

*Chapel by the Sea
Presbyterian Church (USA)
1st Sunday of Advent ~ Hope
November 29, 2020*



Chapel by the Sea was the first church on our island and remains a church for the community, welcoming all people seeking to know and serve Christ. We are a mission for Jesus Christ and church for all seasons...

...seasons of life

...seasons of the year

...seasons of our growth as Christians

A WORSHIP SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

PRAYER OF PREPARATION (In Silence): O Lord, we have not longed for your coming and your kingdom as we ought. We have not denied ourselves, taken up the cross and followed you. Instead, clinging to the things of this world and counting them dear, we have grown callous to the needs of the poor, the lonely, and the suffering. We have not cried out for justice nor cared about those who are without Christ and without hope in this world. Lord, forgive us for our offenses and grant that by the power of your Spirit, we might live in light of your coming again. Amen.

TOLLING OF THE BELL

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Dr. Stephen D. Adkison

PRELUDE

Emmanuel with Veni Emmanuel

Bob McGee

MUSIC FOR ADVENT

Light of Light

Joel Raney

RESPONSIVE LITANY

One: Advent is a time of reflection and renewal

All: God of light, shine in our hearts and renew our hope

One: Advent is a time of self-examination

All: God of light, shine in our hearts and strengthen our resolve.

One: Advent is a time of joyful expectation

All: God of light, shine in our hearts and renew our faith.

One: Advent is a time of service and searching

All: God of light, shine in our hearts and ignite our compassion.

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLES

Dr. Adkison

1 My hope is built on nothing less
Than Jesus' blood and righteousness;
I dare not trust the sweetest frame,
But wholly lean on Jesus' name.

Refrain:

On Christ, the solid Rock I stand;
All other ground is sinking sand,
All other ground is sinking sand.

2 When darkness veils His lovely face,
I rest on His unchanging grace;
In every high and stormy gale,
My anchor holds within the veil. *(Refrain)*

3 His oath, His covenant, His blood
Support me in the whelming flood;
When all around my soul gives way,
He then is all my hope and stay. *(Refrain)*

4 When He shall come with trumpet sound,
Oh may I then in Him be found,
Dressed in His righteousness alone,
Faultless to stand before the throne. *(Refrain)*

CALL TO RENEWAL

Dr. Adkison

Let us humble ourselves under the mighty hand of God, casting all our anxiety on the Lord who cares for us. Trusting in God's grace, let us confess our sins.

PRAYER OF RENEWAL (unison)

Lord, in this busy season, it is so easy to let our awareness of you fade into the background, drowned out by the carols and noise, blinded by the lights, distracted by the list of things to do and objects to buy. In this hour of worship, draw our thoughts to you, help quiet the busyness of our hearts and allow our souls to commune with you and that we might hear Your still small voice and have the courage of the shepherds to follow the message of Good News. Amen

GOOD NEWS OF FORGIVENESS (Ps. 103:12; Micah 7:19)

Dr. Adkison

Friends, as far as the East is from the West, so far have our sins been separated from us. They have been thrown into the depths of the sea, and there they are remembered no more. Let us proclaim the Good News:

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Alleluia! Amen.

(Please rise and let us sing)

**GLORIA PATRI*

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
World without end. A – men, A – men.**

OFFERTORY

Offertory on a Breton Noel

César Franck

**DOXOLOGY*

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. A-men.**

SCRIPTURE READING

Titus 2:11-14

¹¹For the grace of God has appeared that offers salvation to all people.

¹²It teaches us to say “No” to ungodliness and worldly passions, and to live self-controlled, upright and godly lives in this present age, ¹³while we wait for the blessed hope—the appearing of the glory of our great God and Savior, Jesus Christ, ¹⁴who gave himself for us to redeem us from all wickedness and to purify for himself a people that are his very own, eager to do what is good.

May these words of my mouth and
this meditation of my heart
be pleasing in your sight,
O LORD, my Rock and my Redeemer
Thanks be to God!

SERMON

“Our Blessed Hope”

Dr. Adkison

ANTHEM

Bring Us Hope
Landon and Lois Doggett, Duet

Ruth Elaine Schram

PRAYER OF BLESSING & 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, the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

**CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE*

Go Now in Peace

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**Go Now In Peace, Never Be Afraid.
God Will Go With You, Each Hour Of Every Day.
Go Now In Faith, Steadfast, Strong And True.
Know He Will Guide You In All You Do.
Go Now In Love, And Show You Believe.
Reach Out To Others, So All The World Can See.
God Will Be There, Watching From Above.
Go Now In Peace, In Faith, And In Love.
Amen, Amen, Amen.**

**BENEDICTION*

Dr. Adkison

**POSTLUDE*

Psallite

Franz Liszt

Prayer Guide — November 29, 2020

“Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus” --Philippians 4:6-7

Please pray for...

- Jim & Lorri Marshall
- Mary Lou Dietz
- Bill & Sandy Peters
- Sandy DeJonge
- Bill Figgins
- Jim
- Michelle
- Coen Holmes & Family
- Vann Turner
- Jack & Julia Palmer
- Bill
- Dean Southworth
- Bill Mouw
- Cheryl Bredin
- Sue Brady
- Harry Willard
- Marie, Jeanne, Aubrey & Stefan
- Linda Brown
- Anita Adkison
- John & Julianna Beal
- The Bob Horning Family
- Amy Bell Finiki
- John Berkenpas
- Alta Nodland
- Karin, Penny & Matt & Families
- Drew Vandlen
- Jim Silvernail
- Audrey Berkenpas
- Joy Booth
- Maria Werner
- Chris M.
- Amanda volunteering in Africa
- Aubrey
- Peggy Huff
- David Conrad
- Graelie Grant
- Josh Stevens, USN
- Craig & Laurie Furlong
- Bob & Ginny Lemire
- Bushnell Family
- Fasick, Bennett, Rhodus & Eggar Families
- Sidok Family
- Chris Foster
- Kathy Frazee
- Linda Hinrichs
- Brad & Pam Cox
- Deb, Connie, Alan
- Greg Beller
- Craig Allen
- Lauren & Marilyn Kamm
- Jarrod Karnes
- Katie Spyke
- Haas Family
- Jay Dishnow
- Merlyn O'Malley
- Doris Lynch
- R.J. & Family
- Tim & Karen
- LaCombe Families
- Unspoken

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