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THE LORD'S DAY MORNING WORSHIP

SANCTUARY ~ TEN O'CLOCK

"Let us show gratitude, by which we may offer to God an acceptable service, with reverence and awe." Hebrews 12:28

The Silent Prayer Upon Entering the Sanctuary

The Prelude - Nun komm, der Heiden Heiland / Savior of the Nations, Come, BWV 659 J. S. Bach

Text:

Savior of the nations, come;
Virgin's Son, here make Thy home.
Marvel now, O heaven and earth,
That the Lord chose such a birth.

The Sounding of the Hour

+ The Welcome and Announcements

The Silent Prayer of Preparation

Blessed Lord, who has caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning; Grant that we may in such wise hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that by patience, and comfort of Your holy Word, we may embrace, and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which You have given us in our Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.

The Call to Worship - Psalm 110:2 arr. Claude Goudimel

Text:

From Zion hill, to Thee the Lord eternal
Shall send the rod and scepter of Thy might:
And Thou shalt rule with sovereign power supernal
Amidst Thy foes amazed at Thy sight.

— from *All the French Psalm Tunes with English Words* (1632)

+* **The Hymnal** - #196 "Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus" Hyfrydol

* The Invocation and 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 Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth;
And in Jesus Christ His only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell*; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church;**
the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

* this refers to the realm of the dead, not the place of punishment.

** "catholic" means "universal" church, the true church in all times and places.

* **The Gloria Patri** (Hymnal, #271) Lyngham

All glory to the Father be,
All glory to the Son,
All glory to the Son,
All glory to the Spirit be
While endless ages run,
While endless ages run,
While endless ages run. Amen.

The Pastoral Prayer

The Scripture Reading - Hebrews 5 (5th reading—pew Bible p. 1003)
Matthew 20:20–28 (pew Bible p. 825)

The Ordination and Installation of Officers

* **The Hymnal/Psalter** - #361 “O Praise Ye the Lord” (Psalm 149)
Laudate Dominum

* **The Prayer of Thanksgiving**

The Collection

The Anthem - “Comfort, Comfort Now My People” arr. John Ferguson
The Sanctuary Choir

Text:

“Comfort, comfort now my people;
Tell of peace!” So says our God.
Comfort those who sit in darkness
Mourning under sorrow’s load.
To God’s people now proclaim
That His pardon waits for them;
Tell them that their war is over;
God will reign in peace forever.

For the herald’s voice is crying
In the desert far and near,
Calling us to true repentance,
Since the Kingdom now is here.
Oh, that warning cry obey!
Now prepare for God a way.
Let the valleys rise to meet Him,
And the hills bow down to greet Him.

Straight shall be what long was
crooked,
And the rougher places plain.
Let your hearts be true and humble,
As befits His holy reign.
For the glory of the Lord
Now on earth is shed abroad,
And all flesh shall see the token
That God’s word is never broken.

— Johannes Olearius, tr. Catherine Winkworth.

* **The Doxology and Dismissal** Puer Nobis

Children ages 4 & 5 may leave for a separate service as we sing

All praise, Eternal Son, to Thee,
Whose advent sets Thy people free;
Whom with the Father we adore,
And Holy Ghost forevermore. Amen.

The Sermon

Mr. Johnson

“CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP”

* **The Hymnal** - #194 “O Come, O Come, Emmanuel” Veni Emmanuel

* **The Benediction and Response** (sung by all) Greensleeves

So bring Him incense, gold and myrrh;
Come, peasant, king, to own Him;
The King of kings salvation brings,
Let loving hearts enthrone Him.
Raise, raise the song on high,
The virgin sings her lullaby.
Joy, joy for Christ is born,
The babe, the Son of Mary.

