

# ORDER OF WORSHIP

November 28, 2021 | 11:00 AM

## First Sunday of Advent

The Chiming of the Hour

The Welcome & Announcements..... Mrs. Mary Lou Jarrell

The Cross and Flame Come to the Altar

The Prelude: “*Prepare the Royal Highway*” ..... Wilbur Held

\*The Hymn of Celebration: “*Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus*” ..... No. 196

\*The Affirmation of Faith: “Let Us Unite in the Historic Confession of the Christian Church”

*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 Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at 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 Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.*

\*The Gloria Patri

*Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen.*

The Lighting of the Advent Wreath ..... Bret & Katherine Coffman family

**Congregational Response: O come, O come Emanuel, 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.**

The Pastoral Prayer with The Lord’s Prayer ..... Mrs. Mary Lou Jarrell

\*The Hymn of Preparation: “*Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates*” ..... No. 213

The Leader: “Let Us Worship God with His Tithes and Our Offerings”

The Offertory Prayer

The Offertory: “*Oh, Come, Oh, Come, Emmanuel*” ..... J. Wayne Kerr

\*The Doxology

***Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise Him, all creatures here below: praise Him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.***

\*The Scripture Lesson: Luke 19:28-40 and Luke 21:34-36 ..... Pew Bible, pages 854 and 857

Leader: The Word of God for the People of God.

**Congregational Response: Thanks be to God.**

\*The Passing of the Peace

Leader: The Peace of Christ be with you.

**Congregational Response: And also with you.**

The Registration of Attendance

\*The Welcome to St. Paul and Recognition of our Guests

*(As the children come down for their sermon, please take this time to greet those around you.)*

The Children’s Moment..... Rev. Dr. Buddy Cooper, Jr.

***(Immediately following the Children’s Moment, children ages K4- 2nd graders are invited to go to Children’s Church; children 3 and younger are taken to the nursery by parents.)***

The Anthem: “*People, Look East*” ..... E. Butler

The Sermon: “**There Is Only One Time That Is On Time. Every Other Time Is Early or Late**” .... Rev. Dr. Buddy Cooper, Jr.

\*The Hymn of Consecration: “*Hail to the Lord’s Anointed*” ..... No. 203

\*The Flame Goes Before Us into the World

\*The Benediction

\*The Postlude: “*From Heaven Came the Angels Bright*” ..... J. S. Bach

**Sunday, November 28, 2021**

**Traditional Worship at 8:30AM – Illges Chapel/M250**

**Traditional Worship at 11:00AM – Sanctuary/M260**  
([live.spumccolumbus.com](http://live.spumccolumbus.com))

**Contemporary Worship at 11:00AM - Fellowship Hall/M220**

**“THERE IS ONLY ONE TIME THAT IS ON TIME.  
EVERY OTHER TIME IS EARLY OR LATE”**

**LUKE 19:28-40 AND LUKE 21:34-36 (NRSV)**

**LUKE 19:28-40**

**V<sup>28</sup>** After Jesus had said this, he went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem. **V<sup>29</sup>** When he had come near Bethphage and Bethany, at the place called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of the disciples, **V<sup>30</sup>** “ saying, “Go into the village ahead of you, and as you enter it you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden. Untie it and bring it here. **V<sup>31</sup>** If anyone asks you, ‘Why are you untying it?’ just say this, ‘The Lord needs it.’” **V<sup>32</sup>** So those who were sent departed and found it as he had told them. **V<sup>33</sup>** As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, “Why are you untying the colt?” **V<sup>34</sup>** They said, “The Lord needs it.” **V<sup>35</sup>** Then they brought it to Jesus; and after throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it. **V<sup>36</sup>** As he rode along, people kept spreading their cloaks on the road. **V<sup>37</sup>** As he was now approaching the path down from the Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to praise God joyfully with a loud voice for all the deeds of power that they had seen, **V<sup>38</sup>** saying, “Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven, and glory in the highest heaven!” **V<sup>39</sup>** Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, “Teacher, order your disciples to stop.” **V<sup>40</sup>** He answered, “I tell you, if these were silent, the stones would shout out.”

