



Christmas Eve 2019
7:00 and 9:30pm

Lewinsville
Presbyterian Church

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WELCOME. We're glad to gather together as a community of faith today. No matter where you are on the journey of faith, you are welcome here, to join in worship and service. All are invited to a time of refreshment and conversation immediately following worship in St. Andrews Hall (down the steps outside the sanctuary, and to the left).

If you are new to this community of faith, we rejoice in your presence with us. Remember, we're not strangers, but rather friends who journey together, following the Lord Jesus Christ.

Please turn off all cellular phones and watch alarms during worship. Please refrain from using flash photography during the worship service.

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HEARING ASSISTANCE devices are available from the ushers or the audio/video console at the rear of the sanctuary.

PILLOWS are available in the coat room, just outside the narthex, to help make the pew more comfortable during worship. Feel free to borrow a pillow and return it after worship.

MISS A WORSHIP SERVICE? Sermons are posted every week on our website, www.lewinsville.org. DVD recordings of worship services are also archived in the Library. Feel free to check them out any time.

INTERESTED IN LEARNING MORE ABOUT LEWINSVILLE CHURCH? – Visit the web page www.lewinsville.org or call the church office.

NOTES FOR WORSHIP:

GG – Glory to God The Presbyterian Hymnal
Renew! - Renew! Hymnal (grey)

OT - Pew Bible Old Testament
NT - Pew Bible New Testament

THE LEWINSVILLE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Christmas Eve Worship

December 24, 2019

7:00 and 9:30 p.m.

* *If you are able, please stand*

†† *Latecomers seated*

GATHERING

For the benefit of your fellow worshipers, please use the prelude as a time of quiet preparation for worship.

PRELUDE 7:00 performed by Chancel Bells

9:30 performed by Alumni Bells

WELCOME

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Isaiah 52:7-9

How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of one who brings good tidings.

We receive good tidings of joy, words of peace, a message of salvation.

Break forth into singing, for God has comforted the people, brought bloom to the deserted places in our lives, and revealed grace to all the nations.

Word of the infant born in Bethlehem is our good news.

Christ is born. Human hopes are made flesh, and all our longings find their fulfillment in him.

Rejoice and be glad, for Christ is born!

* PROCESSIONAL CAROL

O Come, All Ye Faithful

GG 133, vs. 1, 3, 4

1. **O come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant,**

O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem!

Come and behold him born the King of Angels:

Refrain: O come, let us adore him, O come, let us adore him,

O come, let us adore him, Christ the Lord!

ADESTE FIDELES

3. **Sing, choirs of angels, sing in exultation,
sing, all ye citizens of heaven above!
Glory to God, all glory in the highest!**

Refrain

4. **Yea, Lord, we greet Thee, born this happy morning;
Jesus, to thee be all glory given;
Word of the Father, now in flesh appearing!**

Refrain

* PRAYER

**When all things in silence lay and the night was in the midst of her course,
your Word leaped down from your royal throne, O God.**

**So we rejoice and give you praise, that your Word may live in us
and that we may glorify you forever.**

Glory to the newborn King! Amen

* CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

GG 134, vs. 1

Joy to the world, the Lord is come! Let earth receive her king;

ANTIOCH

let every heart prepare him room, and heaven and nature sing,

and heaven and nature sing, and heaven and heaven and nature sing.

* THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

And also with you.

Greet those around you, saying "Peace be with you" or "The Peace of Christ"

*If you prefer not to shake hands in greeting while passing the Peace of Christ,
you may choose to make eye contact and greet others in another personal way.*

THE WORD

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING

Isaiah 9:2-7

OT p. 638

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

ANTHEM

7:00

For Unto Us a Child is Born

George Frederic Handel

9:30

On Christmas Night

Ralph Vaughn Williams

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 2:1-20

NT p. 58

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

SERMON

Good News of Great Joy for All the People

The Rev. Dr. Scott Ramsey

* CAROL

Hark! The Herald Angels Sing

GG 119

MENDELSSOHN

1. **Hark! The herald angels sing,
"Glory to the newborn king,
Peace on earth, and mercy mild,
God and sinners reconciled!"
Joyful, all ye nations, rise;
join the triumph of the skies;
with the angelic host proclaim,
"Christ is born in Bethlehem!"
Hark! The herald angels sing,
"Glory to the newborn king!"**
2. **Christ, by highest heaven adored,
Christ, the everlasting Lord,
late in time behold Him come,
offspring of the virgin's womb.
Veiled in flesh the God-head see;
hail the incarnate deity,
pleased in flesh with us to dwell,
Jesus, our Emmanuel.
Hark! The herald angels sing,
"Glory to the newborn king!"**
3. **Hail the heaven-born Prince of Peace!
Hail the sun of righteousness!
Light and life to all He brings,
risen with healing in His wings.
Mild He lays His glory by,
born that we no more may die,**