— *Trinity Hymnal*, #213, stanza 3)

The Postlude - Nun komm, der Heiden Heiland / Savior of the
Nations, Come, BWV 661 J. S. Bach

* Congregation Standing
+ Latecomers may be seated

** Children’s Church: Marc and Kelly Chester
Assisting: Timothy Shaw

GREETERS-ELDERS:
FRONT DOOR Elder & Mrs. R. Mullinix
NORTH SIDE F. Daniell
SOUTH SIDE K. Crowe

SUNDAY SCHOOL GREETER:
ELDER: M. Biemiller
GREETERS-USHERS/DEACONS:
FRONT DOOR: W. Black
BAPTISMAL FONT: J. Dugal

Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus

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Waiting for the consolation of Israel. Luke 2:25

1. Come, thou long - ex - spect - ed Je - sus, born to set thy peo - ple free;
 2. Joy to those who long to see thee, Day-spring from on high, ap - pear;
 3. Come to earth to taste our sad - ness, he whose glo - ries knew no end;
 4. Born thy peo - ple to de - liv - er, born a child and yet a king,

from our fears and sins re - lease us; let us find our rest in thee.
 come, thou prom - ised Rod of Jes - se, of thy birth we long to hear!
 by his life he brings us glad - ness, our Re - deem - er, Shep - herd, Friend.
 born to reign in us for - ev - er, now thy gra - cious king - dom bring.

Is - rael's strength and con - so - la - tion, hope of all the earth thou art,
 O'er the hills the an - gels sing - ing news, glad tid - ings of a birth:
 Leav - ing rich - es with - out num - ber, born with - in a cat - tle stall;
 By thine own e - ter - nal Spir - it rule in all our hearts a - lone;

dear De - sire of ev - 'ry na - tion, joy of ev - 'ry long - ing heart.
 "Go to him, your prais - es bring - ing; Christ the Lord has come to earth."
 this the ev - er - last - ing won - der, Christ was born the Lord of all.
 by thine all - suf - fi - cient mer - it, raise us to thy glo - rious throne.

St. 1, 4, Charles Wesley, 1744
 St. 2-3, Mark E. Hunt, 1978

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HYFRYDOL 8.7.8.7.D.
 Rowland Hugh Pritchard, 1855

O Praise Ye the Lord

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Praise the LORD. Sing to the LORD a new song, his praise in the assembly of the saints. Ps. 149:1

1. O praise ye the Lord and sing a new song,
 2. With tim - brel and harp and joy - ful ac - claim,
 3. In glo - ry ex - ult, ye saints of the Lord;
 4. For this is his word: his saints shall not fail,

a - mid all his saints his prais - es pro - long;
 with glad - ness and mirth, sing praise to his name;
 with songs in the night high prais - es ac - cord;
 but o - ver the earth their pow'r shall pre - vail;

the praise of their Mak - er his peo - ple shall sing,
 for God in his peo - ple his plea - sure doth seek,
 go forth in his ser - vice, be strong in his might
 all king - doms and na - tions shall yield to their sway.

and chil - dren of Zi - on re - jice in their King.
 with robes of sal - va - tion he cloth - eth the meek.
 to con - quer all e - vil and stand for the right.
 To God give the glo - ry and praise him for aye.

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

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*"The Redeemer will come to Zion, to those in Jacob who repent of their sins,"
declares the LORD. Is. 59:20*

1. O come, O come, Em - man - u - el, and ran - som cap - tive
 2. O come, O come, thou Lord of might, who to thy tribes, on
 3. O come, thou Rod of Jes - se, free thine own from Sa - tan's
 4. O come, thou Day - spring from on high, and cheer us by thy
 5. O come, thou Key of Da - vid, come and o - pen wide our

Is - ra - el, that mourns in lone - ly ex - ile here,
 Si - nai's height, in an - cient times didst give the law
 • tyr - an - ny; from depths of hell thy peo - ple save,
 draw - ing nigh; dis - perse the gloom - y clouds of night,
 heav'n - ly home; make safe the way that leads on high,

REFRAIN
 un - til the Son of God ap - pear.
 in cloud and maj - es - ty and awe.
 • and give them vic - t'ry o'er the grave. Re - joice! Re - joice! Em -
 and death's dark shad - ows put to flight.
 and close the path to mis - er - y.

man - u - el shall come to thee, O Is - ra - el.

