

# This Week at First Presbyterian

## Sunday, November 27 First Sunday in Advent & Communion

- 9:00 a.m. Chancel Choir rehearsal-choir room
- 9:15 a.m. Worship Service-sanctuary
  - Nursery care (ages 0-5 yrs.)-nursery
  - Adult Sunday school-library & chapel
- 10:30 a.m. Worship Service-sanctuary (children dismissed at 10:50 a.m.)
- 11:30 a.m. Social Time-narthex
- 4:00-6:00 p.m. Family Advent Night-A Night in Bethlehem-Presby Place
- 6:00 p.m. Cornerstone Youth ice skating trip- Meet in Fisher Hall and walk to City Park

## Monday, November 28

- 9:15 a.m. Yoga-The Life Room
- 12:00 p.m. Men's Group-Meadowlark Hills
- 5:30 p.m. Zumba-Presby Place
- 6:15 p.m. Deacons dessert & meeting-chapel
- 7:00 p.m. Troop 74-Fisher Hall

## Tuesday, November 29

- 9:00-11:30 a.m. World Friendship-Fisher Hall
- 4:00 p.m. Bibles & Newspapers-Meadowlark Hills
- 6:00-6:45 p.m. Community Outreach Dinner-Presby Place
- 6:15 p.m. Session reception, followed by 6:45 p.m. meeting

## Wednesday, November 30

- 7:00-7:30 a.m. Brown Bag Lunch prep-Presby Place
- 7:30-8:15 a.m. Community Outreach Breakfast-Presby Place
- 9:15-10:15 a.m. Yoga-large group room (child care available-RSVP)
- 5:30 p.m. Mid high meal-Fisher Hall
- 6:00 p.m. Handbell Choir rehearsal-sanctuary
- 6:45 p.m. First Sunday Choir rehearsal-sanctuary

## Thursday, December 1

- Lil' Kids Morning Out-nursery
- 9:00 a.m. Collate Headline News-library
- 6:30 p.m. "Who Is Jesus" Bible study-library

## Friday, December 2

- 10:00 am.-12:00 p.m. Food Pantry-narthex
- 1:00-3:00 p.m. Food Pantry-narthex
- 5:00-11:45 p.m. Jingle Bell Run packet pickup-Presby Place

## Saturday, December 3

- 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. Parent's Day Out-Fisher Hall

## Sunday, December 4

- 9:00 a.m. Chancel Choir rehearsal-choir room
- 9:15 a.m. Worship Service-sanctuary
  - Nursery care (ages 0-5 yrs.)-nursery
  - Adult Sunday school-library & chapel
- 10:30 a.m. Worship Service-sanctuary (children dismissed at 10:50 a.m.)
- 11:30 a.m. Social Time-narthex
- 11:30 a.m. College Lunch-Fisher Hall
- 1:30 p.m. Homestead Worship Service
- 5:00 p.m. Jingle Bell Run-Presby Place
- 5:00 p.m. Cornerstone Youth & P2-volunteering for Jingle Bell run

### Worship Schedule for Christmas Services

Christmas Eve worship services: 6:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m.

Christmas Day-Sunday: one service only at 10:30 a.m.

New Year's Day-Sunday: one service only at 10:30 a.m.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN  
CHURCH



MANHATTAN KANSAS

NOVEMBER 27, 2016  
FIRST SUNDAY IN ADVENT

# WELCOME

## Welcome Visitors

It is our privilege to welcome our guests every Sunday. May you find among us the warmth of Christian fellowship and the spirit of welcome. We encourage you to make this your church family for as long as you are here. Thank you for worshipping with us today.

## SUNDAY SCHOOL SCHEDULE

### ADULTS AND YOUTH

**Covenant Class**—This year's lesson will include a 20 minute video and lively class discussion based on Dr. Mickey Efrid's "From Genesis to Revelation", a comprehensive overview of the Bible. Led by Dr. Dean Armbrust.

**Questions Class** 9:15 a.m. in the library. "How Jesus Became God" is the study. Led by Steven Graham. Child care available for K-6th grade in "The Grove" (room adjacent to nursery).

