

The Chevy Chase Presbyterian Church

December 3, 2023 – 10:00 a.m.

The First Sunday of Advent

The Trumpets of Advent



**Whoever you are, from wherever you come,
you are welcome here.**

*The Chevy Chase Presbyterian Church seeks to be a congregation where God is the center of our lives;
we celebrate children and youth and equip them with faith to meet life's challenges;
we work for justice in local and global communities.*

We Gather Together

The Prelude	Chorale and Partita 2,3,7,9 and 12 on "Freu dich sehr, O Meine Seele"	Georg Böhm (1661-1733)
The Greeting		The Rev. Molly Blythe Teichert
Introit	Make a Joyful Noise	Douglas Wagner (b.1952)

*Those who are able are invited to stand. **Bold indicates congregational response.**

Please use a connection card found in the pew to write your prayer concern and hand it to an usher or put it in the zoom chat and it will be included in the Joys and Concerns later in the service

***Call to Worship**

Shout with joy to the Lord, all you lands;
lift up your voice, rejoice and sing.
Sing to the Lord with the harp,
with the harp and the voice of song.
With trumpets and the sound of the horn
shout with joy before our sovereign, the Lord.

***Hymn 96**

On Jordan's Bank the Baptist's Cry

Winchester New

***Call to Confession and Corporate Prayer of Confession**

Holy God of light and life,
you gave birth to the universe
and conceived beauty beyond our imagining.
Yet amid creation's glory, we see sin's shadow:
in power misused and beauty marred,
in the discord that divides humanity.
In your great mercy forgive us
and enable us to forgive each other.
Come to us. Challenge us.
Turn us around and renew our hope.
Help us to walk in the ways of Love.

A time of silence will be kept for our personal prayers of confession.

***Assurance of Pardon**

Hear the good news: God is coming!
New life breaks in upon us.
Rejoice and be glad!
In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

***Passing the Peace**

Since God has forgiven us in Christ,
let us forgive one another.
The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.
And also with you!

Please exchange with one another, by words and gesture, signs of peace and reconciliation.

***The People's Response**

**To God the Father, God the Son, and God the Spirit, Three in One,
praise, honor, might and glory be from age to age eternally.**

Hymn 84 vs. 4

Conditor alme siderum

We Share Our Community Concerns

Time with Children

Lighting of the Advent Wreath

The Price Family

Sung Response

Veni Emmanuel; Hymn 88

**O come, O come, Emmanuel, and ransom captive Israel, that mourns in lonely exile here.
Until the Son of God appear. Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.**

Unison Prayer

Holy God, we thank you for prophets who bring us new visions of hope, challenge us to imagine a better world, and inspire us to a future we never thought possible. Amen.

Following the Time with Children, children may go to Chadsey Hall to make Christmas ornaments, decorations, and decorate cookies.

Gathering Song

**Creator of the stars of night, your people's everlasting light,
O Christ, redeemer of us all, we pray you, hear us when we call.**

Hymn 84 vs. 1

Conditor alme siderum

We Share Community Joys and Concerns

Joys and Concerns

Please come to the microphone to share your prayer request, or write it on the connection card found in the pew, or in the chat box on zoom.

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

... We ask these things in the name of the one who teaches us to pray together saying, **Our Father and Mother, 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.**

We Hear the Word

Prayer for Illumination

We wait for you, O Holy God. Come, by your Word and Spirit, and enlighten our hearts. For the sake of your kingdom, help us be your hopeful people. Amen.

The Gospel

Mark 1:1-8

Pew Bible NT, pg. 34

The Word of the Lord

Thanks Be to God.

Sermon

A Trumpet in the Wilderness

The Rev. Molly Blythe Teichert

We Respond to God's Word

*Hymn 87

Comfort, Comfort Now My People

Freu dich sehr

*Affirmation of Faith

**We trust God, whose love and justice are revealed over and over
through creation, community, and story,
through the voices of prophets and the lives of ordinary people,
through a helpless newborn baby.**

Even as days grow dark, even amid uncertainty, even now:

**the fire of God's love burns bright,
the wind of the spirit cannot be contained,
streams of living water flow in the desert,
a rose blooms and all earth cries glory,**

as we wait the dawn of God's new day. Amen.