Latin antiphons, 12th cent.
 Latin hymn, 1710
 Tr. by John Mason Neale, 1851; alt. 1961

VENI EMMANUEL L.M.ref.
 Plainsong, 13th cent.
 Arr. by Thomas Helmore, 1856

THE LORD'S DAY EVENING WORSHIP

THE LORD'S SUPPER

SANCTUARY ~ FIVE THIRTY O'CLOCK

"God is spirit, and those who worship Him must
worship in spirit and truth." John 4:24

Preparation (5:15-5:30 p.m.)

Hymn Sing - Communion hymns

+ *Announcements*

Praise

Call to Worship and Prayer of Praise

+* *Hymnal - #515 "How Lovely Shines the Morning Star!"*

Wie Schön Leuchtet Der Morgenstern

Confession of Sin, Pardon, and Thanksgiving

* *Reading of the Law of God* (see back panel of hymnal)

Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Affirmation of Faith - The Westminster Creed, Part V (based on the *Shorter Catechism*)

I believe that in Christ we are given in this life benefits accompanying salvation such as assurance of God's love, peace of conscience, joy in the Holy Ghost, increase of grace, and perseverance therein to the end; that at death, we are made perfect in holiness, and immediately pass into glory; and our bodies, being still united to Christ, rest in their graves, till the resurrection; and that at the resurrection, we shall be raised up in glory, we shall openly be acknowledged and acquitted in the day of judgment, and made perfectly blessed in the full enjoying of God to all eternity.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Collection

Provision for Life and Growth

* *Psalter* - Psalm 22:27-31 (*Psalter*, page 17)

Horsley

* *Prayer of Illumination*

Scripture and Sermon - Daniel 6:1-13 (pew Bible p. 743-744)

Mr. Shaw

"THE GOSPEL OF DANIEL'S PRAYER"

VIII. The Gospel According to Daniel

Prayer of Intercession

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Hymnal - #193 "Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence"

Picardy

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

You may partake of the elements as you receive them

Thanksgiving and Blessing

* *Hymnal* - #221 "Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming"

Es Ist Ein' Ros' Entsprungen

* *Benediction*

How Lovely Shines the Morning Star!

I am the Root and the Offspring of David, and the bright Morning Star. Rev. 22:16

1. How love - ly shines the Morn - ing Star! The na - tions see and
 2. Now rich - ly to my wait - ing heart, O thou, my God, deign
 3. Thou, might - y Fa - ther, in thy Son didst love me ere thou

hail a - far the light in Ju - dah shin - ing. Thou Da - vid's son of
 to im - part the grace of love un - dy - ing. In thy blest bod - y
 hadst be - gun this an - cient world's foun - da - tion. Thy Son hath made a

Ja - cob's race, my bride-groom and my King of grace, for thee my heart is
 let me be, e'en as the branch is in the tree, thy life my life sup -
 friend of me, and when in spir - it him I see, I joy in trib - u -

pin - ing. Low - ly, ho - ly, great and glo - rious, thou vic - to - rious
 ply - ing. Sigh - ing, cry - ing, for the sa - vor of thy fa - vor;
 la - tion. What bliss is this! He that liv - eth to me giv - eth

Prince of grac - es, fill - ing all the heav'n - ly plac - es,
 rest - ing nev - er till I rest in thee for - ev - er.
 life for - ev - er; noth - ing me from him can sev - er.

THE TEN COMMANDMENTS

And God spoke all these words, saying, I am the LORD thy God, which have brought thee out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage.

- I. ***Thou shalt have no other gods before me.***
- II. ***Thou shalt not make unto thee any graven image,***
or any likeness of anything that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth: thou shalt not bow down thyself to them, nor serve them: for I the LORD thy God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children unto the third and fourth generation of them that hate me; and showing mercy unto thousands of them that love me, and keep my commandments.
- III. ***Thou shalt not take the Name of the LORD thy God in vain;***
for the LORD will not hold him guiltless that taketh his Name in vain.
- IV. ***Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy.***
Six days shalt thou labor, and do all thy work: but the seventh day is the Sabbath of the LORD thy God; in it thou shalt not do any work, thou, nor thy son, nor thy daughter, thy man-servant, nor thy maid-servant, nor thy cattle, nor thy stranger that is within thy gates; for in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that in them is, and rested the seventh day: wherefore the LORD blessed the Sabbath day, and hallowed it.
- V. ***Honor thy father and thy mother:***
that thy days may be long upon the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee.
- VI. ***Thou shalt not kill.****
- VII. ***Thou shalt not commit adultery.***
- VIII. ***Thou shalt not steal.***
- IX. ***Thou shalt not bear false witness***
against thy neighbor.
- X. ***Thou shalt not covet***
thy neighbor's house, thou shalt not covet thy neighbor's wife, nor his manservant, nor his maid-servant, nor his ox, nor his donkey, nor any thing that is thy neighbor's.

