



God Is with Us

Therefore the Lord himself will give you a
sign: The virgin will conceive and give birth
To a son, and will call him Immanuel.

Dr. Norman Vincent Peale said, "If, beginning this Christmas, you say to yourself 'God, through Jesus Christ, is with me' and repeat it daily through the long days and weeks, in happiness and discouragement, that is the greatest gift you can give the Christ Child." On this second Sunday of Advent, reflect on the miracle that God is here. God is with us!

How comforting to know that You are here. Praise You, Jesus!

*United Presbyterian Church
of
Plainfield, New Jersey*



December 8, 2019

11:00 AM

Youth Sunday

TO ALL THOSE WHO ENTER HERE, be thoughtful, be silent, be reverent.
Before the Service speak to God, during the Service let God speak to you, after the
Service speak to others.

THE GATHERING

PRELUDE *Waiting For A King*

Joe Martin

ADVENT CANDLE LIGHTING

OPENING HYMN GTG 88 *O Come, O Come, Emmanuel*

CALL TO WORSHIP

Can you imagine?

***The wolf lives with the lamb;
the leopard rests with the goat.***

Can you imagine?

***Knowledge of the Lord fills the land;
righteousness reigns o'er all the earth.***

*The Lord's light shines on a weary world—
illuminating possibility, beckoning us to hope.*

With peace in our hearts, let us worship God!

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy One,

*Christ is coming; your kingdom is
drawing near.*

We cannot remain unchanged.

*As we prepare the way for the Prince
of Peace,*

*help us abandon wayward wanderings
and return to faithful paths.*

*We have neglected to plead the case of
the poor,*

and ignored the needs of the afflicted.

*We have denied our part in systems
that oppress,*

and turned a blind eye toward injustice.

*Renew our minds and transform our hearts,
that our lives might bear the fruit of
compassion and care.*

*Baptize us with your Spirit,
and claim us again for your holy work,
until you come in glory. Amen.*

PERSONAL PRAYER OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

WELCOME / ANNOUNCEMENTS

PASSING THE PEACE

CHILDREN / YOUTH MESSAGE

Marcia Marsh-Hinds

THE WORD

NEW TESTAMENT READING	Romans 12:1-2	Page 196
	Romans 12:15-18	Page 197
NEW TESTAMENT READING	Philippians 4:4-8	Pages 242-243

***GLORIA PATRIA**

SERMON **Peace Exist Where Justice and Righteousness Reign**

Elder Allegra Hoots

THE RESPONSE

PRAYER REQUESTS

PRAYERS OF THE PASTOR AND PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

BRINGING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY Let There Be Peace on Earth Jill & Sy Miller

***DOXOLOGY (Hymn 606)**

*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.*

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION (Hymn 708)**

*We give Thee but Thine own, What e'er the gift may be;
All that we have is Thine alone, A trust, O Lord from Thee.*

THE SENDING

***PARTING HYMN GTG 384** Soon and Very Soon

*CHARGE & BENEDICTION

***CHORAL RESPONSE 599**

POSTLUDE Good Christian Friends Rejoices In-Dulce Jubilo

Assisting in today's Worship:

Liturgist: Youth Participation

WE WELCOME YOU IN JESUS' NAME! Let us come before the Lord our maker. And may God grant us the humility to be receptive to God's life changing grace.

Nursery Care is provided for infants and toddlers.

Again, thanks for coming out today!!! Large Print Bulletins
are available from an usher.

If you are interested in becoming a member of United Church, please see the pastor or an usher. You are invited to the Lind Room after worship for refreshments and conversation.

REMEMBER WITH YOUR PRAYERS, CARDS, AND CALLS

At Home: Ronn Daniels, Carl & Helen Foerster, Barbara Hyney,
Thelma Barnes, Fred Robinson.

Frank Klikus: BJ Klikus husband

Jamie Sweeney: Helen Foerster's cousin

Jean Neumann: Helen Forester's niece

John and Marianna Perry: Helen Foerster's brother and wife

Annette O'Connor: Jean Scott's sister

Phyllis Sennyuen: Jean Scott's sister

Brandon Williams: friend to George & Ginni Hansen

Nabielah Scott: Kevin Scott's wife

Zachary Robinson: Jean Scott's nephew

Lillian Willing: Michelle Wildridge's mother

Wendy Oldham: Pat Dawson's friend

Osquit Vanderstoop

Gail Stokes, and Izaiyh Stokes: Gail Stokes grandson

Sylvia Denson: Gail Stokes friend

John Zayatz, Gail Stokes friend

Larry Brown: Gail Stokes brother-in-law

Freda Lenzo: friend of Jeanne Ashanky

Charisse Payne & Family: Elder & Mrs. Davis, daughter: Cathedral

JoAnn Edwards, Lazarus Edwards: JoAnn Edwards's husband

Lazarus Edwards Jr.: JoAnn Edwards's son

**Prayers for our students: Neekah Hinds, Mobolaji Falowo,
Izaiyah Stokes and Gean Bernard.**

Prayers for peace and end to gun violence throughout our country.

U.S. Armed Forces in Afghanistan and citizens of these places.

People of Syria.

FROM OUR PRESBYTERY'S CALENDAR OF PRAYER:

The Presbyterian Publishing Corporation



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!!

12/10 Macy Robinson

12/13 Javin Scott

2019 PLEDGE CHECKS As we reach the end of 2019, the Stewardship Committee wishes to remind everyone that any pledge

received after December 30 regardless of the date on the check will be applied to your 2020 commitment. The Stewardship Committee.

CHAIRS OF COMMITTEES Vouchered expenses for 2019 must be placed in the Treasurer's mailbox no later than Monday, December 30.

THE UPPER ROOM booklets for January/February 2020 are available on the literature rack in the Narthex. If you wish to make a donation, please place \$1.00 in a pew envelope mark "literature" and place it in the offering plate. Thank you!

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PEACE

Embodying the peace of God, I create a peaceful world.

"Silent night, holy night! All is calm, all is bright." I know peace as I hear the first words of the beloved Christmas carol. The peace I feel wells up from the depths of my being, from a place of silence filled only with awareness of God. The peace of God refreshes and restores me each time I visit this inner sanctuary, replacing anything unlike itself.

My consciousness remains calm and bright as I return to the many activities of the day. As I embody peace, stress and tension transform into productive energy. Peace shows me there are possibilities for good in every situation and every relationship. Thoughts of peace, words of peace, and peaceful actions fill my day. I embody peace to help create peaceful world.

Those of steadfast mind you keep in peace—in peace because they trust in you. Isaiah 26:3

Sleep in Heavenly Peace

In peace I will lie down and sleep, for you alone, Lord, make me dwell in safety. –Psalm 4:8.

STAY WELL–RESTED this holiday season. Before you go to sleep pray the Lord's Prayer, followed by intercessions for others, petitions for yourself, and lastly, prayers of praise for the wondrous works of God.

Heavenly Father, fortify me with Your peace. Watch over me, bless my house and my loved ones. Help me rest in Your promise.

SCHEDULE: December 8 - 15, 2019

Sunday	11:00am	Worship Service
	12:30pm	Refreshments, Lind Room
	12:30pm	Deacons Meeting, Hansen Room
	7:30pm	A/A Meeting, Friendship Hall
Monday	7:00 pm	Boy Scouts, FH
Tuesday		
Wednesday	7:00pm	A/A Friendship Hall
Thursday		
Friday		
Saturday	6:30pm	A/A, Hansen Room

Sunday	10:00am	Adult Bible Study
	11:00am	Worship Service
	Noon	Refreshments, Lind Room
	7:30pm	A/A Friendship Hall

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