

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

December 3, 2023 – 11:00am

* Those that are able and comfortable standing please stand.

Prelude: Adagio from "Pathetique" Sonata with Isn't He? (Beethoven)

Apostolic Greeting:

Leader: The Lord be with you!

People: And also with you!

Welcome and Announcements:

Prayer of Preparation, Praise and Adoration

Lighting of the 1st Advent candle – Hope
(please follow along with the bulletin insert)

***Hymn #291 - O Sing a Song of Bethlehem**

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

Children's Message

Scripture Reading: Isaiah 64:1-9

Message Title: The God Who Comes Down

***Hymn #293 -Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness**

Communion of God's People

***Prayer for Tithes, Talents and Offerings**

***Hymn #815 – Doxology**

Charge, Blessing and Sending with Peace

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you!

People: And also with you!

Postlude: Joysong (Hayes)

~This Week at 1st Presbyterian Church~

SUNDAY, December 3 - First Sunday of Advent

9:15 am – Sunday School in FH and on Zoom

10:15-10:45 am – Coffee Fellowship

11:00 am - Worship Service/Communion

SCRIP

THURSDAY, December 7

10:00 am - Good Morning Bible Study

SUNDAY, December 10

9:15 am – Sunday School in FH and on Zoom

10:15-10:45 am – Coffee Fellowship

11:00 am - Worship Service

Christmas Dinner in FH following worship

Second Sunday of Advent

This Sunday, ~12-03~ Liturgist: Keith Hare; **Sound**

Room: Chris Bowles; **Coffee Fellowship:** Jo Deweese

Next Sunday, ~12-10~ Liturgist: Gaye Gibson; **Sound**

Room: Chris Bowles; **Coffee Fellowship:** OPEN

Reminder: Today is the last day to order poinsettias so please fill out a form and place it in the offering box or give to Louise Whitis if you would like to order. You can take your flowers home on Christmas Eve.

The Good Morning Bible study is studying the book of Job. They meet from 10:00am until Noon in the Gold Circle Room. All are encouraged and welcome to attend. Come enjoy the fellowship, prayer time and Bible Study.





Operation Christmas Child

Please pray for the workers at the Processing Centers who are getting boxes ready for shipment and delivery. Pray that the deliveries go smoothly. Pray that the Good News of Jesus will be received with great joy!

TODAY is the last Scrip card order before Christmas. We hope you will consider ordering gift cards from our Scrip program. There are 25 restaurant vendors offering \$10 cards. These would make good stocking stuffers and thank you gifts. Your orders will be returned on December 10. If you are interested, see Gaye Gibson. Remember that the funds generated are used for church needs. The fund recently provided \$2000 for fixing the roof. Thank you to all who order on a regular basis!



Sunday School

December Sunday School will be based on the Traditions of Christmas including: Advent Wreath, Songs and Carols, and Chrismons. Please join us Dec 3, 10, 17 to learn about these fun and festive traditions with great meaning.

Calling all bakers who signed up! Please return your cookie contribution on **Wednesday, December 6th** for the Sights & Sounds Tour between the hours of 9-2 in the church office.



Save the Date:

Dec. 7th – Sights & Sounds of Christmas

Dec. 10th – Christmas Dinner following worship

Dec . 24th – Christmas Eve Services, both morning and evening;
No Sunday School or Coffee Fellowship

The Candlewick Commons Dinner has been canceled for December.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



The God Who Comes Down

By: Pastor Jesse Ryals

December 3, 2023

11:00a.m.

65 N. Third St.

Newark, OH 43055

Karen Fish, Worship Elder

Tara Lewellen, Music Coordinator