

DECEMBER 8, 2019

2<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY OF ADVENT

CELEBRATING THE TRUE LIGHT OF THE WORLD

The Prelude arr. W. Held  
*He Whom Shepherds Once Came Praising*

The Call to Worship Rev. Carl Kalberkamp

The Hymn No. 198 *Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates*  
Stanzas 1 - 4

The Invocation Rev. Caleb Cangelosi

The Hymn No. 230 *Thou Who Wast Rich beyond All Splendor*

The Scripture Reading **Hebrews 1:1-13**  
Pew Bible Page 1001

The Offertory  
*Have You Seen the Newborn King?*  
The Sanctuary Choir; Jennifer Kimbrough, soloist

Have you seen the newborn king, born, born, born in a manger? Have you seen the newborn king, born today in Bethlehem? Come and see the newborn king! Born, born, born in a manger. The child of whom the angels sing! Born today in Bethlehem. Wise men journeyed just to see him! Born, born, born in a manger. A shining star that night did lead them! Born today in Bethlehem. Have you seen the newborn king? Have you seen the tiny baby? Glory, glory hallelujah! Come, see the tiny little baby! Have you seen the newborn king? Have you seen the little child born today in Bethlehem!

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The Doxology *God, All Nature Sings Thy Glory*

God of glory, power, mercy, all creation praises thee; we, thy creatures, would adore thee now and through eternity. Saved to magnify thy goodness, grant us strength to do thy will; with our acts as with our voices thy commandments to fulfill.

Children ages 2-5 may come forward for the Children's Message.  
Afterward, those in the 2-4 year-old classes are dismissed to Church Time.

The Hymn No. 214 *Angels We Have Heard on High*  
Stanza 1

The Children's Message Rev. Dean Williams

The Hymn No. 214 *Angels We Have Heard on High*  
Stanza 2 and 3

The Intercessory Prayer Ruling Elder Eddie Moran

The Scripture Reading **John 1:6-13**  
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The Sermon Rev. Williams

*The Gifts of Light and Life*

The Hymn of Response No. 195 *Joy to the World! The Lord Is Come*

The Benediction Rev. Cangelosi

The Postlude *Postlude on an English Carol* arr. G. Martin

ALL MY HEART THIS NIGHT REJOICES

All my heart this night rejoices as I hear far and near sweetest angel voices. "Christ is born," their choirs are singing till the air everywhere now with joy is ringing.

Forth today the Conqueror goeth, who the foe, sin and woe, death and hell, overthroweth. God is man, man to deliver; his dear Son now is one with our blood forever.

Shall we still dread God's displeasure, who, to save, freely gave his most cherished Treasure? To redeem us, he hath given his own Son from the throne of his might in heaven.

Hark! a voice from yonder manger, soft and sweet, doth entreat, "Flee from woe and danger. Brethren, from all ills that grieve you, you are freed; all you need I will surely give you."

EVENING WORSHIP

6:00 P.M.

We will worship our glorious God tonight as we sing, pray, and receive the word preached by Pastor Caleb. We are working through the Westminster Shorter Catechism and Scripture proofs (in the ESV) on Sunday evenings. Tonight we are on Westminster Shorter Catechism #53-55.

*Luke 2:8-20*

*Good News of Great Joy: The Christ is Born!"*

*The flowers in the sanctuary are given to the glory of God  
by John and Doreen Slater in loving memory of Michael John Slater.*

TO EVERYONE WHO VISITS WITH US THIS LORD'S DAY, we welcome you sincerely and from the heart. Grace to you and peace from God our Father through the Lord Jesus Christ.

WELCOME PEAR ORCHARD'S NEWEST MEMBERS

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WE ENCOURAGE YOUR YEAR-END SACRIFICIAL GIVING TO CHRIST'S CHURCH AS THE YEAR CLOSES: A large portion of the church's contributions are received in the last 2 months of the year and are annually needed to end the year fiscally sound as a church. Please remember that your tithes and offerings must be received by December 31. Sacrificial giving to the General Fund and to Missions is deeply encouraged by all as we model our Savior whose gifts to us are eternally priceless. We are equipped to handle gifts of stock also. Please prayerfully make Christ's Church the recipient of your heartfelt and generous giving.