Hear also the words of our Lord Jesus, how he saith: Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it: Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.

* The 6th Commandment forbids not all forms of killing, but specifically unjust killing, that is, murder.

Psalm 22:27-31

1. ²⁷Then men re - mem - ber will the LORD
 2. ²⁸For all do - mi - nion in the earth
 3. ²⁹To Him will all the rich bow down
 4. ³⁰There shall for - e - ver be a seed
 5. ³¹And they will come and will make known

To earth's re - mot - est shore,
 Is on - ly of the LORD.
 Who feast and live in ease.
 To serve Him faith - ful - ly;
 To peo - ple yet to be

And all the Gen - tile kin - dreds turn
 A - mong the na - tions He con - trols
 And all those souls des - cend to dust
 A ge - ne - ra - tion of the LORD
 The righ - teous - ness that is His own,

To wor - ship and a - dore.
 The po - wer of the sword.
 Will fall up - on their knees.
 It shall ac - coun - ted be.
 For none did this but He.

Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence

The LORD is in his holy temple; let all the earth be silent before him. Hab. 2:20

Unison

1. Let all mor - tal flesh keep si - lence, and with fear and
 2. King of kings, yet born of Mar - y, as of old on
 3. Rank on rank the host of heav - en spreads its van - guard
 4. At his feet the six - winged ser - aph; cher - u - bim, with

trem - bling stand; pon - der noth - ing earth - ly - mind - ed,
 earth he stood, Lord of lords, in hu - man ves - ture,
 on the way, as the Light of light de - scend - eth
 sleep - less eye, veil their fac - es to the pres - ence,

for with bless - ing in his hand, Christ our God to
 in the bod - y and the blood, he will give to
 from the realms of end - less day, that the pow'rs of
 as with cease - less voice they cry, "Al - le - lu - ia,

earth de - scend - eth, our full hom - age to de - mand.
 all the faith - ful his own self for heav'n - ly food.
 hell may van - ish as the dark - ness clears a - way.
 al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, Lord Most High!"

Liturgy of St. James, 5th cent.
 Adapted by Gerard Moultrie, 1864

PICARDY 8.7.8.7.8.7.
 French melody, 17th cent.
 Arr. by Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1906

Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming

A shoot will come up from the stump of Jesse; from his roots a Branch will bear fruit.
Is. 11:1

1. Lo, how a rose e'er bloom - ing from ten - der
2. I - sa - iah 'twas fore - told it, the rose I
3. The shep - herds heard the sto - ry, pro - claimed by
4. This flow'r, whose fra - grance ten - der with sweet - ness
5. O Sav - ior, child of Mar - y, who felt our

stem hath sprung, of Jes - se's lin - eage com - ing,
have in mind; with Mar - y we be - hold it,
• an - gels bright, how Christ, the Lord of glo - ry,
fills the air, dis - pels with glo - rious splen - dor
hu - man woe; O Sav - ior, King of glo - ry,

as men of old have sung. It came, a flow'r - et bright,
the vir - gin moth - er kind. To show God's love a - right
• was born on earth this night. To Beth - le - hem they sped
the dark - ness ev - 'ry - where. True man, yet ver - y God;
who dost our weak - ness know, bring us at length, we pray,

a - mid the cold of win - ter, when half - spent was the night.
she bore to men a Sav - ior, when half - spent was the night.
• and in the man - ger found him, as an - gel her - alds said.
from sin and death he saves us and light - ens ev - 'ry load.
to the bright courts of heav - en and to the end - less day.