#### CORNERSTONE YOUTH:

Watch the announcements page in the bulletin for schedule of events. Talk to Pastor Kati, or youth leaders Nick Wiggins and Natalie Bender, to get on our email and groupme lists.

**College Lunch:** Once a month our college students meet for lunch immediately following the 10:30 a.m. worship service. Next gathering **Dec. 4.**

### CHILDREN

#### 9:15-11:45 a.m.

**"Mustard Seeds Nursery"** Nursery 4 months-4 years. Lower Level, Children's Education Wing.

**Nursery & Cry Room available for all worship services.**

#### 10:50-11:45 a.m.

**Sunday school & choir.** Children dismissed from worship following the children's message.

#### **"The Grove" (Seedlings)**

Pre-K. Lower Level, Children's Education Wing.

#### **"The Way" Class (Frogs)**

K-1st grade. Upper Level, Children's Education Wing.

#### **"The Truth" Class (Owls)**

2nd-3rd Grade. Upper Level, Children's Education Wing.

#### **"The Life" Class (Trees)**

4th-6th Grade. Upper Level, Children's Education Wing.

**Social time** is held every Sunday from 10:10-10:25 a.m. in **Fisher Hall** (lower level) and immediately following the 10:30 a.m. worship service in **the narthex lounge**. Delicious **Radina's** coffee is served.

### MISSION STATEMENT

*To create disciples for Jesus Christ and to practice His teachings by loving and serving God and one another.*

## Community Outreach Meals

### Community Outreach Dinner

Tuesday, November 29

Main Dish: Marti Meeks\*

Main Dish: Claudia Voos

Main Dish: Donna Davis

Main Dish: Chris Butler

Side Dish/Bread: Jo Lyle

Side Dish/Bread: Linda Couch

Dessert: Rosalie Thompson

Server: Claudia Voos

Server: Jane Houghton

Server: Kristine Tiroch

Server: Linda Couch

Server: Bobbi Schesser

Server: Kiwanis Club

\*Team Leader

Contact: Claudia Voos 785-313-1874

Dinner hours 6:00-6:45 p.m.

### Community Outreach Breakfast

Wednesday, November 30

Egg Bake: Shirley Vogts

Egg Bake: Doris Burnett

Egg Bake: Chris Gathers

Serve: Judy Rayl\*

Serve: Melissa Soldan

Serve: Keith Vogts

Serve: Stacey Montgomery

Serve: Mary Vander Pol

Clean up: Jan Rayl

Clean up: Joe Montgomery

\*Team Leader

Contact: Missy Cox 785-341-4993

Breakfast hours 7:30-8:15 a.m.



## Brown Bag Lunches

### November/December sandwich makers

Nov. 30 Jackie Macdonald

Dec. 7 Patty McCrary

Dec. 14 Emily Mark

Dec. 21 Peggy Lyons

Contact: Peggy Lyons at 537-0537 or [lyonspeg@sbcglobal.net](mailto:lyonspeg@sbcglobal.net) if you'd like to volunteer to be a sandwich maker or to make a donation.

## Food Pantry

### Friday, December 2nd

10:00 am-12:00pm

Carol Bruckerhoff

Chris Butler

Donna Davis

Mary Vestweber

To volunteer please contact: Ray Coffey at 587-7731

1:00-3:00 pm

Jerry Vestweber



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## Announcements and Upcoming Events

**Jingle Bell Run 2016!** Join us this holiday season for the **5th Annual Jingle Bell 5k Run and 1.5 Mile Fun Run/Walk**. It will be held **Sunday, Dec. 4, 2016 at 5:00 PM**. Get into the holiday spirit with this family-friendly event as you run through downtown Manhattan and around Kansas' largest Christmas tree in Blue Earth Plaza. After the event, enjoy a light dinner and awards ceremony! Be there with bells on! This year's event benefits "**Girls on the Run.**" Sign up now at [www.jinglebellrun5k.com](http://www.jinglebellrun5k.com).



