



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

November 28, 2021
1st Sunday of Advent

Order of Worship

Welcome & Announcements

Prelude *Now the Heavens Start to Whisper* JEFFERSON

Introit *Light One Candle to Watch for Messiah* TIF IN VELDELE

Lighting of the Advent Wreath McDougald Family

+Call to Worship

One: When will God's promise be fulfilled?

All: The days are surely coming.

One: When will we be saved?

All: The days are surely coming.

One: How will we know the signs to take place?

All: The days are surely coming when a branch from David shall come forth to execute justice and righteousness in the land.

One: What shall it be called?

All: The Lord is our righteousness.

+Opening Hymn #88 *O Come, O Come, Emmanuel* VENI EMMANUEL

+Prayer of Confession *Unison*

Coming Christ, You may not find us as You hoped. We've looked away from signs we do not wish to see. We've stopped listening to distress we do not wish to hear. We are numb to inconvenient truths. Keep us alert, O God, to the needs of our neighbors. Revive our hearts laden with compassion fatigue. Sharpen our minds clouded by worries. Sober our lives addicted to privilege. Show us the signs of Your coming, that we may stand before You, the Son of Man, in whose name we pray. (Moment of Silence)

+Assurance of Pardon

One: As sure as the fig tree blossoms, so sure is the salvation of God, poured out for the world in Jesus Christ our Lord. Believe the good news.

All: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

Children's Moment Charles Bryson

Offering
Offertory *Savior of the Nations, Come* NUN KOMM, DER HEIDEN HEILAND

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

+Prayer of Thanks

Special Music *My Soul Cries Out with a Joyful Shout* Rory Cooney

+Scripture Reading Luke 21:25–36

+Affirmation of Faith The Apostle's Creed

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

Sermon "Things That Are Near" Rev. Ron McDougald

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

+Sending Hymn #92 *While We Are Waiting, Come* WAITING (Cason)
Cents-Ability Offering collection
(Please bring your offering to the front of the sanctuary.)

+Charge and Benediction

+Choral Response *Prepare the Way of the Lord* PREPARE THE WAY

+Postlude *Prepare the Way, O Zion* BEREDEN VÄG FÖR HERRAN

Congregational Meeting

+ Stand if you are able

FROM THE SESSION. The Session voted to continue Sunday worship, with the wearing of masks as a personal choice. Resumption of meals will be delayed until January. Coffee will be available in the Fellowship Hall. The Session will review this action at their next stated meeting on December 2nd. If you have questions or feedback, please contact any member of the Session.

PRAYER LIST. Please keep the following in your prayers.

Michael and Tonya Adkins	Cheryl Askew (surgery & stroke)
Afghanistan Refugees	Jimmy Joe Buckley (Heart Rehab)
Roger Dishroom (heart cath)	David & Margaret Earnest (pain care)
Myrna Jorgensen (cancer)	Mike McLaughlin (test results)
Peggy Raines (cancer)	Thomas Richardson (cancer)
Bryan Vance (lung cancer)	

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)

(Printed Advent Picture of Bible and 1 candle)

HOPE

HIS NAME SHALL BE CALLED ...

PRINCE OF PEACE

Isaiah 9:6

Session

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

ELDER OF THE MONTH. The Elder of the Month for November is Charles Bryson.

ADVENT READERS. The Advent Readers for this morning are the McDougald Family.

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

STEWARDSHIP UPDATE. Currently \$70,800 has been pledged toward the 2022 Challenge Budget of \$76,877 and \$9,400 has been pledged to the CIF.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING. The Session has called for a Congregational Meeting for today, November 28th, following the worship service for the purpose of electing a Congregational Nominating Committee.

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 \$10.00 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. **Please respond ASAP.** The poinsettias will be in place by Sunday, December 12th.

RECEPTION PLANNING MEETING. There will be a meeting Monday, November 29th at 5:00 p.m., to plan a reception to be held after the Service of Dedication for our Church Building on December 12th.

CIRCLE. Circle will meet on Wednesday, December 1st at the Church at 4:45pm. The Bible Study is Lesson 3 of “What My Grandmothers Taught Me—Learning from the Women in Matthew’s Genealogy of Jesus” by Merryll Blair. Nancy Bryson is our leader this month.

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

DEDICATION SERVICE. Please mark your calendar for Sunday, December 12th for A Service of Dedication for our Church Building at 2:30 pm. Watch the bulletin and the church emails for more information!

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