



Starkville Presbyterian Church PC (U.S.A.)

November 27, 2022
1st Sunday of Advent

Order of Worship

Welcome & Announcements

Prelude *Prepare the Way, O Zion* BEREDEN VÄG FÖR HERRAN

Introit *While We Are Waiting, Come* WAITING

Lighting of the Advent Wreath Susan Kuykendall

+Call to Worship

One: Let us go into the house of the Lord!

All: Let us meet God with joy!

One: God builds us up like a great city.

All: May peace be within our walls.

One: Let us seek the goodness of God;

All: let us go into the house of the Lord!

+Opening Hymn #93 *Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates* TRURO

+Call to Confession

This is the time for us to wake from sleep; salvation is near to us. Let us then lay aside the tatters of sin, and put on the armor of righteousness, asking our Savior for forgiveness.

+Prayer of Confession *Unison*

O God, we are steeped in a world of violence. War is one of the first things we learn, and we let it work its way into our lives. Your promises of peace sound like impossible dreams, and we become accustomed to cruelty. Forgive us. Wrest our weapons from our hands, and show us how beautiful life can be when You forge them into instruments of peace. (Moment of Silence)

+Assurance of Pardon

One: Beloved, know this. The God of Presence, the God of Transformation, the God of Peace, hears our prayers and gives us power to love.

All: Through Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! Thanks be to God!

Offering

Offertory *O Lord, How Shall I Meet You* VALET WILL ICH DIR GEBEN

+Doxology #606 *Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow* OLD HUNDREDTH

+Prayer of Thanksgiving

Special Music *For the Fruit of All Creation* arr. Jane Holstein

Prayer of Illumination

+Scripture Reading Matthew 1:18-25 (Pew Bible, p. 1)

+Affirmation of Faith (Printed sheet in hymnal rack) The Apostle's Creed

+Gloria Patri #581 *Glory Be to the Father* GLORIA PATRI

Sermon "Meeting at the Manger – Joseph" Rev. Ron McDougald

Prayer of the People and Lord's Prayer (**debts, debtors**)

+Sending Hymn #145 *What Child Is This* GREENSLEEVES
Cents-Ability Offering and Food Drive collection
(Please bring your offering to the front of the sanctuary.)

+Charge and Benediction

+Choral Response *Wait for the Lord* WAIT FOR THE LORD

+Postlude *Comfort, Comfort Now My People* GENEVAN 42

+ Stand if you are able

WELCOME to Starkville Presbyterian Church. We are grateful for your presence in worship this morning.

PRAYER LIST. Please keep the following in your prayers.

Lynn Black	Cassandra Boatman (M.D. Anderson)
Jimmy Dodd (Hip replacement)	Lawrence Clark
Molly Howard and family	Bill Johnson
Jetta Kuykendall	Peggy Raines (cancer)
Dan Ryder	Ellen Clark Sawyer (cancer)
Jane Hillen Smith (Test results)	Bill Swoope
George Taylor	Laura Thurmond (follow up treatments)
Jan Vaughn	

If you would like to add a request or remove one from the list, please contact Nancy Bryson (324-6320 or nancybryson68@gmail.com) or Rev. Ron McDougald (601-942-8040 or chaplain.mcdougald@gmail.com)

