



CHRIST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



November 27, 2022



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First Sunday of Advent

November 27, 2022

10:00 AM

**Those who are able, please stand*

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

*The Prelude is the Opening of Worship and a time of reflection for all
Please mute or turn off all electronic devices*

Call to Worship and Lighting the Advent Wreath

The light shines in the darkness,

We come to worship, seeking the light of Christ once again.

Shine into our lives and into your world this Advent.

Renew us with fresh hope.

Choral Response

One Candle is Lit

(To the tune: Away in a Manger ~ no. 114)

***Come surely, Lord Jesus, as dawn follows night,
Our hearts long to greet you, as roses, the light.
Salvation draw near us, our vision engage.
One candle is lit for the hope of the age.***

Prayer of the Day

***Hymn No. 83**

Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus

Prayer of Confession

**God of hope, we confess that we often prefer accepting half-truths and pleasing ideas, rather than your challenging word. We praise our own cleverness rather than your wisdom. We have exploited others for our benefit and used the earth without a thought for its wellbeing. In your mercy, forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are, and direct who we shall be through the mercy of Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen**

Assurance of Pardon

Sharing the Gift of Peace

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you!

And also with you!

(Please share a gift of Christ's peace with one another)

***Response No. 591**

Halle, Halle, Hallelujah

Time With Children

Prayer for Understanding

Old Testament Scripture Isaiah 64: 1-9

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church!

Our hearts are open!!

Gospel

Matt. 24:36-44

Meditation

Be Not Afraid

Rev. Gretchen Schneider

***Hymn No. 634**

To God Be the Glory

Sharing our Joys and Concerns

God of hope,

Hear our prayer

The Lord's Prayer

Worship in Giving

Offertory

Doxology No. 609

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Dedication

God, our hope and our help, receive our gifts as seeds of gratitude for your gift to us in Christ Jesus. Bless these seeds with growth so that hope will sprout in people who struggle with despair, and places trying to rebuild after devastating loss. Be their hope and their help, through Christ our Lord. Amen

***Hymn No. 384**

Soon and Very Soon

***Blessing and Benediction**

***Congregational Response No. 839** Blessed Assurance (Stanzas 2 and 3 only)

***Postlude**



ATTENDANCE

November 20

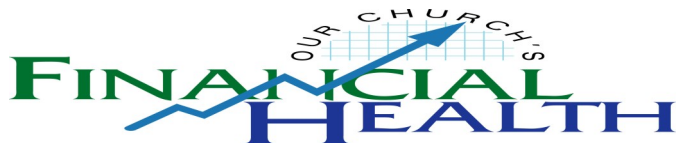
In person — 39

Virtual — 64



Christ Presbyterian Church wants God to be a vital part of our lives as we reach out to our community and we embrace the following Vision Statement:

We believe that God is calling us to be the open arms, the healing hands, and the loving hearts of the body of Christ in our community.



November 20

\$2,280

Year to Date

\$171,389*

***\$37,000 from endowment**

**If Pastoral Care is needed,
Pastor Gretchen Schneider
Can be reached at
(317) 408-7907 or
boilrmker@gmail.com**



Toys for Tots

Tony DeSimone's neighborhood as well as Cub Pack 88 is doing a **Toys for Tots** drive. Place **NEW UNWRAPPED** toys in either box (Narthex or outside of the office).

If you would like to add to the box, feel free to do so up until Sunday, December 11.

Men of Christ Angel Tree

Help the CPC family make Christmas happy for two local area families. Here are five easy steps:

- 1) Pick a gift tag from the tree in the Narthex
- 2) Buy and wrap the gift
- 3) Add your personal gift tag
- 4) Add the **original** gift tag **by taping the yarn onto the present**
- 5) Bring to church by **December 18.**

If you would prefer to make a cash donation, place it in an envelope and identify it for the Angel Tree.



Congregational Meeting

To vote on a resolution from the Session to decrease the number of Deacons .

**Sunday December 4
Following worship**





November

Cheryl Embrey 11/27

Steve Karch 11/30

December

Evelyn Breen 12/2

Calendar for Week of November 27

Sunday 11/27	<i>First Sunday of Advent</i> 10 AM Worship
Monday 11/28	3:15 PM Book Study — MP Room 7 PM Troop 88 — MP & Education Rooms
Thursday 12/1	1 PM PW Coordinating Team — Education Room
Saturday 12/3	1:30 PM Private Celebration of Life Service — Sanctuary and MP Room
Sunday 12/4	10 AM Worship 11 AM Congregational Meeting following worship — Sanctuary

F.A.R.M. Needs These Items

F. A. R. M. (Fortville Area Resource Mission)

Food Drive



F. A. R. M. is open every Tuesday from 12:30-2:30 for food pickup. They hold a Bible study from 11:30-12:30 prior to the pantry opening. On Thursdays they take food to a low income apartment complex on the north side of Fortville. They have 125 families at the pantry on Tuesdays and around 25 families in the apartments. They also sponsor snack bags for around 45 students in the Mt. Vernon school system to take home for the weekends.

F.A.R.M. is currently in need of the following items to add to their shelves.

