



First Presbyterian Church, Annapolis, Maryland

November 29, 2020 – Virtual Worship

First Sunday of Advent

GATHERING AROUND GOD'S WORD

Please gather elements for communion.

PRELUDE - *O Come, O Come, Emmanuel*

Mark Hayes

WELCOME AND CALL TO WORSHIP: Minute for Stewardship

HYMN OF PRAISE - *Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates*

TRURO

PREPARING FOR GOD'S WORD

CALL AND PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Restore us, O God of hosts. Let your face shine, that we may be saved. Save us, O Lord, from traps of our own creating: from fear that blocks the way of love, from worry that blocks the way of joy, from isolation that blocks the way of relationship, from structural injustices that keep the world bound. Forgive us, O God of hosts, until the stars fall from heaven and we live as people transformed.

KYRIE - *Lord Have Mercy*

LAND OF REST

Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy upon us. (sung twice)

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

Gloria Patri - *Gloria Patri*

GREATOREX

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. Amen, amen.

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE

(Advent Luminaria bags still available in the volunteer office or reach out to Miss Good.)

TIME WITH CHILDREN

ANTHEM - *The Eyes of All, Wait Upon Thee*

Paul Manz

Peace be to you and grace from him who freed us from our sins, who loved us all and shed His blood that we might be saved. Sing holy, holy to our Lord, the Lord, Almighty God. Who was and is and is to come; sing holy, holy, Lord! Rejoice in heaven, all ye that dwell therein, rejoice on earth, ye saints below. For Christ is coming, is coming soon. E'en so, Lord Jesus, quickly come, and night shall be no more; they need no light nor lamp nor sun, for Christ will be their All!

PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

FIRST SCRIPTURE - Isaiah 64:1-9

SECOND SCRIPTURE - Mark 13:24-37

SERMON - "Hope Is the Thing"

HYMN - *Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence*

PICARDY

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

OFFERING OF THE PEOPLE

(Give [online](#), in the mail, or by texting "give" to 833.983.0233 and register by smartphone.)

DOXOLOGY

Old Hundredth

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise God all creatures here below;
Praise God above the heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Invitation

Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Blessed are you, O Lord our God... heavenly choir:

Hymn 552 - *Holy, Holy, Holy* LAND OF REST

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is Jesus Christ, our savior... We bless you, God of glory, now and forever, Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

And now lead us as we pray: **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 and the power and the glory forever, Amen.**

Breaking of The Bread

Communion of The People

(All Christians, regardless of denomination or affiliation, are invited to receive the sacrament.)

Prayer after Communion

God our hope, we give you thanks that you have given us this foretaste of the justice, righteousness, and peace of your promised new creation. Strengthen us with this heavenly food as we seek to serve your holy realm. Lead us to live in joyful expectation of the coming again in glory of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

HYMN - *O Come, O Come Emmanuel* (vs. 1, 6, 7)

VENI EMMANUEL

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE - *Come Thou Long Expected Jesus*

Max Drishner

THOSE ASSISTING WITH WORSHIP - **Preacher:** Mihee Kim-Kort; **Liturgists:** Andy Kort, Sami & Colt Jett, Mary Marie Quigley, Linda Barbour; **Music:** Bob Muckenfuss, Chancel Choir; **Time with Children:** Miss Good; **Minute:** Jim Cox.

THANK YOU WORSHIP COMMITTEE - for preparing the sanctuary for the season of advent.

LOOKING AHEAD IN WORSHIP

Sunday, December 6 - Second Sunday of Advent: Peace

Andy Kort will preach from Isaiah 40:1-11 and Mark 1:1-8.

Sunday, December 13 - Third Sunday of Advent: Joy

Rev. Kim-Kort will preach on Luke 1:46-55 and there will be special music from Bob Muckenfuss.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

NEW: GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP - convenes every other Monday via Zoom with facilitator Marion Schilder. Next meetings are Nov. 30 and Dec. 14 at 5:00 pm. To be added, email office@annapolis-presbyterian.com.

THIS IS THE WEEK - Now is the time to submit your Estimate of Giving for 2021! After another good week; we are



80% of the way to our target. However, **79 households that submitted an Estimate last year have not yet done so this year. We need to hear from each of you..** Our plan is to end the campaign December 6. So, please take the time this week to submit your estimate. A gift that is personally meaningful is important, but more important than the amount is your participation in this communal effort. Please tell us your estimate either:

- **Online** (<https://www.annapolis-presbyterian.com/EstimatedGiving>),
- **By Mail** (FPC, 171 Duke of Gloucester St., Annapolis MD 21401),
- **By Phone** (410.267.8705 ext 107 for Dottie Ballard), or
- **By Email** (dottie@annapolis-presbyterian.com).

Important: To simply continue your current online giving, let us know using a method above. That way, we can factor your continued gift into our budget calculations. "For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also." Jesus (Matthew 6:21)

THE DECEMBER NEWSLETTER - is now online (<https://www.annapolis-presbyterian.com/newsletter>).

