

**ORDER FOR THE  
WORSHIP OF GOD**

8:00, 9:30, and 11:00 a.m.

*Third Sunday of Advent*

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*To all who are spiritually weary and seek rest;  
to all who mourn and long for comfort;  
to all who struggle and desire victory;  
to all who sin and need a Savior;  
to all who are strangers and want fellowship;  
to all who hunger and thirst after righteousness;  
and to all who will come, this church opens wide her doors  
and offers welcome in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.*

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**Welcome and Announcements**

The Rev. Ron Williams 8:00  
The Rev. Mark Davis 9:30/11:00

**Prelude**

8:00

“Sleepers, Awake!”  
Stephen Nielson, *piano*

*J. S. Bach/F. Busoni*

9:30/11:00

“O Come, All Ye Faithful”  
Dr. Nathan Davy, *organ*

*David Blackwell*

**\*Call to Worship**

Mr. Williams 8:00  
Mr. Davis 9:30/11:00

Minister: Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf unstopped; then shall the lame man leap like a deer, and the tongue of the mute sing for joy.

**People: For waters break forth in the wilderness, and streams in the desert;**

Minister: For to us Child is born, to us a Son is given;

**People: and the government shall be upon His shoulder, and His name shall be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.**

Isaiah 35:5-6; 9:6



1. Good Christ-ian men, re - joice, \_\_\_with heart and soul and voice;\_\_\_ give ye heed to
2. Good Christ-ian men, re - joice, \_\_\_with heart and soul and voice;\_\_\_ now ye hear of
3. Good Christ-ian men, re - joice, \_\_\_with heart and soul and voice;\_\_\_ now ye need not



what we say: Je-sus Christ is born to-day; earth and heav'n be - fore Him bow, and end-less bliss: Je-sus Christ was born for this! He hath o-pened heav-en's door, and fear the grave: Je-sus Christ was born to save! Calls you one and calls you all to



He is in the man-ger now. Christ is born to - day!\_\_\_ Christ is born to-day! man is blest for - ev - er - more. Christ was born for this!\_\_\_ Christ was born for this! gain His ev - er - last-ing hall. Christ was born to save!\_\_\_ Christ was born to save!

\*Prayer of Adoration

\*Profession of Faith

The Rev. Dr. Pete Deison

**We believe in one God,  
 the Father Almighty,  
 Maker of heaven and earth,  
 of all things visible and invisible.**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ,  
 the only-begotten Son of God,  
 begotten of His Father before all worlds,  
 God of God, Light of Light,  
 very God of very God, begotten, not made,  
 being of one substance with the Father;  
 by whom all things were made;  
 who for us and for our salvation came down from heaven,  
 and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary,  
 and was made man.**

*from the Nicene Creed, 325 A.D.*



1. What Child is this, Who, laid to rest, on Ma - ry's lap — is  
2. Why lies He in such mean es - tate, where ox and ass — are  
3. So bring Him in - cense, gold, and myrrh; come peas - ant, king, to



sleep - ing? Whom an - gels greet with an - thems sweet, while  
feed - ing? Good Chris - tian, fear: for sin - ners here the  
own Him; the King of kings sal - va - tion brings, let



shep - herds watch are keep - ing? This, this is  
si - lent Word is plead - ing. Nails, spear, shall  
lov - ing hearts en - throne Him. Raise, raise the



Christ the King, whom shep - herds guard and an - gels sing:  
pierce Him through; the cross be borne for me, for you:  
song on high, the vir - gin sings her lul - la - by:



haste, haste, to bring Him laud, the babe, the Son of Mar - y.  
hail, hail the Word made flesh, the babe, the Son of Mar - y.  
joy, joy for Christ is born, the babe, the Son of Mar - y.