German hymn, ca. 1500
St. 1-2 tr. by Theodore Baker, 1894
St. 3-4 tr. by Harriett R. Spaeth, 1875
St. 5 tr. by John C. Mattes, 1914

ES IST EIN' ROS' ENTSPRUNGEN 7.6.7.6.6.7.6.
German melody, 15th cent.
Arr. by Michael Praetorius, 1609; alt.

OUR CHURCH TODAY

9:00 a.m.	Sunday School Classes for all ages
10:00 a.m.	Morning Worship Service, sanctuary
3:45 p.m.	Chatham Transitional Ministry Bible Study, Rev. Evan Gear
4:15 p.m.	Youth Choir Rehearsal (6th-12th grades), Choir Room
5:30 p.m.	Evening Worship Service, sanctuary
6:30 p.m.	Care Group #4 (D. Gobel) (Deacons: A. Johnson/A. Parrish) Set up/Clean up for supper.
6:45 p.m.	Fellowship Supper tonight, Fellowship Hall \$5.00 Adult, \$3.00 Children (2 years old to 8 th Grade), \$4.00 High School and College; \$16.00 maximum per family
6:45 p.m.	Youth eat in the Telfair Hall
7:00 p.m.	Chapel Choir Rehearsal (1 st -5 th grades), Choir Room
7:00 p.m.	Middle School Emmaus Road, 210 Whitaker Bldg., 4 th Fl.
7:00 p.m.	High School Small Groups, various locations

WEDNESDAY LUNCH AND BIBLE STUDY

TELFAIR HALL ~ LUNCH AT 11:45 A.M.

BIBLE STUDY 12:20 P.M.

MESSAGE BY REV. EVAN GEAR

WELCOME TO INDEPENDENT

Our Church extends a cordial welcome to all who worship with us today. Visitors are asked to complete a Friendship Card in the pew rack and place it in the offering plate. Both visitors and members are encouraged to use the back of the card to request information, make comments, or write prayer needs. We are delighted to have you with us this Lord's Day. The bulletin is your guide to the service. A more thorough explanation of our "Order of Service" is available at the front doors. Our service begins at 10:00 a.m. and ends sometime after eleven o'clock.

INSTALLATION SERVICE

This morning we will be installing the following into leadership positions in the church. **Elders:** John S. Breckenridge, Sr. and Kenneth C. Crowe; **Deacons:** William A. Immel (Bill), Mark C. Rustine, and Steven L. Thompson; and **Trustee:** Richard B. Mullinix, Jr. (Rick). We will be ordaining and installing the following deacons: Plenty Groover V, and Jonathan B. Scharer. Brett D. Hudson and Patrick B. McLean will be installed as deacons on December 11 during the evening service.

LOOKING FORWARD TO THE LORD'S SUPPER

The Lord's Supper will be celebrated tonight during the evening service.

COLLEGE BIBLE STUDY

Our College Bible Study meets on Tuesday evenings, 7:00 p.m. in the Assembly Room, located in the Administration Building, 2nd Floor, Room #70. Hope to see you there!

WOMEN OF THE CHURCH

CHRISTMAS BRUNCH — December 6: All women are invited to join us for brunch from 11:00 a.m. to 12 noon in the Telfair Hall. Bring a dish to share.

SAVE THE DATE — February 3-4: Put the date on your calendar for our annual Women's Conference. Details to be announced.

COMBINED TUESDAY/THURSDAY MORNING CIRCLE

The combined Tuesday and Thursday Morning circles will meet at the home of Mrs. Pam Dykema, 123 Goette Trail on Thursday, December 8, beginning at 10:30 a.m. Please R.S.V.P. to Pam at 912- 429-5326 by Monday morning, December 5, if you plan on attending.

PRIMES' CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON

The PRIMES' Christmas Luncheon will be held on Tuesday, December 20, 11:30 a.m., at the Savannah Golf Club (1661 E. President Street). The festivities will include delightful fellowship, delicious food, carol singing, and a brief devotional. The cost will be \$23.00 per person (make checks payable to IPC noting "PRIMES' Christmas Luncheon" on the memo line). The deadline for reservations is Sunday, December 11. Fill out the slip below or you can call the church office, 236-3346.