HOW WILL YOU CONNECT IN MEANINGFUL WAYS IN THIS SEASON?

ADVENT ACTS

"Let us consider how to provoke one another to love and good deeds, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day approaching." Hebrews 10:24-25

FIRESIDE GATHERINGS:
ATTEND AN OUTDOOR GATHERING AT A CHURCH MEMBER'S HOME WITH 8-10 OTHERS.

ZOOM TOPICS:
GATHER WITH A SMALL GROUP TO TALK ABOUT A BOOK, MOVIE, PODCAST, CURRENT EVENTS, PARENTING AND MORE.

VESPERS:
A 30 MINUTE TIME OF QUIET, MEDITATION, AND PRAYER.

COFFEE HOURS
SIGN UP TO MEET WITH A PASTOR FOR A ZOOM CHAT WITH PASTOR MIHEE (MONDAYS) OR PASTOR ANDY (TUESDAYS).

FIRESIDE CHATS - Join us Fridays, December 4, 11, or 18 at the Foye, Dixon, or Wiegand home. RSVP on sign up genius at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f094da5ac2aa7fd0-fireside>. Bring a blanket and your favorite beverage, and kindly indicate online how many are in your party.

POINSETTIAS - During each Advent, worship is enhanced by special music and seasonal flowers. To make a Christmas donation in memory or honor of loved ones, remit \$20 (suggested) for each citation in the December 20 bulletin. Visit www.annapolis-presbyterian.com/give to pay online (under "Chancel Flowers" at top) and email your name, name(s) of your loved one, relationship (e.g., uncle, father, cousin) to office@annapolis-presbyterian.com. Or send a check by US mail. The deadline is December 15. Deacons will deliver poinsettias to home-bound members before Christmas. (If you prefer to keep your donated plant, email dianna@diannayoung.com.)

SHOP THE FAIR - Learn about the work of the church and give special gifts: <https://www.annapolis-presbyterian.com/missionfair>.

PROJECT CHRISTMAS CHEER: HANGING LIGHTS IN COURTYARD, MEMORIAL GARDEN, AND ZW PORCH! We're spreading a little more Christmas cheer this year. Help us by donating white Christmas lights (hardware or \$\$\$) that will be used to decorate the Garden, courtyard, and ZW House. Dates and time to be announced. Drop off lights at the Kinhart Center. Look for sign-up genius this week.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

(Unless noted, meetings are virtual)

Date	Church	Community
Sun 11/29	FIRST SUNDAY IN ADVENT	
	9:30 Adult Education	
	9:30 Fellowship of the Bean	
	9:30 Jesus & Jammies	
	11:00 Worship - <i>Communion</i>	
	5:00 Youth Fellowship	8:30 Evening AA (courtyard)
Mon 11/30	7:30 Morning AA (FH)	Noon AA (FH)
	11:00 Co-Pastor Coffee (by appt.)	6:00 AA (courtyard)
	5:00 Grief Support Group	8:00 Monday Night AA (FH)
Tues 12/1		7:30 Morning AA (FH)
	11:00 Co-Pastor Coffee (by appt.)	Noon AA (FH)
	7:00 Mission	7:00 AA Board
		8:30 Evening AA (courtyard)
Wed 12/2		7:30 Morning AA (FH)
	11:00 Staff (new time)	Noon AA (FH)
	3:00 Bible Study	8:00 AA (courtyard)
Thu 12/3	9:30 PWC Board	7:30 Morning AA (FH)
		Noon AA (FH)
	6:30 "Festivus" with Jenn McDermott	7:00 Evening AA (FH)
		8:30 Night AA (courtyard)
Fri 12/4		7:30 Morning AA (FH)
	11:30 Worship Recording (sanctuary)	Noon AA (FH)
	6:30 Fireside Chat (Foye home)	8:30 Evening AA (courtyard)
Sat 12/5		1:00 AA
		8:00 Evening AA (FH)
Sun 12/6	SECOND SUNDAY IN ADVENT	
	9:30 Adult Education	
	9:30 Fellowship of the Bean	
	9:30 Jesus & Jammies	
	11:00 Worship	
	5:00 Youth Fellowship	8:30 Evening AA (courtyard)

Rev. Dr. Andrew Kort & Rev. Mihee Kim-Kort, Co-Pastors
Dr. Robert Muckenfuss, Music Director & Organist / Miss Good, Family Ministry Director
First Presbyterian Church of Annapolis / 171 Duke of Gloucester Street / Annapolis MD 21401
Partner with the Caibarién congregation of the Presbyterian and Reformed Church of Cuba
National Naval Memorial of the PC(USA) / Earth Care Congregation of the PC(USA)
Partner with Evangelical Church of the Czech Brethren, Czech Republic
Covenant Church with the Haiti Restoration Partnership