, for it was through him that everything was made, whether spiritual or material, seen or unseen. Through him, and for him, also, were created power and dominion, ownership and authority.
- People: In fact, every single thing was created through, and for, him. He is both the first principle and the upholding principle of the whole scheme of creation. And now he is the head of the body which is composed of all Christian people.
- Leader: Life from nothing began through him, and life from the dead began through him, and he is, therefore, justly called the Lord of all.
- People: It was in him that the full nature of God chose to live, and through him God planned to reconcile in his own person, as it were, everything on earth and everything in Heaven by virtue of the sacrifice of the cross. Amen.

Favorite Christmas Hymns

The Prayers of Adoration and Thanksgiving

The Prayers of Silent Confession and Repentance

The Assurance of Forgiveness

The Gloria Patri No. 131, v. 4
 Saints before the altar bending, watching long in hope and fear, suddenly the Lord, descending, in his temple shall appear: Come and worship, come and worship, worship Christ, the new-born King.

The Response to God's Work in Our Lives

The Presentation of our Tithes and Offerings

The Offertory

Doxology No. 625 Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

**†** The Prayer of Dedication

The Hymn of Meditation					
The Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer					
The Ministry of the Word					
The Scripture Reading (p. 573 in pew bible)		Isaiah 9:2-7			
The Anthem	"Wexford Carol"	Arr. John Rutter			
The Sermon & Shari	Rev. King				
♦The Hymn of DedicationNo. 127 Thou Didst Leave Thy Throne (vv. 1, 2, 5)					
✤ The Benediction					
<ul> <li>The Congregational Response No. 138 (chorus)</li> <li>Go, tell it on the mountain, over the hills and ev'ry where;</li> <li>Go tell it on the mountain that Jesus Christ is born!</li> </ul>					
Postlude					
Please stand if you are able					
Elder/Reader: Joe Krupa Acolyte: TBD					

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### THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sun.	12/24	Fourth Sunday of Advent			
Worship Service, 10:00 a.m., Church Annex					
Fellowship Hour, 11:00 a.	m.				
Christmas Eve Service, 7:00 p.m., Sanctuary					
Mon.	12/25	Merry Christmas			
		Church Office closed			
Tues.	12/26	Women's Services, 5:45-7:30			
p.m.					
on.	11/18	Lighthouse Learning Center,			
3:00-4:30 p.m.					
Wed.	12/27	Prayer Group, 9:30 a.m.			
		No evening activities			

# PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR BROTHERS & SISTERS IN CHRIST Mt. Pisgah AME Church Salem NJ

# PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR MISSIONARIES:

Ellie Hall - Wycliffe Bible Translator in Thailand Revs. Dwayne & Janet Doyle – Living in Haddon Heights NJ, and seeking a new call. Trinity Preparatory School – Matt & Chanda Williams

# PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR COUNTRY'S LEADERS & THOSE IN THE MILITARY:

Mark Lindle...U.S. Navy James Morrison...U.S. Air Force Jamie Spears...U.S. Navy Andrew Spears...Delaware Air National Guard Matthew Kemm, M.D...U.S. Army Medical Corps Austin Brown...U.S. Air Force

### SERMONS FOR ADVENT AND EPIPHANY

December 31, Worship in the Annex, "The Favor of God Was Upon Him", Luke 2:22-40 January 7, Epiphany Sunday, Baptism of the Lord, "In the Name of the Lord Jesus", Acts 19:1-7

### FUNDRAISERS FOR 2018 SALEM ASP TEAMS

It's that time again to "Make a Change!" Loose change collection for ASP can be given to Kym, Erin, Morgan, T'Aja, Sierra or Beth.
Italian Kitchen Sub Sale beginning November 6th. Buy a sub for \$7.00 and redeem it at Italian Kitchen or Roman Pantry beween November 6, 2017--January 31, 2018. Thank you!!

#### PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Bill Fuse, Prayers for serious health concerns. (Friend of Gene Zieger) George Parris, Battling cancer. (Friend of Noel Kemm) Gary Bell, Battling cancer. (Friend of Noel Kemm) Scott, Recurrence of throat cancer. (Friend of Lindsey Zieger) Chelsea Slaughter & Baby Amelia, Salem resident (daughter of Chris Davenport's co-worker, Gail Slaughter); Chelsea is now at home and baby Amelia continues to be hospitalized. Dawn Kimble, Continued prayers for health concerns. First Presbyterian Church, The work of the Pastoral Nominating Committee continues. We have sorted through one hundred resumes and have requested further information from several. Now we await these people to respond positively. Although the process moves slowly, the members of the committee are committed to finding God's perfect candidate for our church. Please continue to pray regularly for the members of the committee (Reid, Earl, Chris, Kym, Erin, Wendy) that we will always be reminded of the importance of our task. Pray also for John, giving thanks for his willingness to serve us while he waits for this interim season to come to a close. Harry Springer, Heart valve replacement surgery. (Friend of David Eastlack) Elvena Eastlack, Recovering from second major back surgery. (Sister-in-law of David & Sharon Eastlack) Charis and Ana Williams, Undergoing treatment for Lyme Disease and related complications. Peg Ingram, Recovering from Lyme Disease.

## PLEASE PRAY FOR: (CONTINUED)

Colton Colican, Recovering from extensive injuries resulting from an auto accident. (Friend of Lindsey Zieger) Ann Eber, 94 years old; prayers for chronic health concerns. (Mike Eber's mother) Mike Smith, Prayers for serious health issues. (Friend of Keith & Shirley Campbell) Terry Zieger's sister, Serious health problems. Robert Parker, Health concerns. (Friend of David Eastlack) Brandon Bush, (Friend of Reid Willis) Bob Hyatt, (Friend of Reid Willis) Alexander Fiorillo, Diagnosed with a spinal tumor. (Joe's piano coach) Sarah Doyle, Continued prayers. (Rev. Dwayne & Janet Doyle's daughter) Linda Grant, Prayers for serious health concerns and treatment. (Friend of the Warren/Owens Families) Sam Elliot, Continued prayers during cancer treatment. (Mother works at the Oak Diner in Salem) Steve Silagi, Prayers for health concerns and surgery. (Friend of Betty Simpkins) Gene Zieger's father, Prayers for chronic health issues. Bernie Weber, Prayers for serious health concerns. (Friend of David & Sharon Eastlack) Bill Wilkinson, Receiving treatment for spinal tumor. (Friend of the Kings) Caroline Hickman, Prayers during cancer treatment. (16 year old daughter of a co-worker of Keith Campbell) Terry Zieger, Prayers for health concerns. Robert Pollack, Continued prayers. (Steve Pollack's brother) Donna Bacon, Continued prayers for health issues. Bob & Maureen McCook, Chronic health issues. (John King's sister & brother-in-law) Carol Lee, Diagnosed with cancer. (Friend of Sharon Eastlack) Amy Ricketts, Continued prayers for health issues. Galen & Sara Lenhert, Continued prayers. (Beth Davenport's parents) Biba Kavass, Continued prayers. (Friend of Beth Davenport)