-----tear off-----

Yes, I/we wish to attend the PRIMES' Luncheon on December 20, 2022.
Enclosed is my check for \$_____. (\$23 per person)

I/we will pay at a later date, but please make a reservation for me.
Name: _____

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Worship at IPC

- Thank you for turning off cell phones during the worship service or placing them on "airplane mode."
- Please leave any food or drink outside of the Sanctuary.
- Those arriving late are asked to take their place either during the first hymn or the Psalm.
- Our Sunday services are available as a Live Webcast for those who are unable to attend. The service may be joined at ipcsav.org/webcast.
- All sermons can be accessed from the church website at www.ipcsav.org.
- If able, please make room in your pews for others. This helps the ushers as they seat people.
- Sound amplification devices are available by asking a deacon at the front doors.
- IPC uses the *Trinity Hymnal*, *Trinity Psalter* and *Trinity Psalter Hymnal*.
- Nurseries for children through the age of three are provided on the second floor of the Axson Memorial Building, during the morning and evening services. In the morning service, children ages 4 through Kindergarten may be dismissed for a separate program following the Collection and the Anthem.

For Prayer & Participation This Week

Mon, Dec. 5	5:30 p.m.	Session/Diaconate meeting at Point Pleasant, Oyster Roast
Tues, Dec. 6	6:30 a.m.	Men's Prayer Breakfast, Fellowship Hall
	8:30 a.m.	Church Staff meeting
	9:30 a.m.	Women's Bible Study, Telfair Hall
	11:00 a.m.	Women of the Church Christmas Brunch
	11:30 a.m.	Pastoral Staff Meeting, Admin Bldg.
	7:00 p.m.	iPRIMES Bible Study (older adults) (via ZOOM only)
Wed, Dec. 7	7:00 p.m.	ESL Classes, Whitaker Street Bldg., 1 st Floor
	7:00 p.m.	College Bible Study, Administration Bldg, 2 nd Fl., Assembly Room #70
	11:45 a.m.	Noon Luncheon/Bible Study, Telfair Hall
	5:30 p.m.	Handbell Choir Rehearsal
	6:30 p.m.	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room
Thurs, Dec. 8	6:30 p.m.	Women's Evening Bible Study, Whitaker Bldg., 1 st Floor
	6:30 p.m.	High School Dinner, Fellowship Hall
	7:15 p.m.	High School Fellowship, 210 Whitaker Street Bldg., 3 rd Fl.
Thurs, Dec. 8	10:30 a.m.	Thursday Morning Circle, at the home of Mrs. Pam Dykema, 123 Goette Trail
	4:15 p.m.	WOC Gather to Pray, Three Tree Coffee at the Porch, 215 W. Collins Street #3009
	7:00 p.m.	Careers, Telfair Hall
Sat, Dec. 10	10:00 a.m.	International Students Christmas Brunch, Telfair Hall

Coming Events

Dec. 15	College Christmas Party at The Gears'
Dec. 16	Greening of the Church, 9:30 a.m.; Youth Christmas Party at Point Pleasant, 6:30 p.m.

The Record of Our Faithfulness

Wednesday Noon Service 11/30/2022 – 49

November 27, 2022

S. S. – 238 AM – 409 PM – 264

INDEPENDENT PRESBYTERIAN
SUNDAY SCHOOL
WINTER QUARTER(DECEMBER 2022-FEBRUARY 2023)

Garmer - John Breckenridge

Francis Schaeffer and the 21st Century Christian

"Much of what Francis Schaeffer argued was afflicting humanity in the late 20th century has now come true in its entirety. Arguably the most influential Christian philosopher of the 20th century, his writings and perspectives are especially relevant today. Though much has been lost as the world has fallen further into the grip of relativism and godless humanism since his death in 1984, the Lord can use us to rebuild again.

Be encouraged as we review excerpts from: The God Who is There, Escape from Reason and He Is There and He Is Not Silent, and see how our Christian faith is grounded in truth and how the Gospel is the only answer for what ails humanity."