- Personal Care items
- Cleaning Supplies
- Paper

These items can be left in the grocery cart in the narthex. Thank You!



At Home:

Miki Bean
Martha Dawson
Dodie Urias
Arlene Wheeler



In Hospital, Nursing Home & Assisted Living Centers:

Ann McFate @ Wyndmoor of Castleton, Indpls., IN 46250

Mary Alice Beaumont @ American Village

Shirley Tichenor @ Westminster Village
11050 Presbyterian Dr. Apt. 4103;
46236 phone 317-823-6841

Betty Burney @ Independence Village
9745 Olympia Drive Room #306;
Fishers, IN 46037 Phone 317-913-7489



CHRISTMAS EVE
SATURDAY DECEMBER 24
Lessons — Carols — Candlelight
7 pm
Communion Candlelight
10 PM

December 2022

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Nov 27	28	29	30	Dec 1 1:00pm PW Coordinating Team (Education Room)	2	3 1:30pm Celebration of Life for Becky Floetker's Friend (MP Room - Sanctuary)
4 10:00am Worship (Sanctuary) 11:00am Congregational Meeting (Sanctuary)	5 7:00pm Troop 88 (Education and MP Room)	6 12:00pm Stewardship Commission (The Commission) 1:00pm Needlecrafters 7:00pm CP HOA (MP Room) 7:00pm Girl Scout Troop	7 7:00pm Deacon Meeting (Education Room)	8 7:30pm Sarah Circle (Education Room)	9	10 9:00am Men of Christ (Lincoln Square)
11 10:00am Worship (Sanctuary) 11:00am Sarah Circle Christmas Party - ALL women and spouses	12 7:00pm Troop 88 (Education and MP Room)	13 10:30am Hope Circle (Education Room) 7:00pm Session Meeting (MP Room)	14 6:00pm Second Wednesday Dinner - Session (MP Room) 6:45pm Program - Christmas Craft	15	16	17
18 10:00am Worship (Sanctuary)	19 7:00pm Troop 88 (Education and MP Room)	20 11:30am Prime Timers (MP Room) 7:00pm Girl Scout Troop 2527 (MP or Education Room)	21	22	23	24 Christmas Eve 7:00pm Christmas Eve Candle Light Service 10:00pm Christmas Eve Candle Light Service
25 Christmas Day 10:00am Worship (Sanctuary)	26	27 1:00pm Knit & Natters (Education Room)	28	29	30	31 New Year's Eve

*Have We Got a Fall for YOU!!
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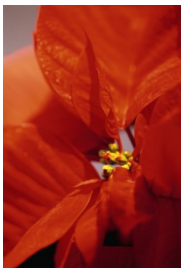
SECOND WEDNESDAY DINNERS AND FAMILY FUN!

**6:00-6:45 Dinner
6:45-7:30 Activity**

**December 14th
Dinner — Session**

Program: Christmas Craft Stations!

Make an ornament, make a Christmas card, write a letter to Santa, decorate a cookie or 2, get a family picture taken, and more!!



**An order form for
Advent Christmas
decorations is
included in the
bulletin.**

**Deadline for donations is
Sunday, December 11**



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@ChristPresbyChurch



**Presbyterian Women
Christmas Party**

Sarah Circle will be hosting their annual PW Christmas party on **Sunday, December 11 following worship.**

EVERYONE — especially members of Sarah and Hope circles, spouses, friends and significant others are welcome.

We will have lunch at **The Grill** and then return to the multipurpose room at the church.

We will have an ornament auction, so please bring a wrapped ornament to be auctioned off.
Hope to see you then!



Joys and Concerns
November 27, 2022

- *We pray for our members and friends in the Armed Services, especially Curtis Call-Bridgewater, Scott Kelley, Amy [Abramo] Allgood, Nate Henry, Chase Bilyou*
- *Prayers for the people of Ukraine.*
- *Continuing prayers for those cities who have experienced mass shootings in the past including, Buffalo, NY, Uvalde, TX, Tulsa, OK, Philadelphia, PA, Dallas, TX, Smithsburg, MD, Highland Park, IL, Greenwood, IN, Beech Grove, IN, Raleigh, NC, St. Louis, MO*
- *Prayers for an end to violence in Indianapolis and our world*
- *Prayers for the victims of the shooting at Club Q in Colorado Springs, CO*
- *Prayers for our LGBTQAI? Brothers and Sisters who are living in fear in this time*

We Pray for God's Healing for:

*John Paulson
Ann McFate
Shirley Tichenor
Miki Bean
Marilyn Juhlin
Terry Goode
Margie Gilliland
Roy Bilyou
Carol Wiker*

*Dodie Urias
Betty Burney
Mary Alice Beaumont
Arlene Wheeler
Ron Chastain
Mina Collier
Heather Fisher
Phil McDaniel*

Welcome to CPC ~ CONNECT WITH US

Please let us know who you are and how we can help you. Please tear off this sheet, fill it in and place in the offering basket.

Today's Date: _____

Name (s): _____

Address: _____

City / ZIP _____

Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

How did you hear about us: _____

[] First Visit [] Address change [] Connect Me