**born to raise us from the earth,
born to give us second birth.
Hark! The herald angels sing,
"Glory to the newborn king!"**

* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Philippians 2:5-11

**Christ Jesus, though he was in the form of God,
did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited,
but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave,
being born in human likeness. And being found in human form
he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death –
even death on a cross.**

**Therefore God also highly exalted him
and gave him the name that is above every name,
so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend,
in heaven and on earth and under the earth,
and every tongue should confess to the glory of God:
Jesus Christ is Lord! Alleluia!**

THANKSGIVING

THE SHARING OF OUR LIVES THROUGH OUR GIFTS

*Please take a moment to sign the red pew register. It is found in the pew rack at the
center aisle seat. Please fill out the form and pass it on to your neighbor.
Tonight we will also be receiving the Christmas Joy Offering.*

OFFERTORY

7:00 ANTHEM

Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring

Johann Sebastian Bach

9:30 ANTHEM

The Holly and the Ivy

Arr. H. Walford Davies

* CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

GG 134, vs. 2

**Joy to the earth, the Savior reigns!
Let all their songs employ,
while fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains
repeat the sounding joy,**

ANTIOCH

**repeat the sounding joy,
repeat, repeat the sounding joy.**

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

All who profess faith in Jesus Christ are invited to the table.

Baptized children, with their parents' permission, are encouraged to receive the Sacrament.

THE INVITATION

THE 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.

Prayer is offered.

*...and with all the faithful of every time and place,
who forever sing to the glory of your name:*

**Angels we have heard on high, sweetly singing o'er the plains,
and the mountains in reply echoing their joyous strains.
Gloria in excelsis Deo; Gloria in excelsis Deo.**

GG 113, vs. 1

GLORIA

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

and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

THE BREAKING OF BREAD AND THE POURING OF THE CUP

The gifts of God for the people of God.

Alleluia! Amen!

**How silently, how silently, the wondrous gift is given!
So God imparts to human hearts the blessings of his heaven.
No ear may hear his coming, but in this world of sin,
where meek souls will receive him, still the dear Christ enters in.**

GG 121, vs. 3
ST. LOUIS

7:00 service – *During the Lord’s Supper, you are invited to serve the bread and cup to one another in the pews. You can use the words, “The Body of Christ” or “The Bread of Life” for the bread and “The Blood of Christ” or “The Cup of the New Covenant” for the cup, or another appropriate greeting. The elements being served during communion include wine in the outer ring and grape juice in the inner rings.*

Gluten-free crackers are available. Please let the server know of your need for gluten free.

9:30 service - *Communion will be served using intinction. Ushers will indicate when each pew is to come forward to receive the bread and cup. After receiving the bread, please dip it into the chalice. After receiving the bread and cup, you may return to your pew using the side aisles. Those not desiring or unable to come forward may so indicate to the ushers, and the bread and cup will be brought to the pew so all may partake.*

Gluten-free crackers are available. Please indicate your preference.

MUSIC AT COMMUNION

7:00

Cantique de Noël

Adolphe Adam

9:30

O Holy Night

Arr. Mark Hayes

* PRAYER AFTER THE SUPPER

**All-powerful and unseen God, the coming of your light into our world
has brightened our weary hearts with peace. In bread and cup,
in Christ’s body and blood, you give yourself to us.
May we spread your light and give ourselves to the world,
that we might proclaim the birth of your Son Jesus Christ. Amen.**

SENDING

* SCRIPTURE READING

John 1:1-5

NT p. 91

* CANDLE LIGHTING

*Please tilt your unlit candle to receive the light from your neighbor’s lit candle.
You may extinguish your candle following the Benediction*

and place it in the receptacles in the narthex as you leave the sanctuary.

* CAROL

Night of Silence/Silent Night

STILLE NACHT

(Congregation begins singing Silent Night after verse 2 of Night of Silence)

1. **Silent night, holy night!**
All is calm, all is bright,
Round yon virgin mother and child!
Holy Infant, so tender and mild,
Sleep in heavenly peace,
Sleep in heavenly peace.

2. **Silent night, holy night!**
Shepherds quake at the sight,
Glories stream from heaven afar,
Heavenly hosts sing: "Alleluia;
Christ the Savior is born,
Christ the Savior is born."

3. **Silent night, holy night!**
Son of God, love's pure light
Radiant beams from Thy holy face,
With the dawn of redeeming grace,
Jesus, Lord, at Thy birth,
Jesus, Lord, at Thy birth.

* CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Prelude in D Major BWV 532

J. S. Bach

Please extinguish your candles before leaving the pew.

The pastors will be in the Narthex to greet you following worship.

Sunday, December 29, 2019

Lessons and Carols, 10:00am

One Worship Service

Christmas Caroling 9:50am

Bring your Christmas cookies for sharing and fellowship following the service.