OUR CHRISTMAS EVE COMMUNION SERVICE will be held on Tuesday, December 24, at 4:30 p.m. in the Multi-Purpose Building. There is a nursery for children 2 years and under in the nursery building.

CHRISTMAS EVE BENEVOLENCE OFFERING TO BE RECEIVED: As always at this service we will receive an offering that goes exclusively to our Deacon's mercy fund which enables your officers to meet many needs throughout the year for families needing assistance, both inside and outside our congregation. Your sacrificial support of this offering enables us to display joyfully the loving and merciful diaconal heart of our Savior Jesus.

OUR HEARTFELT SYMPATHY is extended to the families of Bill Alvis and Jean Teasley. Bill's father, Albert Lester Alvis, Jr., passed away on Saturday, November 30, 2019. Jean, widow of Harry, passed away on Tuesday, December 3, 2019.

OUR FIRST BAPTISM FOR THE NEW YEAR will be January 19, 2020. Please call the church office if you would like to get on the schedule (601-956-3283).

**ELF NIGHT:** Senior High students are invited to join us after Evening Worship tonight to eat dinner and watch Elf together at the Perritts!

**SONBEAMS & JAF MS WILL DELIVER CHRISTMAS PACKAGES** to families with special needs **this Tuesday**, December 10. Come volunteer with us in delivering gifts to our families. Please arrive at 5:30 p.m. for instructions. We will deliver from 6:00-8:00 p.m. We are now accepting donations for purchasing gifts for these families. If you would like to give, please make your checks payable to POPC and denote "Sonbeams/Christmas" on the memo line. Checks may be placed in the offering plate or given to John Kwasny. For more information, or to sign up to **help with deliveries**, please contact Daphne Clarke (601-594-3743).

**LADIES MONTHLY BIBLE STUDY CHRISTMAS GATHERING:** *Ruth* Circle will meet this Tuesday, December 10, at 6:30 p.m. in the home of Amy Hatchett (109 Blackburn Court, Madison). Please contact Amy Hatchett (832-4041) for directions.

**YOUTH CHRISTMAS PARTY:** All 7<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> graders are invited to our annual youth Christmas Party this Wednesday, December 11. We will meet in the Multi-Purpose Building from 5:30-7:30 p.m. for pancakes and hot chocolate. Wear your PJ's and bring a \$5 wrapped gift for the White Elephant exchange. There is a \$5 fee at the door for food. Our next Wednesday night together will be January 8.

**COLLEGE AND YOUNG ADULTS EVENTS:** All college students and young adults are invited to join us for a time of fellowship together after Sunday evening worship on December 15 at the Van Hooser's home at 7:15 p.m. Dinner will be provided! Please join us again Wednesday, December 18, for our College and Young Adult Christmas Party! Wear your tacky Christmas attire and join us for food, trivia and fellowship at the Van Hooser's home (313 Autumn Crest Drive, Ridgeland, 39157).

**THE MOSES' BASKET TEAM** would like to thank you for your donations towards the Boys' Home Project in Ukraine. We are now sending \$3000 towards finishing the remaining transition homes. Thank you for supporting this wonderful project that ministers to orphans!

**NEW PORTE COCHERE COMING SOON!** Your officers have approved the final design and construction of the new covered north entrance. Steel fabrication for the columns and roof has been ordered. Steel fabrication takes a month or more so we anticipate the new structure to be started shortly after the new year.

**YOUNG MARRIEDS FELLOWSHIP CHRISTMAS PARTY!** On Thursday, December 19, from 6:30-8:30 p.m. at the home of Michael and Mary Hope Bryant (117 Firecrest Drive, Brandon). No child care will be provided. Sign up to come and bring a dessert or appetizer at [tinyurl.com/youngmarrieds](http://tinyurl.com/youngmarrieds).