**CORNERSTONE Youth** will meet in Fisher Hall this evening at 6:00 p.m. and then walk to City Park for ice skating.

**Evening Circle** will meet at **6:30 p.m.** on **Thursday, December 1st** in the library.

**CCCChurch Circle** will meet at 10:30 am on Dec. 1st at Manhattan Country club for fellowship and lunch. Please RSVP to Jo Lyle by Monday, Nov. 28th.

**Advent Devotionals are now available, you may pick one up in the narthex or in the office.**

**Cornerstone Youth Ski Trip 2017!** Our youth will be heading to beautiful **Winter Park Ski Resort Feb. 9-13, 2017!** Check out the new Ski Trip Registration Site to reserve your spot. Ski trip packages start at \$275/person, non-ski price is \$175. A \$100 deposit is due Dec. 12th. [www.skidaddy.com/cyouth](http://www.skidaddy.com/cyouth) (or follow the link on our website on the Youth/College page.)

**Esther Brabb** will celebrate her **95th birthday on December 7th**. Please help her celebrate with a card shower, her address is Council Grove Assisted Living, 554 Country Lane, Room 123, Council Grove, KS 66846.

**Stewardship Update:** On Stewardship Sunday, 95 pledge cards were received, totaling approximately \$416,000.00--great response! If you haven't already made a pledge, please consider your commitment to the work of our Lord through First Presbyterian.

**Capital Repair Fund Update:** Over 110,000.00 has been pledged and/or paid for repair of the window casings, a new roof for the sanctuary, and a new HVAC system for the sanctuary. The goal is \$167,000.00. We are getting closer! You may contribute to the Capital Repair Fund by noting on your check: "Capital Repair Fund."

A **meeting of the congregation** will take place on **Sunday, Dec. 11th at 11:30 a.m.** in the sanctuary. The purpose of the meeting is to elect elders, deacons, and at-large Nominating Committee members.

**Celebrating our graduates!** We will be celebrating our college students and especially winter graduates on **Sunday, Dec. 4th**. Please contact the office if you or your student is graduating this winter. Please include his/her degree and school.



## Order of Worship 9:15 a.m.

<b>PRELUDE</b>	<i>Now Thank We All Our God</i>	by Sigfrid Karg-Elert Stephen Kucera, Organist
<b>RINGING OF THE BELL</b>		
<b>*HYMN</b>	#88 <i>O Come, O Come, Emmanuel</i>	(verses 1-4)
<b>LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE</b>		The Voos Family
<b>RESPONSE</b>	<i>Savior of the Nations, Come</i>	Anna Kucera
<b>*CALL TO WORSHIP &amp; PRAYER OF CONFESSION</b>		Rev. R.C. McConnell Bulletin page 4
<b>*ASSURANCE OF PARDON &amp; TIME FOR GREETING</b>		
<b>ANNOUNCEMENTS</b>		Rev. Kati Collins
<b>ANTHEM</b>	<i>Emmanuel, Expected Jesus</i>	arr. Ruth Schram Matt Shea, Bassoon R.J. Leonard, Director
<b>OFFERING</b>		Meditation on <i>What Offering Shall I Bring</i>
<b>*DOXOLOGY</b>		<i>Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow</i>
<b>*PRAYER OF DEDICATION</b>		
<b>SCRIPTURE LESSON</b>	Daniel 6:11-22a (NRSV)	Stephanie Petrie
<b>SPECIAL MUSIC</b>	<i>Blessings</i>	Grace Volker, Soloist
<b>PASTORAL PRAYER. THE LORD'S PRAYER.</b>		
<b>SCRIPTURE LESSON</b>	Luke 2:39-50 (NRSV)	
<b>SERMON</b>	"Finding Joy in the Waiting Room"	Rev. Kati Collins
<b>COMMUNION HYMN</b>	#362 <i>Rejoice! Rejoice, Believers</i>	
<b>SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION</b>		Bulletin page 5
<b>*HYMN</b>	#357 <i>The Days Are Surely Coming</i>	
<b>*BENEDICTION</b>		
<b>POSTLUDE</b>	<i>Come, Ye Thankful People, Come</i>	arr. McDonald

\*Asterisk denotes standing if you are able.