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Session

Rev. Ron McDougald, *Moderator*, chaplin.mcdougald@gmail.com

CLASS of 2022

Charles Bryson
Sara Green
Robert Green, Clerk

CLASS of 2023

CLASS of 2024

Pat Colwick
Susan Kuykendall

Interim Minister: Rev. Ron McDougald, chaplain.mcdougald@gmail.com

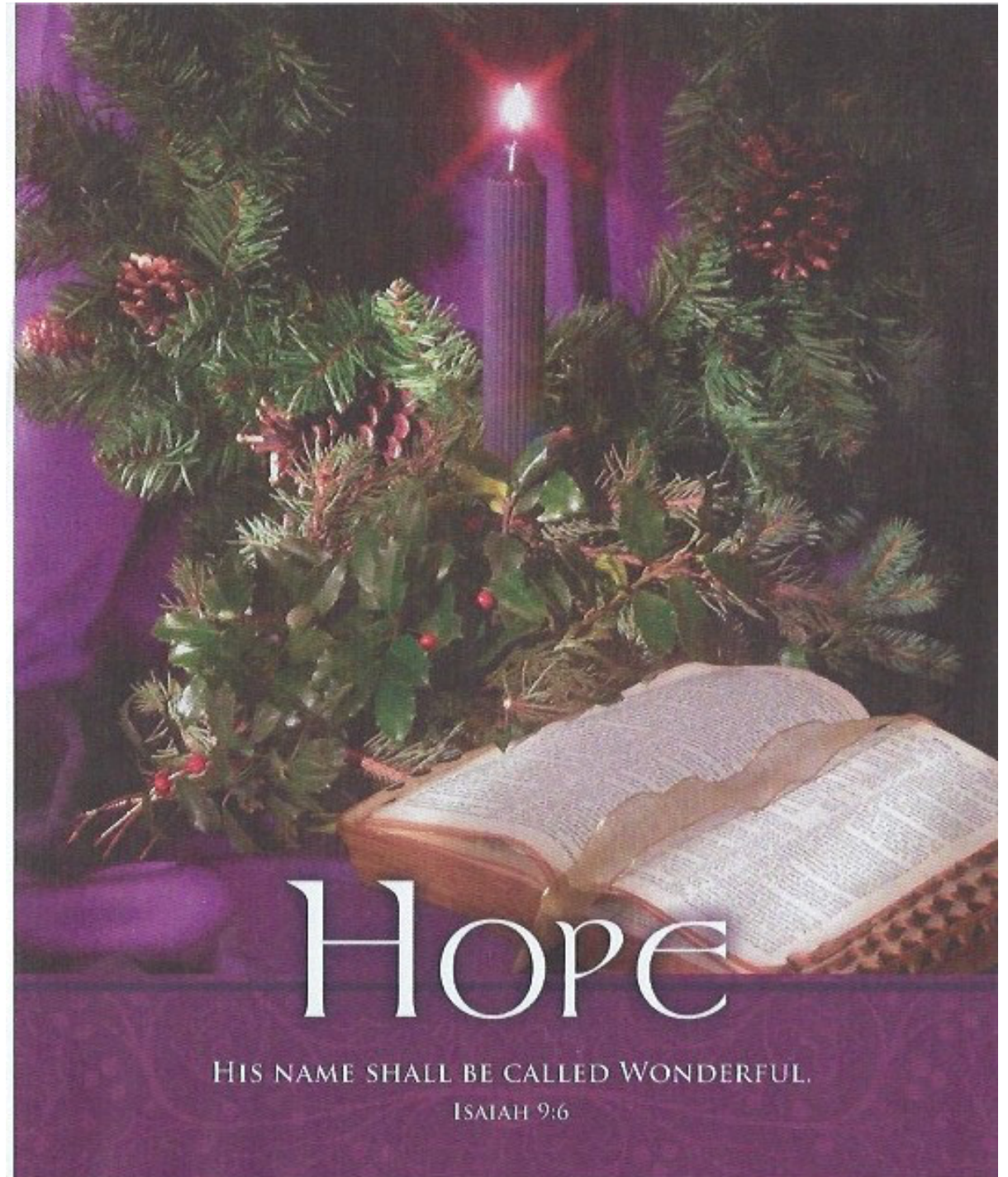
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CENTS-ABILITY (2¢-A-MEAL). The Cents-Ability Offering and Food Drive will be collected today during the last hymn.

CHOIR. Choir rehearsal will be on Wednesday at 6:00 p.m. at the church.

POINSETTIAS. If you would like to place a poinsettia in Honor or Memory of loved ones, please fill out the insert form. Cost will be \$15.00 per plant. Make checks payable to Starkville Presbyterian Church PC(USA), and place in the offering plate or mail to Pat Colwick, 1006 S. Montgomery St., Starkville, MS 39759. The poinsettias will be in place on Sunday, December 11th.

SALVATION ARMY. The Mission Committee is making plans to participate in the Salvation Army bell ringing season this year. Our date to ring the bell for the Salvation Army is Monday, December 5th from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. at the Pharmacy/Main Entrance of Wal Mart. A sign-up sheet is available.

STEWARDSHIP. Thanks to everyone who made pledges for the 2023 Operational Budget and the Capital Improvement Fund (CIF). As of last weekend, your pledges totaled about 92% of the 2023 Challenge Budget and \$10,000 for the CIF.

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