Chapel by the Sea Presbyterian Church (USA) 2nd Sunday of Advent ~ Peace And Communion Sunday December 6, 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): Lord, in this busy season, it is easy to let my 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 my thoughts to you, help quiet the busyness of my heart, and allow my soul to commune with you, that I might hear your still small voice and have the courage of the shepherds to follow the message of Good News. Amen.

TOLLING OF THE BELL

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Dr. Stephen D. Adkison

PRELUDE

Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus

R. Prichard

MUSIC FOR ADVENT

Light of Light
Lois Doggett, Soloist

Joel Raney

Light of Light, we humbly pray; Shine in our hearts today. Dispel the gloom and dark of night; Fill all the world with love and light.

Voices cry out from a world in grief; Prayers of those who seek relief. End their darkness, hear their call For peace on earth, good will for all.

RESPONSIVE LITANY

One: Advent is a time to turn away from meaningless distractions

All: Prince of Peace, clear our minds and calm our hearts.

One: Advent is a time to notice and count our many blessings.

All: Prince of Peace, help us recognize all that is good in our lives.

One: Advent is a time to let go of bitterness and resentment.

All: Prince of Peace, make us slow to anger and quick to forgive.

One: Advent is a time to spread peace to the world around us.

All: Prince of Peace, open our eyes to the needs of others.

Dr. Adkison

*HYMN #2 (All Verses) Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus

HYFRYDOL

- 1) Come, Thou long expected Jesus, Born to set Thy people free; From our fears and sins release us; Let us find our rest in Thee. Israel's Strength and Consolation, Hope of all the earth Thou art; Dear Desire of every nation, Joy of every longing heart.
- 2) Born Thy people to deliver, Born a child and yet a King, Born to reign in us forever, Now Thy gracious kingdom bring. By Thine own eternal Spirit Rule in all our hearts alone; By Thine all sufficient merit Raise us to Thy glorious throne.

CALL TO RENEWAL (Unison)

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)

Eternal and merciful God, we remember how you, through Jesus Christ, died on the Cross and were raised to a new life for us, your children. We humbly approach your throne of grace, seeking the forgiveness of all that separates us from you. As we prepare to break the bread and drink from the cup, let your Spirit purify our hearts and our minds and grant us all your wholeness and spiritual healing. We open our mouths and receive the bread and the cup of life. We open our hearts and receive your forgiveness. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.

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

Prayerful Angels

French Carol

*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 READINGS

Isaiah 9:6

⁶For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on his shoulders. And he will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

John 14:27

²⁷Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid.

Ephesians 2:14-18

¹⁴For he himself is our peace, who has made the two groups one and has destroyed the barrier, the dividing wall of hostility, ¹⁵by setting aside in his flesh the law with its commands and regulations. His purpose was to create in himself one new humanity out of the two, thus making peace, ¹⁶ and in one body to reconcile both of them to God through the cross, by which he put to death their hostility. ¹⁷He came and preached peace to you who were far away and peace to those who were near. ¹⁸For through him we both have access to the Father by one Spirit.

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 "Give Peace a Chance"

Dr. Adkison

ANTHEM

Alice Glawe, Soloist

THE SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION
Invitation to the Lord's Table

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION
The Breaking of the Bread
The Pouring of the Cup

PASTORAL PRAYER & 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

D. Besig

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 An Old Christmas Carol Franz Liszt

Prayer Guide — December 6, 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
- 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

Please lift up in prayer Kim and Terry Southworth on the passing of their beloved husband and father, Dean Southworth on December 1, 2020.

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