

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PRAYER REQUESTS:

Guests: Welcome to Christ Presbyterian Church. We want to thank you for joining us for worship! If this is your first time visiting our church, please fill out a visitor card and place it in the offerings box at the back of the sanctuary. We'd like to send you some info about our church and our ministries. Also, if you have any needs or would like additional information, please see one of the elders or deacons, or send an email to admin@christpreshamptoncove.org.

Schedule Note: There will be no Sunday School the morning of December 31. We will have fellowship at 10 AM, with the service of worship beginning at 10:30. Our regular schedule will resume January 7.

Regular Activities: All regular activities (studies, youth group, choir, etc.) are on break. Please check the calendar or newsletter for updates as to when the events will resume.

Calendar/Other Announcements: As always, check the website www.christpreshamptoncove.org for additional news and upcoming events.

Healing: Please pray for the health of the following individuals: Suzi Jones, Robin Holloway, Chris Smotherman, Elizabeth Holton, Janet Chou, Ramona Edwards, Nolan Osmer, and Joyce Bosley.

Expecting: Please pray for the the Townsley family, expecting in March, and the Staffords and Deans, expecting in April.

Ministries: Please pray for the following missionaries and ministries: Seth and Jessica Lewis (Ireland); Steve and Rita Williams (New Zealand); Vinnie and Molly Athey (RUF at UAH); RUF at Alabama A&M; Ken and Angie Burnett (FCA); Franky Garcia (seminary student).



CHRIST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (PCA)

ORDER OF WORSHIP

DECEMBER 24, 2017
CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE

Call to Worship: Psalm 99:1-3

Pastor: The Lord reigns; let the peoples tremble!

People: **He sits enthroned upon the cherubim; let the earth quake!**

Pastor: The Lord is great in Zion; he is exalted over all the peoples.

People: **Let them praise your great and awesome name!**

All: **Holy is he!**

Prayer of Adoration:

Confession of Faith: From The Nicene Creed

Pastor: I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible. And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of the Father before all worlds;

People: **God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God; begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made.**

Pastor: Who, for us men and for our salvation, came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary, and was made man.

People: **He was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; He suffered and was buried.**

Pastor: The third day He rose again, according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and sits on the right hand of the Father.

People: **He shall come again, with glory, to judge the quick and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end.**

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Teaching Elder: Dr. Michael Calvert, PhD

Ruling Elders: Dr. Bud Lancaster, MD, Crawford Dillon, Fred Fohrell

Deacons: Jeff Brown (Chairman) Graham Burgess, Ben Calvert, Norman Dean, Glen Doughty, Jack Loose, John Jeffery, Bill McNeese, Paul Matheny, David O'Neil, Steve Profozich, Scott Schnorrenberg, Joe Sims, Adam Turnbull

Staff: Matthew Elliott, Pastoral Assistant for Counseling; Jack Cooper, Church Admin; Ashley Turnbull, Children's Coordinator; Ken Burnett, Assistant to Pastor and Student Ministries

First Scripture Reading: Psalm 96:1-10

Congregational Response: Luke 2:10-11

And the angel said to them, “Fear not, for behold, I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord.”

Song: O Come All Ye Faithful - Hymn 208 v.1,3,4

Second Scripture Reading: Psalm 110:1-4

Congregational Response: Hebrews 1:1-2

Long ago, at many times and in many ways, God spoke to our fathers by the prophets, but in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son, whom he appointed the heir of all things, through whom also he created the world.

Song: Away In A Manger - Hymn 204 v.1-3

Prayer of Confession:

Almighty and merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against You and one another in both our actions and our inactions. We recognize that in Jesus Christ our light has come, yet often we choose to walk in shadows and ignore the light. Gracious God, forgive our sins and remove from us the veil of darkness that shrouds our lives. Illumined by your Word and sacrament, may we rise to the radiance of Christ’s glory. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon: John 3:16

“For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.”

Third Scripture Reading: Isaiah 7:10-14

Congregational Response: I John 4:9-10

In this the love of God was made manifest among us, that God sent his only Son into the world, so that we might live through him. In this is love, not that we have loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins.

Song: Hark! the Herald Angels Sing - Hymn 203 v.1-3

Fourth Scripture Reading: Isaiah 9:2-7

Congregational Response: Titus 2:11-14

For the grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation for all people, training us to renounce ungodliness and worldly passions, and to live self-controlled, upright, and godly lives in the present age, waiting for our blessed hope, the appearing of the glory of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ, who gave himself for us to redeem us from all lawlessness and to purify for himself a people for his own possession who are zealous for good works.

Song: Joy to the World - Hymn 195 v.1,2,4

Preaching of the Word: Dr. Michael Calvert, Teaching Elder
“What Herod Said” - Matthew 2:8

Communion*:

Song: Silent Night - Hymn 210 v.1-3

Benediction: Revelation 22:20-21

He who testifies to these things says, “Surely I am coming soon.” Amen. Come, Lord Jesus! The grace of the Lord Jesus be with all. Amen.

*We invite to the table of the Lord those who are trusting in Christ alone for salvation (Acts 16:30-31; Rom. 10:11-13), are seeking to live a godly, Christian life (Rom. 12:1-2; Eph. 4:1-6; Heb. 12:14), have made a public profession of faith before the Church (Acts 2:38-39; 1 Timothy 6:12), are baptized members of a Bible believing, Christ-preaching Church (Acts 2:41; Heb. 13:17; Titus 1:5), and are not under Church discipline (Matt 16:19; 18:15-18; 1 Cor. 5:1-7).