**LUKE 21:34-36**

**V<sup>34</sup>** “Be on guard so that your hearts are not weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and the worries of this life, and that day does not catch you unexpectedly, **V<sup>35</sup>** like a trap. For it will come upon all who live on the face of the whole earth. **V<sup>36</sup>** Be alert at all times, praying that you may have the strength to escape all these things that will take place, and to stand before the Son of Man.”



## A WORD FROM SHANE

During the busiest time of the year, I ponder if there is a better way to spend our time. Asking this question, I have to admit, I love the Christmas season. I like the parties, the food, the music, the fellowship, the cold weather, decorations, and everything that is associated with Advent. Yet there is part of me that believes we fill our schedules with multiple events so we can avoid other things. In the spirit of Christmas and all that the season entails, we feel compelled to do everything. Perhaps then, we would be mentally and physically exhausted to the point we fall into bed and don't have to worry about those things we constantly want to avoid. Unfortunately, there are times that we do that and at what cost?

Advent beckons us to wait, watch, and discern the work of God in Christ Jesus. In our impatience, we abhor waiting. Nevertheless, when we wait, things are normally quiet, and sometimes we are alone where we can't run from the things we long to avoid. However, the work of God's Spirit will always focus on the areas that need to be redeemed, rescued, or repaired. What is needed is a willingness to allow the work of God to continue which often requires a willingness to wait, to sit quietly, and to reflect.

During this season make it a goal to allow time for the Holy Spirit to work. Give energy and room to sitting, resting, and reflecting on what God wants to do inside of you. There will always be "something to do," but without giving room to God's Spirit, we can't be what God wants us to be.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Shane".

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# Grow Your



## FELLOWSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

### FAMILY NIGHT SUPPER **FAIT**

Wednesday, December 1 - **Dinner at 6:00 p.m.** in the Fellowship Hall (M220)

**Reservations:** Call the Church Office (706.327.7419) or go online to - [www.spumccolumbus.com/supper/](http://www.spumccolumbus.com/supper/).

(Please make or cancel standing reservations by noon Tuesday.) **Meal prices:** Ages 10 and up=\$8; ages 3-9=\$4; and kids under 3 dine for free. Family max is \$30. **Menu:** Oven Roasted BBQ Chicken, Mac & Cheese, Broccoli, Dinner Rolls, Super Salad Bar with Grilled Chicken and all the Fixings, and Assorted Desserts.

## ADVENT GIVES OPPORTUNITIES

### ADVENT GIVES IS BACK! **FAIT**

Can you believe it's almost time for Advent? There are multiple ways to give during this season - please check out the list found in your bulletin or around the church and sign up for those which work with your schedule. If you would like to participate but can't make it to any of the events (Messengers of Love, Blood Drive, Christmas Cheer, Safehouse Christmas Dinner or to deliver the bags for Share the Joy), there is still another opportunity! We need your help gathering the items needed for the goody bags for our First Responders in "Share the Joy". Please bring any donations of granola bars, chocolate candies, nuts, chewing gum, snack cakes and crackers to the church office no later than Friday, December 3rd. Thank you!

### "SOCKS FULL OF CHANGE FOR UKRAINE" **FAITH**

Our Advent Mission Project this year challenges our boys and girls, ages 3 years up to 6<sup>th</sup> Grade, to fill Christmas stockings full of loose change to help purchase supplies and gifts for the orphanages St. Paul supports in Ukraine. For some friendly competition, this is a contest between the boys and the girls to see who can collect the most, with the winners being served first at a Sunday School pizza party for all of the children in January 2022. Help us plant the seeds for charitable hearts in our little ones here, as we help to provide for our little ones in the orphanages in Ukraine.

### POINSETTIAS FOR SALE **FAH**

Poinsettias will be placed in the chapel and sanctuary during the month of December. You can purchase these plants in memory or honor of a loved one or special friend. We will print these gift acknowledgment inserts in the worship bulletins on Sunday, December 19 and Christmas Eve worship services. The cost is \$12 each with no max...buy as many as you want! Sign-up sheets are available in the worship bulletins during service, narthex, vestibule, and Church Office. Please make checks payable to the St. Paul Altar Guild, earmarked for Poinsettias.



