



# Faith PCA

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The Lord's Day  
December 3rd, 2023  
*First Sunday in Advent*

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

\*Call to Worship

John 1:14, 16-18

*And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we have seen his glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth...For from his fullness we have all received, grace upon grace. For the law was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ. No one has ever seen God; the only God, who is at the Father's side, he has made him known.*

\*Invocation

\*Hymn of Praise: O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

Trinity # 194

Confession of Faith:

From Philippians 2:6-11

**Pastor:** Christian, in whom do you believe?

**People:** I believe in the Lord Jesus Christ 'who, though He was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied Himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. And being found in human form, He humbled Himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. Therefore, God has highly exalted Him and bestowed on Him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.'

Confession of Sin:

Psalms 6

<sup>1</sup> O LORD, rebuke me not in your anger,  
nor discipline me in your wrath.

<sup>2</sup> **Be gracious to me, O LORD, for I am languishing;  
heal me, O LORD, for my bones are troubled.**

<sup>3</sup> My soul also is greatly troubled.  
But you, O LORD—how long?

<sup>4</sup> **Turn, O LORD, deliver my life;  
save me for the sake of your steadfast love.**

<sup>5</sup> For in death there is no remembrance of you;  
in Sheol who will give you praise?

<sup>6</sup> **I am weary with my moaning;  
every night I flood my bed with tears;  
I drench my couch with my weeping.**

<sup>7</sup> My eye wastes away because of grief;  
it grows weak because of all my foes.

<sup>8</sup> **Depart from me, all you workers of evil,  
for the LORD has heard the sound of my weeping.**

<sup>9</sup> The LORD has heard my plea;  
the LORD accepts my prayer.

<sup>10</sup> **All my enemies shall be ashamed and greatly troubled;  
they shall turn back and be put to shame in a moment.**

Assurance of Pardon

1 John 1:5-9

*This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light, and in him is no darkness at all. If we say we have fellowship with him while we walk in darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth. But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin. If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.*

Pastoral Prayer

Offertory

\*Hymn of Preparation: *Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus*

Trinity #196

Proclamation of God's Word

Text: Isaiah 7

Pew Bible p. 678 or 726

Title: *God With Us*

Rev. Joe Arnold

Hymn: *Joy to the World! The Lord is Come*

Trinity #195

\*Benediction

\*Response: *Go, Tell It on the Mountain (chorus only)*

Trinity #224

*Go, tell it on the mountain, over the hills and everywhere;  
Go, tell it on the mountain that Jesus Christ is born*

\*Please Stand

**Welcome Visitors - We are glad to see you today. Please scan the QR code and sign in with us online.**



**Sermons are available on our YouTube channel: Faith Presbyterian Church of Cheraw or our web page: [faithcheraw.org](http://faithcheraw.org)**

Prayer List and Announcements for December 3<sup>rd</sup> through December 9<sup>th</sup>

New Sunday school books for December 3<sup>rd</sup> are available in the narthex and the hallway table.

December 3<sup>rd</sup>: Mary K Foxworth Memorial service will be held at the church at 3 o'clock followed by a reception in the fellowship building.

Pastor Joe and Loretta are hosting a Christmas open house at their home for Faith PCA church family on Saturday, Dec. 16<sup>th</sup>, from 5 to 8 pm. We hope you can join us.

Sunday- December 3<sup>rd</sup>- Lee & Hollie Lackey

Monday- December 4<sup>th</sup>- Randy Sandifer

Tuesday- December 5<sup>th</sup> - Tony & Melinda Oakley

Wednesday- December 6<sup>th</sup> - John & Betty Eskridge

Thursday- December 7<sup>th</sup> - Bryon, Ann, Jill, Nola & Sam O'Neal

Friday- December 8<sup>th</sup> - Tony & Debbie Purvis

Saturday- December 9<sup>th</sup> - Jon, Amy, Jon M., Thomas, Lily Cathryn, & Jackson Alexander

The Church and World at Large

Our Elected Officials

Our Missionaries

School students, teachers, administrators, and parents

Those with Medical Issues and Shut-Ins

- Joy Blackman
- Jerry Chapman
- Debbie Ingram
- Pat Seibert
- Tom Kane
- Lynne Cox (Wylie Bell's mother)
- The family of Mary K. Foxworth
- Sallie Goldfinch

Sunday school: Lesson 1: –The Birth of Jesus – Luke 2: 1 – 40

Monthly Budgeted Amount 14,077.78

Received thru November 28<sup>th</sup> – 9,610.00

Faith Promise thru November 28<sup>th</sup> – 7,804.33