Berean - Matthew Burt

Church of the Middle Ages

"Many Evangelicals tend to think of the era of Church history between the death of Augustine of Hippo in A.D. 430 and Martin Luther's theological discoveries in the early 1500s as a dark void. On the contrary, these "Middle Ages" set the stage for the world as we know it: intellectually, theologically, and politically. We will study philosophy and spirituality of the several thinkers and theologians that set the stage for the Reformation--and our own spirituality today."

Emmaus - Bruce Willson

2 Timothy

"Martin Luther declared in one of his Ninety-Five Theses, "The church's true treasure is the gospel of Jesus Christ." The gospel is the deposit of that treasure entrusted to the apostles. The Apostle Paul, in his final letter, 2 Timothy, in turn, entrusts this treasure to his beloved protégé, Timothy. Come and join us as we journey through this precious message and find applications for the church and for ourselves."

Agape - Terry Johnson

The Piety of the Psalms - 3
We will bring to conclusion our study of "The Piety of the Psalms." We will look at the way in which the Psalms function to shape the spiritual outlook, the "piety," to use the older word, of Christians.

New Covenant - Tim Shaw

1 Samuel

"Israel is a mess following the time of the Judges. But there is hope with the rise of King Saul! But we know the story-- what can we learn from his rise and fall, and from the rise of the king after God's own heart, David!? Come discuss with us as we come to the second half of 1 Samuel."

College - Oli Simmons

Elect Exiles: How 1 Peter Speaks to College Students Today

"College brings newfound freedoms and responsibilities. But along with that comes a feeling of strangeness: people out there don't believe or act the same way you do! Peter has lots to say to Christians who feel this tension - those who know the love of God yet fight upstream against the currents of the culture. Come and uncover how God's Word applies to you as an "elect exile" at college."

Sermon Notes

LESSONS & CAROLS AND CHRISTMAS BUFFET

Our Lessons & Carols Service will be held Sunday evening, December 18, at 5:30 p.m. It will be followed by our Annual Christmas Buffet. Members of the congregation are asked to help with this event by bringing **ready-to-eat finger foods on platters, which require no reheating or assembly**. This year we are providing food by Care Groups as follows:

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| 1. A. Brodman - SAVORY | 8. Martin/Thompson - SAVORY |
| 2. Milling - SAVORY | 9. Biemiller - SAVORY |
| 3. Daniell/Crowe - SWEET | 10. Brunson/Mullinix - SWEET |
| 4. Gobel - SAVORY | 11. Breckenridge/Gross - SAVORY |
| 5. Hazeltine - SWEET | 12. Boatright/W. Brodmann - SAVORY |
| 6. Garmett - SAVORY | 13. Barrett - SWEET |
| 7. Jackson - SAVORY | |

Contact your elder or deacon if you have any questions. For those individuals who are not in a care group, please bring your choice of sweet or savory.

GREENING OF THE CHURCH

Everyone is invited to participate in the annual greening of the church on Friday, December 16. We will meet in the sanctuary at 9:30 a.m. to begin decorating the church for Christmas. We will be placing poinsettias, hanging the garland, preparing bows, and decorating the courtyard. Any men that could help with some of the heavy lifting would be appreciated. Please remember to bring work gloves and clippers. All other materials will be supplied. Please contact Carol Scott at 912-656-0664 with any questions.

CHRISTMAS 2022

As we prepare to celebrate Christmas, our plans for this year include placing poinsettias and greenery in the sanctuary. If you would like to recognize a special person, you may do so by ordering a poinsettia, or you may make a donation toward the greenery. The cost is \$15.00. For those who choose to order poinsettias, please be good stewards and remove them after the morning/evening service on Christmas Day. **All orders for poinsettia/greenery need to be submitted by December 11.** You may place your order by scanning the QR code or filling out the form below.

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I would like a poinsettia. I would like to donate toward greenery.
To the glory of God and in honor/memory (please circle one) of:

Honor/Memory of _____

Honor/Memory of _____

Honor/Memory of _____

Given by: _____

