

Subject: Worship Bulletin, November 29

Worship Service | November 29, 2020



FIRST
PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH *of*
CHATTANOOGA

*The Vision of First Presbyterian Church of Chattanooga
is to be a city-center church
compelled by Christ's love
to make disciples in our homes, city, and the world.*

Preparing Hearts and Minds for Worship

"Hark! The Herald Angels Sing" arr. John Leavitt

Lighting of the Advent Candle: The Candle of Hope

Leader: Light and peace, in Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Leader: Today is the First Sunday of Advent, and we light the Candle of Hope.

The Praise of God's People

Call to Worship

Isaiah 40:1-4

Leader: Comfort, comfort My people, says your God. Speak tenderly to Jerusalem, and cry to her that her warfare is ended, that her iniquity is pardoned, that she has received from the Lord's hand double for all her sins.

People: A voice cries: "In the wilderness prepare the way of the Lord; make straight in the desert a highway for our God.

Leader: Every valley shall be lifted up, and every mountain and hill be made low;

People: The uneven ground shall become level, and the rough places a plain.

Hymns of Praise

"Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence"

"Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus"

Affirmation of Faith

New City Catechism, Q&A 18, 19

Leader: Will God allow our disobedience and idolatry to go unpunished?

All: No, every sin is against the sovereignty, holiness, and goodness of God, and against His righteous law, and God is righteously angry with our sins and will punish them in His just judgment both in this life, and in the life to come.

Leader: Is there any way to escape punishment and be brought back into God's favor?

All: Yes, to satisfy His justice, God Himself, out of mere mercy, reconciles us to Himself and delivers us from sin and from the punishment for sin, by a Redeemer.

Confession of Sin

Lord Christ,

We confess our willingness to be loved
but also our reluctance to love.

We confess our readiness to accept Your forgiving love
but also our refusal to forgive.

We confess our eagerness to grasp Your offer of redeeming love
but also our resistance to follow You without question.

In this Advent time, forgive us our failure
to respond as we should.

Come to us anew, and by Your grace, assist us to receive You
with joy, as the shepherds;
with gratitude, as Simeon;
with obedience, as Mary;
with love, as You have loved us.

Even so: come, Lord Jesus. Amen.

Hymn of Assurance

"He Who Is Mighty"

Prayer for Christ's People

The Word for God's People

Sermon

"A Tale of Two Women"

Ruth 1

Travis Hutchinson

Hymn of Response

"Joy to the World"

The Sending of God's People

Benediction

*The flowers today are given to the Glory of God by an anonymous donor.
Flowers from today's display will be arranged by the flower committee and delivered
by volunteers to our homebound and hospitalized on Monday, November 30th.*

You're receiving this email because you're a part of the fellowship of 1st Pres.

[Manage my Subscriptions](#) {unsubscribe}.

Join the 1st Pres Online Community.

Login or create your account [HERE](#).

1st Pres of Chattanooga 554 McCallie Avenue Chattanooga, TN 37402

1stpresbyterian.com