Offering Ourselves and Our Gifts to God

Music at the Offertory

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

Natalie Sleeth(1930-1992)

Oliver Toussaint, Soloist

Prayer of Dedication

Celebration of the Lord's Supper

Invitation to the Lord's Table

The Great Thanksgiving

The Words of Institution and the Breaking of the Bread

The Communion of the People

Music at Communion

Finale from Sonata VI

Felix Mendelssohn (1809-1847)

Prayer After Communion

And now, Holy God, send us out to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and forever. Amen.

*Hymn 83

Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus

Stuttgart

***Charge and Benediction**

***Postlude**

Trumpet Tune on “Comfort, Comfort, Now My People”

Jerry Westenkuehler

Leaders in worship include The Rev. Molly Blythe Teichert, Sr. Pastor; Julie Vidrick Evans, Director of Music; Dr. Bobb Robinson, Assistant Director of Music; The Chancel Choir; Oliver Toussaint, Soloist; Carolyn Race, Liturgist. **The flowers in the sanctuary are given to the glory of God. For future flower dedications, please contact the office at Office@chevychasepc.org for more information.**

The Rev. Molly Blythe Teichert, *Senior Pastor*
 Elder Erik Woodworth, *Clerk of Session*
 Elder Tom Lutte, *Assistant Clerk of Session*
 Julie Vidrick Evans, *Director of Music*
 Dr. Bobb Robinson, *Assistant Director of Music*
 Valerie Burrows, *Business Manager*
 Nicole Page, *Weekday Nursery School Director*
 Kelley Abernathy, Kim Kasprzak, *ASP Co-Directors*

Aimee Ranaivoarijaona, *Executive Administrator*
 Lea Holz, *Communications Coordinator*
 Anthony Baez, *Facilities Supervisor*
 Francis Diaz, *Day Custodian*
 Russell Sarvis, Luis Henriquez, Audrey Melvin, *Custodians*
 The Rev. Dr. Robert Angus, *Parish Associate*
 Kenneth Lowenberg, *Minister of Music Emeritus*



**If you’re visiting, making a prayer request,
 or just want to check in with us,
 Connect With Us!**

Scan this code with your smartphone and fill out our form online.

WEEKLY CALENDAR		
December 3 – December 10, 2023		
Sunday, December 3	9:00 – 12:00 9:00 – 9:45 10:00 – 11:00 11:00 – 12:15 11:00 – 12:00 11:15 – 12:45 11:30 – 1:00 11:45 – 1:45	Nursery Childcare — Room 108 Choir Rehearsal — Sanctuary Worship — Sanctuary and Zoom at https://uso6web.zoom.us/j/83179114222?pwd=UnhZUUpsN2VPdmkwR3NyQ2kzNmN5Zz09 Coffee Hour — Chadsey Hall Faith Trek — CCPC Conference Room Handbells — Sanctuary ESL Classes — Rooms 104, 122 & 130 Deck The Halls — Chadsey Hall
Monday, December 4	2:00 – 3:00	Health – Exercise 60+ with Will Yates — Chadsey Hall and CCPC Parking lot
Tuesday, December 5	9:00 – 12:00 12:30 – 2:30	TAP Open — Office and Waiting Room Needlework Group — CCPC Library
Wednesday, December 6	2:00 – 4:00 7:30 – 9:00	Wednesday Circle Meeting — Geneva Hall Administration & Finance Committee Meeting — See church calendar for Zoom link
Thursday, December 7	7:30 – 9:15	Chancel Choir Rehearsal — Room 300 & Sanctuary
Friday, December 8	7:45 – 8:45	Men’s Spirituality Group Meeting — Chadsey Hall
Sunday, December 10	9:00 – 12:00 9:00 – 9:45 10:00 – 11:00 10:15 – 11:15 11:00 – 12:15 11:00 – 12:00 11:15 – 12:00 11:30 – 1:00 4:00 – 5:30 5:30 – 6:30	Nursery Childcare — Room 108 Choir Rehearsal — Sanctuary Worship — Sanctuary and Zoom at https://uso6web.zoom.us/j/83179114222?pwd=UnhZUUpsN2VPdmkwR3NyQ2kzNmN5Zz09 Sunday School — Rooms 180, 360, 350A (Calvin Hall) & Firesides Coffee Hour — Chadsey Hall Faith Trek — CCPC Conference Room Children’s Choir Rehearsal — Room 308 ESL Classes — Rooms 104, 122, 130 CCPC Christmas Concert — Sanctuary Concert Reception — Chadsey Hall