**CONGREGATIONAL MEETING CALLED FOR JANUARY 12, 2020**, to review and approve the General fund and Mission budgets, and to vote on officer candidates. Elder candidates are Neil Barnes and Newell Simrall, and Deacon candidates are Walt Lucas, Parker Reece, Tim Barnes, and Allan Edgar. The meeting will be held in the Sanctuary promptly at 10:00 am during the SS hour.

**CHRISTMAS SHOPPING IDEA!** Looking for a great Christmas gift? Purchase beautiful POPC cookbooks available for only \$13 each! Please visit [pearorchard.org/cookbook](http://pearorchard.org/cookbook) or you may contact Liz Taylor ([ltaylor@pearorchard.org](mailto:ltaylor@pearorchard.org)) for more information.

**MINISTERS: THE PEOPLE OF GOD**

REV. CARL H. KALBERKAMP, JR. ~ SENIOR PASTOR

REV. CALEB G. CANGELOSI ~ ASSOCIATE PASTOR

REV. DEAN WILLIAMS ~ ASSOCIATE PASTOR

**PEAR ORCHARD WEEK**

<p><b>Sunday, December 8</b>  <i>Shazam</i> and <i>Vittles</i> will resume in January</p> <p><b>Monday, December 9</b>            5:30 p.m. - Diaconate Meeting</p> <p><b>Tuesday, December 10</b>            5:30 p.m. - Joni &amp; Friends Christmas Deliveries            6:30 p.m. - <i>Ruth</i> Circle - home of Amy Hatchett</p> <p><b>Wednesday, December 11</b>            9:30 a.m. - Ladies Bible Study - Parlor</p>	<p><b>Wednesday.....cont.</b>            12 noon - 55+ Bible Study Lunch - Parlor            5:30 p.m. - Youth Christmas Party - MPB - Wear your PJ's!            6:00 p.m. - ESL            6:30 p.m. - Sanctuary Choir</p> <p><b>Thursday, December 12</b>            6:30 a.m. - Men's Prayer Breakfast</p>
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**SESSION**

Adam Adcock (2021)	Phil Ethridge (2023)	Bill Hatcliff (2021)
Ken Haynes (2019)	Jack Haynie (2021)	Brad Ingram (2023)
John Kwasny (2019)	Jason Miller (2019)	Will Montgomery (2019)
Eddie Moran (2021)	Steve Morris (2023)	John Perritt (2019)
Rod Russ (2020)	John Slater (2023)	Ken Smith (2022)
Ben Sones (2022)	Craig Stockmeier (2022)	Rob Waltzer (2023)
Tom Young (2019)		

**DIACONATE**

Michael Bryant (2020)	Bobby Bullock (2019)	Rob Hembree (2019)
Michael Johnson (2022)	Ron McMaster (2019)	Jamie Murphy (2022)
Stephen Shelt (2020)	Greg Sprow (2020)	Austin Stewart (2022)
Charlie Upton (2022)	Matt Walker (2019)	Jack Wilson (2020)
Seth Winchester (2020)		

Laura Herbison - Prayer Requests ([pray@pearorchard.org](mailto:pray@pearorchard.org)) (601-213-8444)

**PEAR ORCHARD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH STAFF**

Daniel Browne - Worship Team Leader	Adelle Johnson- Children's Ministry Assistant
Susie Cook - Organist	John Kwasny - Director of Discipleship Ministries
Daphne Clark - Sonbeams Director	Willie Lane - Day Porter
Jan Duran - Administrative Secretary	Edwin Lewis - Maintenance Director
Heatherly Edgar - Financial Administrator	Serena Lucas - Nursery Director
Rick Goodwin - Business Administrator	Scott Miller - Youth Ministry Assistant
Chris Hanson - Maintenance Assistant	Margaret Sprow - Music Director
Tammie Haynes - Women's Ministry Director	Dottie Stabler - Assistant Youth Director
Cathy Haynie - CCS Head of School	Liz Taylor - Media Communication Manager
Madeline Hogue - Youth Ministry Coordinator	Georgia Upshaw - Youth Ministry Coordinator
Wilson Van Hooser - Director of Youth Ministry	