#### Sunday, 12/12:

\*Advent Gives - Blood Drive

\*"Lessons in Carols" at the 11 a.m.  
Traditional Worship Service

\*Happy Birthday Jesus Party

#### Wednesday, 12/15:

\*FNS - Christmas meal and carols

\*Advent Gives - St. Paul Christmas  
Cheer (deliver meals)

#### Sunday, 12/19:

\*Regular worship services  
\*SPY Christmas Party

#### Tuesday, 12/21:

\*Advent Gives - SafeHouse  
Christmas Dinner

#### Friday, 12/24: Christmas Eve

\*Candlelight Services with  
Communion at -  
**12:00 Noon (Sanctuary)**  
**4:00 p.m. (Sanctuary)**  
**6:00 p.m. (Sanctuary)**

\*Advent Gives - Share the Joy  
(deliver goody bags)

#### Saturday, 12/25:

**Christmas Day**  
\*CHURCH CLOSED

#### Sunday, 12/26:

\*No SS for all ages  
\*Biscuits & Fellowship at 10 a.m.  
\*One Worship Service at 11 a.m.  
in the Sanctuary



#### Thursday, 12/2:

\*REAL - Meet at Highland Hall  
at 6:30 p.m. (RSVP to Grace  
Bailey)

#### Sunday, 12/5:

\*Advent Gives - Messengers of  
Love (deliver poinsettias)

# CHILDREN & YOUTH MINISTRIES

## ST. PAUL PRESCHOOL

Director: Nan Konze (706)327-7452

Email: [nan@stpaulunitedmethodist.com](mailto:nan@stpaulunitedmethodist.com)

*"If you think our hands are full, you should see our hearts."*

Never worry about the size of your Christmas tree - in the eyes of a child, they are all 35 feet tall. **F A I T H**

## CHILDREN'S EDUCATION

Interim Director: Grace Bailey (706.327.7419 x 207)

Email: [grace@stpaulunitedmethodist.com](mailto:grace@stpaulunitedmethodist.com)

\* Advent is here and that means two things. First, it means it's time to collect money for "Socks Full of Change for Ukraine" and second, it means "game on." It's St. Paul tradition for the Boys and Girls to compete in this Advent project. The winners will bask in the glow of victory and will be served pizza by the losers during our January Pizza Party. Get busy collecting that spare change and bring it with you to Sunday School!

**F A I T H**

\* Join us for a **Happy Birthday Jesus Party** on December 12<sup>th</sup>! Children ages 3 through 2nd grade are invited for a fun and exciting time including crafts, yummy treats and a movie about the birth of Jesus! The party will take place during Sunday School and into Children's Church. All the fun will be in room M152 in the main church building. Friends coming straight from church will be escorted to the party to join in! **F A I T H**

## ST. PAUL YOUTH MINISTRY

Directors: Laura Marvets & Logan Ogletree (706.327.7419 x 216)

Email: [spy@stpaulunitedmethodist.com](mailto:spy@stpaulunitedmethodist.com)

Website: [youth.spumccolumbus.com](http://youth.spumccolumbus.com)

Hey SPY! We hope you've had a marvelous Thanksgiving break filled with a lot of laughs and love! Tonight we are having SPY UNITY NIGHT from 5:30 - 7:30 p.m. at the SPY House. Bring your friends, your Bible, and \$1 for snack supper. We look forward to seeing you tonight! **F A I**

## CHILDREN'S MUSIC MINISTRY

Director: Wayne Martz (706.327.7419 x 211)

Email: [waynemartz@gmail.com](mailto:waynemartz@gmail.com)

The children's choirs will meet for rehearsal this Sunday, November 28<sup>th</sup>. Don't forget to bring your \$1 for snack supper at 5:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. See you Sunday evening! **F A I T**

## THE WEEK AHEAD:

### SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 28:

8:30 AM	Traditional Worship (M250)
10:00 AM	Bridges Class (M235)
10:00 AM	College/Young Adult Class (Y209)
10:00 AM	Confirmation Class (Y203)
10:00 AM	Library Class (M241)
10:00 AM	New Covenant Class (Y101)
10:00 AM	Seekers Class (M234)
10:00 AM	Welcome-In Class (Y104)
10:00 AM	Wesley-Miller-Wilson Class (M232)
10:00 AM	Wildwood Class (M150)
10:00 AM	SPY Class (Y206)
11:00 AM	Contemporary Worship (M220)
11:00 AM	Traditional Worship (M260)
	<b>(live.spumccolumbus.com)</b>
3:30 PM	Boy Scouts Meeting (M230)
5:00 PM	Carol Choir Rehearsal (M270)
5:30 PM	SPY UNITY NIGHT (Youth Building)
5:30 PM	Snack Supper for Children & Youth
	Activity Participants (Fellowship Hall/M220)
6:00 PM	Covenant Choir Rehearsal (M270)