# Order of Worship 10:30 a.m.

**PRELUDE** *Now Thank We All Our God* by Sigfrid Karg-Elert  
Stephen Kucera, Organist

## RINGING OF THE BELL

**CHORAL INTROIT** *Prepare the Way for the Lord*

**\*PROCESSIONAL HYMN** #88 *O Come, O Come, Emmanuel* (verses 1-4)

**LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE** The Montgomery Family

**RESPONSE** *Savior of the Nations, Come* Sam Wilson

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP & PRAYER OF CONFESSION** Rev. R.C. McConnell

**Minister:** Come, O Come, Emmanuel, we are waiting for You.

**People:** Lord of all nations, we are waiting for You to come and bind all peoples in one heart and mind. Bid envy, strife and discord cease; fill the whole world with heaven's peace.

**Minister:** Rejoice!

**People:** Rejoice!

**Minister:** Emmanuel shall come to thee. Let us offer our troubles and sins to the Lord in prayer.

**All: Emmanuel, God with us, we bring You our burdens as we wait for Your return. We confess that we do not like waiting for You, when we want our problems solved right now, we want healing to happen right now, and we want what we want right now. We give You control over our lives, and we confess that Your way will bring us blessings unimaginable.** (time for silent prayer)

**Minister:** People of God, rejoice.

**People:** We rejoice in Your mercy, forgive our desires to rush and open our hearts to wait. Amen.

## \*ASSURANCE OF PARDON & TIME FOR GREETING

**ANNOUNCEMENTS** Rev. Kati Collins

**OFFERING** Meditation on *What Offering Shall I Bring*

**\*DOXOLOGY** *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*

**\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION**  
*Children are dismissed to go to Sunday School and Pageant rehearsal*

**SCRIPTURE LESSON** Daniel 6:11-22a (NRSV) Whitney Short

**SPECIAL MUSIC** *Blessings* Grace Volker, Soloist

## PASTORAL PRAYER. THE LORD'S PRAYER.

**SCRIPTURE LESSON** Luke 2:39-50 Steve Short

**ANTHEM** *Emmanuel, Expected Jesus* arr. Ruth Schram  
Matt Shea, Bassoon  
Reginald Pittman, Director

**SERMON** "Finding Joy in the Waiting Room" Rev. Kati Collins

**COMMUNION HYMN** #362 *Rejoice! Rejoice, Believers*

## THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

### +DISTRIBUTION OF THE BREAD

### DISTRIBUTION OF THE CUP

(Members and friends of the congregation are encouraged to partake of the elements in unison. The pastor will indicate the time.)

**\*RECESSIONAL HYMN** #357 *The Days Are Surely Coming*

**CHORAL BENEDICTION** *May the Lord Watch Over You*

## BENEDICTION

**POSTLUDE** *Come, Ye Thankful People, Come* arr. McDonald

\*Asterisk denotes standing if you are able. +The communion bread is gluten-free.

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Greeting at the 9:15 a.m. worship service is **Barbara Gatewood**. Greeting at the south entrance for the 10:30 a.m. service are **Norm & Mary Alice Schlesener and Norma Moore**.

The ushers at the 9:15 a.m. service are: **Al Welch, Doug Tippin, Nancy Habluetzel and David West**. Ushering at the 10:30 a.m. service for the month of November are: **Tamera Garibay, Carolyn Mayo & Mike Mayo, Lawrence & Cinda Vogel, Linda Couch, John & Shirley Shimp, Charlie & Kate Gillum**.

Today's acolyte is **Talon Huff**.

We have two lovely floral arrangements this morning. The one on the right is given by **Jon & Rae Anderson** in celebration of their 30th wedding anniversary. The arrangement on the left is from **Byron & Carolyn Alexander** in celebration of their 59th anniversary! Congratulations to all!

**Special Music** next week will feature "The Church Ladies."

Cover art: "The Meeting of Mary and Elisabeth" by Carol Heinrich Bloch.

*Personal hearing devices are available. Please inquire of an usher.  
An excellent nursery and cry room are available. Please inquire of an usher.*

*We respectfully request all electronics be silenced during worship.*