**Public Confession of Sin**

Dr. Deison

O God, in the beginning You spoke,  
and creation was born, the object of Your loving care.  
In the fullness of time You spoke,  
and the Word became flesh, Jesus, gift of Your love.  
We wonder at the miracle of creation;  
we stand in awe before the mystery of the incarnation.  
Forgive us earthbound creatures, feeble in faith,  
empty of hope, lacking in love.  
We wait upon You with ready hearts, O God,  
through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

**Silent Confession**

## Words of Assurance and Pardon of the Gospel

In Him was life, and the life was the light of men. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it. John 1.4-5

Friends, believe the good news of the Gospel: in Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

## Prayer of Intercession/Offertory Prayer

Dr. Deison

*In addition to giving via passed offering plates, you are also welcome to give online at [pcpc.org/give](http://pcpc.org/give) or text "give" to 214-997-9973.*

## Musical Offering

8:00 "Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence" PICARDY  
Mr. Nielson, piano arr. S. Nielson

9:30/11:00 "The Manger of Bethlehem" Rob Gardner  
Alicia Iwema, solo • Dr. Davy, piano

## \*The Scripture Reading: Daniel 9.24-27

Mr. Williams 8:00  
Mr. Davis 9:30/11:00

*"Seventy weeks are decreed about your people and your holy city, to finish the transgression, to put an end to sin, and to atone for iniquity, to bring in everlasting righteousness, to seal both vision and prophet, and to anoint a most holy place.*

<sup>25</sup> *Know therefore and understand that from the going out of the word to restore and build Jerusalem to the coming of an anointed one, a prince, there shall be seven weeks. Then for sixty-two weeks it shall be built again with squares and moat, but in a troubled time.*

<sup>26</sup> *And after the sixty-two weeks, an anointed one shall be cut off and shall have nothing. And the people of the prince who is to come shall destroy the city and the sanctuary. Its end shall come with a flood, and to the end there shall be war. Desolations are decreed.*

<sup>27</sup> *And he shall make a strong covenant with many for one week, and for half of the week he shall put an end to sacrifice and offering. And on the wing of abominations shall come one who makes desolate, until the decreed end is poured out on the desolator."*

**The Sermon**

“What vs. When—  
A Long Faithfulness Toward Your Final Hope”

Mr. Williams 8:00  
Mr. Davis 9:30/11:00

*Worshippers at 9:30 and 11:00, please continue at the closing hymn.*

**\*The Great Thanksgiving 8:00**

Minister: The Lord be with you.

**People: And with your spirit.**

Minister: Lift up your hearts!

**People: We lift them up to the Lord!**

Minister: Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

**People: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

Minister: It is right and good and a joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks unto You, O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty, Everlasting God.

**People: Therefore, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify Your glorious Name; evermore praising You, and singing:**

Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho-ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,  
 heav'n and earth are full of Your glo-ry.  
 Ho-san-na in the high-est. Ho-san-na in the high-est.

**\*The Words of Institution 8:00**

**Communion 8:00**

*Please come forward down the center aisle, row by row. After receiving the elements packet from the elder, please return to your seat via the side aisle with the packet. After everyone has been served, you will be instructed by the pastor and all will partake together.*

**\*Closing Carol**

**“God Rest Ye Merry, Gentlemen”**

*GOD REST YE MERRY*



1. God rest ye mer - ry, gen - tle - men, Let noth - ing  
2. From God our heav'n - ly Fa - ther A bless - ed  
3. “Fear not, then,” said the an - gel, “Let noth - ing  
4. Now to the Lord sing prais - es, All you with -



you dis - may, Re - mem - ber Christ our Sav - ior Was  
an - gel came; And un - to cer - tain shep - herds Brought  
you af - fright, This day is born a Sav - ior Of  
in this place, And with true love and broth - er - hood Each



born on Christ - mas day; To save us all from  
ti - dings of the same; How that in Beth - le -  
a pure Vir - gin bright, To free all those who  
oth - er now em - brace; This ho - ly tide of



Sa - tan's pow'r When we were gone a - stray.  
hem was born The Son of God by name.  
trust in Him From Sa - tan's pow'r and might.”  
Christ - mas All oth - ers doth de - face.

