November 27, 2022; 9:00 am First Sunday of Advent

We Gather Together

Gathering Music: please join in singing the following Christmas carols

PH 11 "O Lord, How Shall I Meet You?" vs. 1 & 2 PH 38 "It Came Upon the Midnight Clear" vs. 1 & 4 PH 22 "Angels, From the Realms of Glory" vs. 1 & 4

Carol Wetzel, Cantor

(Welcome to our Service of Worship. Whether you are with us in person, joining us live on zoom or watching several days from now, we are glad you are here. We extend a special welcome to our visitors. Please use the time before worship to fill in the Friendship Pad in your pew. Masking (N-95 preferred) and social distancing are not required but are respected and encouraged. Please consider your own health and the health of those around you.)

Welcome & Announcements

Ringing of the Bell and entrance of the Light of Christ

Lighting of the Candle of Hope

We begin the season of Advent with expectant and believing hearts.

We wait upon the Lord and place our hope in God's Word.

During Advent we face the darkness that so often closes in around us.

We wait upon the Lord and place our hope in God's Word.

During Advent we face the doubts that so often reside with us.

We wait upon the Lord and place our hope in God's Word.

During Advent we turn with love to face the divisions that so often occur between us.

We wait upon the Lord and place our hope in God's Word.

GTG 85 "Light One Candle" vs. 1 (during the lighting of the candle)

Prayer (Psalm 25, 1 Thessalonians 3, Luke 21)

Holy Source of life and hope, as we come together this day, Help us grow in love for one another, and for all creation, as we prepare for the coming of the one who calls us to turn from our false gods to you, Holy One, the true source of our salvation. Amen.

*Hymn GTG 347 Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence

*Call to Confession

Graham Anderson

Now is the time to wake up, and be humble in the face of our salvation. By asking our savior for forgiveness, we are taking off our tattered rags of sin and putting on the glorious armor of righteousness. Eager to be resplendent, we confess our sins to God and one another.

*Confession

God of peace, we confess we are steeped in a world of violence. Violence surrounds us – from childhood through adulthood and into our mature age - working its way into our lives. We become accustomed to cruelties – both large and small.

Forgive us, God of peace. Snatch our weapons from our hands and show us the beautiful life we can live when we forge them into instruments of your peace.

Silent Confession
(In the silence of our hearts we confess our sins to God.)

*Assurance of Pardon

Beloved, know this: The God of Presence, The God of Transformation,

The God of Peace, hears our prayers and gives us power to love. Rejoice in the Good News of God: in Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Amen!

*Sharing God's Peace

The Peace of Christ be with! And also, with you!

(Please share the Peace of Christ with those around you using the ancient formula 'The Peace of Christ.' 'And also, with you.' Please be mindful of those who do not wish to shake hands or be too close. We encourage you to use this time to send a text or emoji to someone who cannot be here.)

*Hymn GTG 583 Glory to God

God's Word Is Proclaimed

Old Testament Lesson Isaiah 2:1-5 **New Testament Lesson** Romans 13:11-14 **Gospel Lesson** Matthew 24:36-44

Children's Time *Jennifer Zander*

*Hymn PH 434 Today We All Are Called to Be Disciples

Sermon "Good News/Bad News"

Pastor Ken Locke

We Respond to God's Word

Prayers of the People

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.

Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who have sinned against us.

And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever.

Amen.

Minute for Mission The Solution Center

Sue Baker, Serving Team

Offering "A Welsh Melody"

*Offertory PH 427 Lord, Whose Love Through Humble Service (vs. 1)

*Offertory Prayer

*Hymn PH 450 O Day of Peace

Charge and Benediction Let all God's people say, Alleluia, Amen!

*Closing Refrain PH 9 O Come, O Come, Immanuel (vs 1)

Postlude Jerusalem

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Prayers

Brian C. Silas W. Gary G. Liam A.

Pat D. Jerry and Mary H. Gib D. Chastity G. and Joan S.

Arnold L. Jolene S. - sister and her husband

Pauline W. Nenad Malic

Jesse F.

Uganda, PCUSA Missionaries and Rev. John Tubuwa and his family. Uganda is experiencing an outbreak of Ebola in many areas.

Please take a moment to thank those who help make our service run smoothly. Because of them, we are able to worship God well.

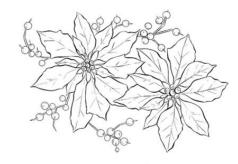
E-Giving

Consider giving electronically. It's easy, convenient, and secure. You can sign-up on our website www.fdlpresbyterian.org. Click on 'Giving'. (You can change your giving at any time.) We are so very thankful for those of you who tithe or give regularly to our church. Your contributions help us do God's work.

Weekly Statistics						
DATE	ATTENDANCE	WEEKLY INCOME	NOTES			
Nov.20,2022	<u>82</u>	\$2,314.00	OFFERINGS/TITHES			
Nov. 20,2022		\$0.00	RAISE THE ROOF CAMPAIGN			
11/1411/18/2022		\$2,391.00	VANCO-ONLINE OFFERINGS			
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		\$4,705.00	TOTAL INCOME FOR THE WEEK			
		\$47,731.97	TOTAL IN THE "RAISE THE ROOF" CAMPAIGN FUND			
11/20/2022	10		ATTENDANCE FOR THE LIVE STREAMING SERVICE 11/20/2022			

This Week at Church

Sunday	11.27	First Sunday of Advent
9:00-10:00am	• Angel ' Worshi Pastor	Ken is leading us in worship.
10:15am 10:15-11:15am 2:00-5:00pm	Fellows Growin Book S	ary & Zoom ship Time Ig Connections for All Ages tudy – "Holy Disruption" Party – for children 3 and up
Monday 10:00-11:30am	11.28 Staff M	eeting
Tuesday 9:00am 6:00pm	11.29 Financo AA Mee	
Wednesday 8:00-9:00am 4:30-5:30pm 7:00-8:00pm		Breakfast ell Practice nation
Thursday 9:00-10:00am 9:00-2:30pm 4:15-5:15pm		ng Connections Planning Team oscope Quilting Group g Team
Saturday 9:00-12:00pm	12.3 Table T	'ennis
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4:00-5:30pm 6:00-7:30pm		Angel Tree Shopping



Poinsettia Order Form

Poinsettias will be ordered for the holiday season and placed in the sanctuary. Please return your form and payment to the church office.

Orders must be received by **November 27**.

Name	
Email	
• In HONOR of	
• In MEMORY of	
• In CELEBRATION of	
Small Poinsettia \$15.00 Large Poinsettia \$28.00	
YesNo I will be picking up my poinsettia after church, December 25, 2022.	
Office	
Date Paid Amount	
Cash/CheckPick Up: Y N	