### MONDAY, NOVEMBER 29:

1:30 PM	Staff Meeting (Conference Room)
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### TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 30:

10:00 AM	Tuesday Morning Bible Study (M232)
	<b>(live.spumccolumbus.com)</b>
11:00 AM	Grace Bible Study (M234)
4:00 PM	Matthew Bible Study via Phone
	(DIAL 205.825.9484)

### WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 1:

5:00 PM	Adult Handbell Choir Rehearsal (M270)
6:00 PM	Family Night Supper (M220)
6:30 PM	FNS Bible Study (M220)
6:30 PM	SPY Midweek Bible Study (Y206)
7:00 PM	Chancel Choir Rehearsal (M270)

### THURSDAY, DECEMBER 2:

8:15 AM	CHS Praying Moms Group (M214)
9:30 AM	Preschool Moms' Bible Study (M234)
5:30 PM	The Ridge Women's Ministry (M220)
6:30 PM	REAL Women's Ministry (Off Campus)

### FRIDAY, DECEMBER 3:

6:30 AM	Friday Bible Study (M232)
12 Noon	Stitchers' Group (M234)

### SATURDAY, DECEMBER 4:

10:00 AM	Praise Band Rehearsal (M220)
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St. Paul Preschool



## SERMON NOTES

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## JUST FOR THE RECORD...

Seasons are changing - what about your contact info? Have any of your adult children left the house in the last year (or decade)? Please help us keep our database as accurate as possible by either making the edits yourself or calling the Church Office. Reach out to Mary Lou Jarrell by email to [marylou@stpaulunitedmethodist.com](mailto:marylou@stpaulunitedmethodist.com) or call 706-327-7419 ext. 225 with your questions. Thank you!

## ADVENT SERMONS

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 SERMON TITLE:  
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SCRIPTURE LESSON: LUKE 19:28-40 AND LUKE 21:34-36

**11AM CONTEMPORARY SERVICE (M220)**  
 LEADER: REV. DR. SHANE GREEN  
 SERMON TITLE:

**"COUNTDOWN TO CHRISTMAS - 27 DAYS!"**  
 SCRIPTURE LESSON: ISAIAH 9:2-7



## FLOWER DEDICATIONS

**THE FLOWERS ON THE SANCTUARY ALTAR TODAY** are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of **DR. JOE & THEA CHASTAIN IN CELEBRATION OF THEIR WEDDING ANNIVERSARY** by their children, Eric, Mark, and Joy Chastain.

## SYMPATHY NOTES

**THE FAMILY OF CHRIST AT ST. PAUL** extends our Christian love and sympathy to:

\* **Betty Higgs (Mike) and family** in the death of her sister, *Martha Jean Cormican* of Brunswick, Georgia, on November 19, 2021.

\* **Carlos & Rebecca Westerman and family** in the death of their son, *Paul Westerman*, on November 19, 2021.

## MEMORIALS/HONORARIUMS

**Media Ministry Fund** in honor of **REV. DR. SHANE GREEN AND REV. JOHN FUGH, JR.** by Robert David.

## SERVING THIS WEEK

### USHERS:

**(8:30)** Ken Crumpler, Trey Carmack, Stan Copelan  
**(11:00)** Ben Cheek (lead usher), Will Cliatt, Wade Cliatt, Ron Daniel, Ryan Sheffield, Paul Amos

### ALTAR GUILD:

Betty Roberts, Mary Lu Lampton, Joyce Johnson, Mimi Copelan

### ACOLYTES:

**(11:00)** Wynn Beck, Louise Gudger  
 Helper: Kristen Campbell

### CROSS BEARER:

(11:00) Alex Burgin

## FAITH & LOVE STEWARDSHIP 2021

Sunday School Studies (In-person & Online)	171
Combined A.M. Worship (In-person & Online)	460
Needs to Date	\$1,942,886
Receipts Last Week	\$23,133
Receipts to Date	\$1,246,741

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