The Service for the Lord's Day 1st Sunday of Advent

11:00 a.m. November 28, 2021

Prelude Now Thank We All Our God
Bell Choir

arr. Douglas Wagner

Welcome

Call to Worship and Lighting of the Advent Candle

Hope is a flame that is given by God.

All: Hope for a new world burns in our hearts.

Hope burns in the message of the Law and the teaching of the Prophets.

All: Hope is revealed in Jesus Christ.

(The candle is lit.)

Let us pray:

All: Source of light, burn in our lives and in your world with your renewing hope.

In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

Hymn 85 Light One Candle to Watch for Messiah

TIF IN VELDELE

Hymn 357

The Days Are Surely Coming

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CONFESSION

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Lord, have mercy on us. We are not ready for your coming. We live in sin, as though there were no justice. We live in fear, as though there was no grace. Forgive us, Lord. Show us your mercy and steadfast love. Lead us in your truth, and teach us your paths, for you are the God of our salvation. Amen.

Declaration of Forgiveness

Beloved, may the Lord guide your way, strengthen you in all holiness, and make you abound in love for one another and for all. Believe the good news:

In Jesus Christ you are forgiven.

Hymn 113

Angels We have Heard on High

GLORIA

PROCLAMATION

Time with the Children

Prayer for Illumination

Holy God, there is wisdom, peace, and joy for those who keep your word. By the power of your Holy Spirit, lead us in your truth and teach us to do your will. Amen.

Scripture Readings

Psalm 25:1-10 Jeremiah 33:14-16 Luke 21:25-36

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSE

Hymn 82

Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus

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Affirmation of Faith

A Brief Statement of Faith

In life and in death we belong to God. Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel, whom alone we worship and serve. We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God. Jesus proclaimed the reign of God: preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives, teaching by word and deed and blessing the children, healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted, eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners, and calling all to repent and believe the gospel. With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

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.

Community Life and Offering

Let us pray...

Prayer of Dedication

God of righteousness, you have saved us and have promised to redeem the whole creation when Christ comes again. In faith and hope, we offer our gifts to you, that we may be part of what you are doing in the world now, Amen.

Hymn 105 People, Look East Besancon

Benediction

Postlude O Come, O Come Emmanuel arr. Hal H. Hopson

We give thanks to God for the life of Dr. Hyun Lee who entered into fullness of life in the presence of our Lord on Monday, November 15, 2021, and who now knows blessed rest.

A Funeral Service for Dr. Hyun Lee will take place at Potomac Presbyterian Church on Monday, November 29, at 11am. Burial to follow immediately after service at Norbeck Memorial Park, 16225 Batchellors Forest Road, Olney, MD.

Cards may be sent Nammy, Amanda, and Andrew at 11408 Palatine Dr, Potomac, MD 20854.

We give thanks to God for the life of Marye Cotton who entered into fullness of life in the presence of our Lord on Friday, November 19, 2021, and who now knows blessed rest.

A Memorial Service for Marye will take place at Potomac Presbyterian Church on Tuesday, November 30, at 11am.

Cards may be sent to Bill at 11816 Winterset Terrace, Potomac, MD 20854.

We give thanks to God for the life of Velma Killion who entered into fullness of life in the presence of our Lord on Wednesday, November 10, 2021, and who now knows blessed rest.

A Memorial Service for Velma Killion will take place at Potomac Presbyterian Church on Saturday, December 4, at 1pm.

Cards may be sent to the family through Jane Irvine, 35986 Tarpon Dr, Lewes, DE 19958.

We extend the condolences of the congregation to Beth Sherfy and her family on the death of her aunt, Josephine Sherfy, who died on November 21. Josephine would have turned 99 in December. Our prayers are with her three sons, two grandsons, several grandchildren, and nieces who are grateful for her life and will miss her.

We celebrate the following birthdays: 11/28 - Marcia Boogaard, Talia Gabriel 11/29 - Bill Cotton, David Stump 12/1 - Jean Granum 12/3 - Ashton Kubasik, Mike Kunst 12/4 - Eric Bernstein

If we are missing your birthday, please contact Jeanne Grillo at admin@potomacpresbyterian.org.

We continue to keep in our prayers: Members of the Armed Forces and their families; Ruth Andrew, mother of Tom Andrew; David Boyd; Minam Chi, mother of Jung Lawrence; Peggy Coco, sister-in-law of Penny Boyd; Bill Cotton; Elliot Friedman, husband of Betsey Rudnic Friedman; Naomi & Bob Gerwin, sister and brother-in-law of Marcia Boogaard; Dave Gorman, son of Nancy Tietjen & brother of Beth Rudnic; Gloria Leber; Bill Malone; Karen Ruan; Nettie Propps; Kent & Kaden Renolds, son and grandson of Nelda Coligan; Cam Sanders, nephew of Marcia Boogaard; Millie Rowan; Bob Stow.

If you would like to be added to the prayer list, please contact Pastor Emily at emily.dandrea@potomacpresbyterian.org or call the church office at 301-299-6007.

Names will remain on the prayer list for six weeks, unless otherwise requested.