



Service for the Lord's Day

November 28, 2021 11:00 a.m.

1st Sunday of Advent



New to Hunter? Here's some information to help you feel at home. Where you see asterisks in the bulletin, you're invited to stand. When we pass the peace, you're invited to greet those around you with a joyful sign of Christ's peace. We offer a nursery for newborns through 3-year-olds. Thank you for visiting Hunter. We're glad you're here! Before you leave, please place a welcome card in the offering plate.

*Hymn 67

"My Song Forever Shall Record"

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*Charge & Benediction

*Hymn 561

"Amen"

AMEN

Postlude

Toccata on "Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus"

arr. Joel Raney

Depart in Peace

*Please stand as you are able.

Household Prayer: Faithful God, your promised stand unshaken through all generations. Renew us in hope, that we may be awake and alert as we watch for the glorious return of Jesus Christ, our judge and Savior, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Sunday Announcements

A warm welcome to all visitors. We are glad you chose to worship with us today.

Our liturgist today is: **Drew Gilbert**

Prayer Requests

Prayers for: Lori Taylor (a friend of Lynn Davis' who is battling cancer), Jim & Betty Scott, Susan Durant, Kriis Zeps and Rue Wallace.

This prayer request was posted by the community on the whiteboard in front of the church:

- Please pray for our homeless.

Remember to pick up your Advent Devotional! Today is the first Sunday of Advent. The Hunter Advent Devotional is available for your use during the Advent season. You may pick up your copy in the Narthex or in the hallway outside the Library.

A word from your Stewardship Committee: as we near the completion of our Stewardship campaign for 2022, we would like to express our thanks for your generous response through your pledges. The Stewardship Committee is working to finalize a rough draft of the 2022 budget to present to the Session for their discussion and approval at their December meeting. If you have not already completed your 2022 pledge card, the committee would appreciate your giving prayerful consideration to doing so, in order that they can finalize the 2022 proposed budget for presentation to the Session. Should you need a pledge card, they are available in the church narthex or by contacting the church office. Thank you.

REGARDING 2021 PLEDGES – FOR YOUR INFORMATION AND CONVENIENCE

As has been done for the past number of years, a letter will be mailed to all individuals who made pledges to the 2021 Hunter budget. This letter will contain the status of your 2021 pledge.

Throughout Advent you'll notice the decorations in the Sanctuary gradually changing. The Advent wreath in the front will guide us through the four Sundays before Christmas. On this first Sunday of Advent, the greenery in the windows symbolizes the righteous Branch from the line of David (Jeremiah 33:14-16). We see the angel Gabriel bringing Mary the news of her part in the story (Luke 1:26-38); we also see Joseph having his subsequent encounter with an angel, learning that he should have no qualms about marrying Mary (Matthew 1:18-25).

Save the Date! On Sunday 12th December, two special events will be taking place:

- 1) At the conclusion of the 11am worship service, we will move downstairs to the Fellowship Hall for a dedication of the kitchen renovations and to thank all who helped with the work.
- 2) Unfortunately, due to COVID-19 restrictions, we will be unable to hold our annual Christmas lunch. Instead (after the dedication) we will be distributing goody bags to the congregation. If you are unable to attend worship on that Sunday, your goody bag will be delivered.

We hope to assemble 60 goody bags to distribute to members and friends of the church. If you would like to provide some cookies, snacks or small Christmas ornaments for these bags, please contact Ruth Beattie at rebeat1@uky.edu or 859-421-2650.

If you would like to talk with Ray Mendenhall, he can be reached at 859-940-1735 or you can email him at: rwmend@gmail.com.

Thank you to those who shared in leading today's service: Hyunjin Kwak, Allen Fletcher, Drew Gilbert and Val Zeps.

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Kevin Eddy, Property Manager; Lynn Davis, Administrative Assistant.