

DECEMBER 13, 2020

## MORNING WORSHIP

10:30 A.M.

3RD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

GREETING THE GATHERED: The Love of Jesus Christ be with you!

**ALL: And also with you!**

### THE WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE *The Prelude marks the beginning of worship.*

*Please observe silence as the Prelude begins*

### THE CALL TO WORSHIP

The spirit of the Lord GOD is upon me, because the LORD has anointed me; he has sent me to bring good news to the oppressed, to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and release to the prisoners; to proclaim the year of the LORD's favor, and the day of vengeance of our God; to comfort all who mourn... --Isaiah 61: 1-2

### THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION:

**Almighty and most merciful Father, we have erred and strayed from Your ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts.**

**We have offended against Your holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done; and we have done those things which we ought not to have done; and there is nothing good in us.**

**O Lord, have mercy upon us, miserable offenders.**

**Spare those, O God, who confess their faults. Restore those who are penitent; according to Your promises declared unto men in Christ Jesus our Lord.**

**Grant that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life; to the glory of His name. Amen.**

### THE SILENT PRAYER OF CONFESSION FOR OUR INDIVIDUAL SIN

### THE DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

For while we were still weak, at the right time, Christ died for the ungodly.

This proves God's love for us: while we were sinners Christ died for us.

Much more surely then, now that we have been justified by his blood,

will we be saved through him from the wrath of God. -- Romans 5: 6, 8, 9

Friends, believe the good news of the gospel: In Jesus Christ you are forgiven.

**ALL: Thanks be to God!**

### THE LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE | JOY

*Rev. Jody & Monya Hill, Luke & Noah Hill*

### THE PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

THE LESSON: 1 Thessalonians 5: 16-24

THE SERMON: "Do Not Quench the Spirit"

### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

### AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: THE APOSTLES' CREED

**I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

### THE CHARGE AND BLESSING

### \*THE POSTLUDE

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### PRAYER LIST FOR IMMEDIATE NEEDS

Elvin Huddleston, Jack Steiert (son of Frank & Lauren Gay), Nancy & Joey LaBarreare, Gail Allensworth (cousin of Randle Beavers), Kent Montgomery, Marissa Duncan Mitchell, Shea Scott, Tony Huddleston, Krew Polston, Pat Morris (friend of Judy Austin), Leon Bailey, Becky Montgomery, Carol Heavener, Eddie Jackson, Larry Wilbanks, Maxine Tomlinson, Elliott Bailey, Danny Wilbanks, Calvin Austin, Kelli Willey, Ticer Brown, Bradley Childs, Cheryl Willis, Norris Howell, Anne Elliott, Leah & Miles Harrell.

Our Deepest Sympathies to....

The Family of Lenn Beavers (cousin to Randle Beavers)

The Family of Bobby Fay McBryde

Our Homebound, Assisted Living & Nursing Home Residents

Billye Mauney, Jean Ketchum, Carolyn Caviness, George McWilliams, Johnny Cappleman,

Billie Pickens, Dennis Buss.

RPC Weekly Financial Update

RPC Weekly 2020 Budget: \$2,710.97 Offering Received 12/06/20: \$3,245

December Mission Focus | "Christmas Joy Offering" Received 12/6/20: \$50.00

## WELCOME & INVITATION

This church welcomes you, no matter who you are,  
where you come from, or why you are here.

We are Christ's people,  
and this is Christ's place with its doors open wide.

If you are passing through, Godspeed;  
if you are looking for a home, stay here;  
if you need instruction, learn from us as we learn from you.  
We invite visitors to join us, but most of all, to return often.

We are so glad you are here.

**FOR YOUR INFORMATION:** The RPC Office is open Monday through Wednesday,  
9:00 AM - 4:00 PM, & Thursday, 9:00 AM - 12:00 Noon. If there is an emergency outside  
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### RPC Staff

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Jennifer Huddleston | Choir Director

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Lynn Hill | Administrator & Pianist

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