The Christmas Joy Offering – This offering is received during the Advent season and is one of the special offerings designated by the General Assembly of the PC(USA). Fifty per cent of the offering is distributed to the Board of Pensions for assistance programs that provide support to retired and active church workers and their spouses and families. The other fifty per cent supports Presbyterian-related racial ethnic education through the General Assembly Council. Please celebrate the birth of the Christ Child by giving generously to this special Advent offering. Your gift may be placed in the Christmas Joy Offering envelope found in the pew rack and placed in the offering plate.

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the
glory of God
in grateful remembrance and thanksgiving.

Kay and Clay Ancell

In loving memory of VirginiaLee and Henry Margraf, and Mary and Ralph Ancell

Anonymous

In honor of all those who are spending Christmas far from loved ones in the service of their country

Rob, Debbie, Anderson and Walter Bass

In memory of Phil and Joan Zanfagna

Bender Family

In memory of Bob Bender, Peg and George Bender, and Connie and Harry Keister

Scotty and Jim Benson

In loving memory of Daniel and Douglas Benson, family and friends

Linton Brooks

In memory of Barbara Brooks

Patricia Buss

In memory of Edward H. Arnold, beloved father

Verna and Bill Chenault

In memory of loved ones

Phillip, Connie and Adriana Church

In memory of parents and grandparents John and Roma Church and Stan and Miriam Rolston

Dokken Family

In memory of Jim Dokken, beloved husband, father and grandfather

Mary Frase and Mark Williams

In memory of Robert and Eleanor Frase and H. Oliver Williams, Mary's parents and Mark's grandparents

Robert and Catherine Gaugler

In memory of our parents, Roland and Frances Gaugler and John and Rosine Lindenmeyer

Bill and Lori Gray

In memory of Baxter Gray, father and grandfather

Claire and Peter Grossi

In memory of our parents, Peter and Peg Grossi and Peg and Lindsey Booth

Pattie and David Gunter

In memory of Mary Alice Gunter and Hank and Lucy Norton

Elaine, Kristen and Susan Guth

In memory of David Guth

Trish, John and Kathi Hanks

In memory of Bill and Sharon Hanks

Toni Harrington and Ed Sumner

In memory of Toni's parents and Ed's uncle

Judy, Margaret and Liam Herseth

In memory of Charles Herseth, Bud and Avis Herseth, Ned and Isabel Ochiltree, Bruce and Margaret Hayden

The Hiemstra Family

In memory of Anne B. Oweis and Diane Hiemstra Brandts

Carolyn and Dale Hodges

In memory of loved ones

Edward Johnston and Cynthia Meranda

In memory of Lynn and Alice Johnston

Carol Kaffenberger and Janet Jacewicz

In memory of Nancy McGuire

Will and Carol Kaffenberger

In memory of Anna Kaffenberger, Barbara Hammond and Jennifer Saltzstein Kaffenberger

Janet and Jerry Kohlenberger

In memory of their parents

Wendy Maiwurm and family

In memory of George, Ruth and Randy and Jennifer Leeper, and James and Virginia Maiwurm

Patricia and Michael Matheson

In memory of Mae, Myron and Katherine Schraud; Ora, Art and Frank Matheson

Roland and Bettie McElroy

In memory of Ginny McElroy

Mitchell Family

In memory of Nancy Mitchell, beloved wife, mother and grandmother

The Neldon Family

In memory of Jane and Chalmers Marrow (Harriet's parents)

Lena Paul

In memory of Polis Yusif (my father), Yago Odish, grandfather and Nabeela's father

Jack and Susan Pearl

In memory of our beloved parents and beloved son, Michael Pearl

Mary Ann and Bob Philipp

In memory of Max and Kathryn Philipp, and Edmund and Carolyn Wiertelak

Paul and Rosalind Phillips

In memory of our parents, grandparents and Paul's brother, Noah James Phillips and Rosalind's sister, Linda Frances Miller

Rev. Gary and Barbara Pinder

In memory of Amani Joy Pinder, Robert and Mabel Scoville, Raymond and Rosalie Pinder

Scott Ramsey

In memory of family members and Lewinsville saints who have died

Pat and Lexa Reuter

In memory of all the Saints that went before us

Ruth Riggins

In memory of Robert J. Riggins (my husband)

Alex and Burt Scopeletis and Jim Scopeletis

In memory of Carla Scopeletis, beloved mother; Mary Ann Rozbicki, dear friend; and June Scopeletis

Roy and Karen Siple

In memory of our parents

Diane Wachtel

In memory of Michael Wachtel by his wife, Diane, and children Alison and Michael

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MUSIC MINISTRY 7:00pm
9:30pm

Chancel Bells and Chancel Choir
Alumni Bells, Alumni Choir

LAY READERS 7:00pm
9:30pm

John Day
Cathy Gaugler

DUTY ELDERS

Bruce Douglass and David Gunter

GREETERS 7:00pm
9:30pm

Diane Wachtel and Jim Scopeletis
Rachel Russell, Mary Frase and Mark Williams

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