

The Chevy Chase Presbyterian Church

December 24, 2023 – 10:00 a.m.

The Fourth Sunday in 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

Prelude

Variations on "Besançon"

Benjamin Cornelius-Bates

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 93**

Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates

Truro

***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!

We invite you to exchange signs of peace and reconciliation with one another.

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

Time with Children

Lighting of the Advent Wreath

The Fernandez Family

Sung Response

**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.**

Veni Emmanuel

Unison Prayer

Holy God, we thank you for your promise to fill the whole world with joy. Let us rejoice with Mary singing our praise for sending us your son to teach us how to love. Amen.

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.

Gospel Lesson

Luke 1:26-38
The Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

Sermon

Gabriel's Trumpet Tune

Rev. Molly Blythe Teichert

We Respond to God's Word

*Hymn 99

My Soul Gives Glory to My God

*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

E'en So Lord, Quickly Come

Paul Manz (1919-2009)

*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 saved be.
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, For Christ 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!*

~Revelation 22, adapted by Ruth Manz

*The People's Response

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

*Prayer of Dedication

*Hymn 105

People, Look East

Besançon

Charge and Benediction

*Postlude

Trumpet Tune on *Truro*

Jerry Westenkuehler

Leaders in worship include The Rev. Molly Blythe Teichert, Senior Pastor; Julie Vidrick Evans, Director of Music; The Chancel Choir; Kelsie Corkran, Liturgist. **The Flowers in the Sanctuary are given To the Glory of God. For future flower dedications, please donate on the church's website. Flower donations are \$75.**

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Family Candlelight Services
"A Place for Jesus" With live animals

7:30 pm

Traditional Candlelight Services of Lessons and Carols
with the Chancel Choir and Marty Bishop on Trumpet

9:30 pm

Traditional Candlelight Services of Lessons and Carols
with Soloists and Marty Bishop on Trumpet

and

December 31, 2023 - 10:00 am

Guest Preacher Rev. Angela Tyler-Williams

January 7, 2024 – 10:00 am

A Celebration of Epiphany
and The Lord's Supper

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