*Refrain*



O — ti - dings of com - fort and joy, Com - fort and



joy; O — ti - dings of com - fort and joy!

**\*The Benediction**

Minister: Arise, shine, for your light has come, and the glory of the LORD has risen upon you.

Isaiah 60.1

People: **Thanks be to God! Amen.**

## Postlude

8:00

“Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus”  
Mr. Nielson, *piano*

*HYFRYDOL*  
*arr. S. Nielson*

9:30/11:00

“Il est né, le divin Enfant”  
Dr. Davy, *organ*

*Denis Bédard*

*\*Please stand if you are able.*



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## **SERMON NOTES**

Daniel 9.24-27

“What vs. When—  
A Long Faithfulness Toward Your Final Hope”

## DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

*The following questions help us dialog with the sermon, music, and liturgy in this morning's worship service. Together, these elements provide space for reflection and prayer during personal devotions, group studies, and family worship.*

1. Why does God give us His Word?
2. How are we to read apocalyptic portions of Scripture?
3. What is the clearest teaching of this prophecy?
4. What is the difference between focusing on the "What" vs. the "When"?
5. What encouragement can we receive from this prophecy?
6. How might this prophecy impact your life today

# Highlights

**DECEMBER 12, 2021**

## Connections Card

Thanks for joining us today! We would love to help you get plugged in at PCPC. Please scan the QR code and fill out our Connections Card, so we can help you take your next step. We have wonderful community and ministry opportunities for everyone.

[connect@pcpc.org](mailto:connect@pcpc.org)



## Advent & Christmas Daily Prayer Guide

Join us wherever you find yourself over Advent and Christmas as we read and pray together. Available on the PCPC app.

## Advent Memorial Service

*Wednesday, December 15*

5:30 P.M. | CHAPEL

This service offers an opportunity for those grieving the loss of loved ones to remember them while worshipping through prayer, song, and the reading of God's Word.

[pcpc.org/advent](http://pcpc.org/advent)

## Christmas Eve Services

*Friday, December 24*

4:00 & 8:00 P.M. | SANCTUARY

All of the Advent season points toward this beautiful and glorious event we celebrate on Christmas Eve — the birth of our Savior. Join us for our special Family Service at 4:00 p.m. or our Evening Service at 8:00 p.m. Pickup invite cards to give out to family and friends.

[pcpc.org/advent](http://pcpc.org/advent)

## Advent & Christmas Day of Prayer & Fasting

*Wednesdays*

During the Season of Advent we are going to set aside Wednesdays as a day of prayer and fasting. The Chapel will be available from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. each Wednesday.

[pcpc.org/prayer-fasting](http://pcpc.org/prayer-fasting)

## WinterGrace: The Grace of God's Word

*January 30-31*

WinterGrace is a short series of worship services that renew our hearts in a key theme of God's grace. This year, our theme will be, "The Grace of God's Word," and our guest preacher will be Dr. Bryan Chapell, former President of Covenant Theological Seminary and current Stated Clerk of the PCA. Please register for dinner and childcare.

[pcpc.org/wintergrace](http://pcpc.org/wintergrace)

## Year-End Giving

In order to comply with IRS regulations, Friday, Dec. 31, is the deadline for donations to be receipted for 2021. Other than offerings given in worship or online, you may mail checks postmarked by Friday, Dec. 31.

The offices will be closed from Dec. 24 through Jan. 2, but donations can be hand-delivered to the security guard at the south entrance from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekdays when the church offices are closed for the holidays.

For stock donation instructions, contact Cheli Conejo. Please note that mutual fund donations can take up to one month to process. Thank you for your generosity in supporting all that God is doing at PCPC.

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## GENERAL FUND

2021/2022 Operating Budget	\$14,200,000
July 1, 2021-Dec 5, 2021 Budget	\$5,227,210
July 1, 2021-Dec 5, 2021 Giving	\$5,133,076
Budget Variance	-\$94,134