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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Celebrating Luca and December Birthdays! Please join us in the Fellowship Hall after worship for a reception with coffee, desserts and more to celebrate the baptism of Luca Sohi as well as our December birthdays!

Christmas Carols and Hot Chocolate Tonight! At 6pm this evening our new Director of Music, Tom Brown, will lead a time of singing Christmas carols in the sanctuary. This casual gathering will last about an hour—feel free to come and go as you need. Afterwards, we will gather in the narthex for hot chocolate, snacks, and fellowship! ****Due to a simultaneous community event in the Fellowship Hall, parking will be limited. Please park on side streets if possible and leave spots in the LPC lot for those with mobility challenges.****

Program of Hope: December is our month to provide lunches for First Presbyterian Church's Program of Hope, which serves unhoused and vulnerable citizens of New Orleans. Opportunities to serve include sandwich making in the LPC kitchen at 12pm on Tuesdays December 6 and 13 and distributing sandwiches to Program of Hope guests at 8:45am on Wednesdays December 7 and 14. Please contact Cheryl England for more information -- cherylandamanda@gmail.com.

Angel Tree: The Angel Tree program provides gifts for children of at-risk families who are clients of Presbyterian Children's Homes and Services. The tree is located in the reception area outside the church office. Remove an angel ornament from the tree, find the line in the binder on the table that corresponds to the ornament you selected, and enter your contact information. (Every child/ornament has a

number and every number has a line in the binder... This helps PCHAS ensure that every child receives a gift.) Please bring your gifts *UNWRAPPED* to the church no later than December 11. On Wednesday, December 14, all are welcome to drop by the Fellowship Hall beginning at 9am for our "wrapping party" to help sort, wrap, and tag gifts.

Service for the Longest Night The holiday season can be especially difficult for anyone who is grieving, lonely, or just down. At 6pm on Wed. December 21 (the winter solstice), LPC will offer a "Longest Night" (also known as "Blue Christmas") worship service to make space for *all* our holiday emotions. This contemplative, healing service will include music, scripture, poetry, and prayer as a witness to Christ's presence on behalf of "the people who have walked in darkness." No matter how you're feeling this year, we hope you'll attend.

LPC Advent Schedule We are excited to announce the following special programs/services during the season of Advent:

- Sun. Dec. 4, 6pm:** Christmas Carols & Hot Chocolate (Sanctuary)
- Sun. Dec. 11, 10:30am:** 3rd Sunday in Advent: Defiant Joy
- Sun. Dec. 18, 10:30am:** 4th Sunday in Advent: Extravagant Love
Service of Lessons and Carols
- Wed. Dec. 21, 6pm:** Service for the Longest Night (Sanctuary)
- Sat. Dec. 24, 6pm:** Candlelight Christmas Eve Service
- Sun. Dec. 25, 10:30am:** Christmas Morning Worship in Pajamas

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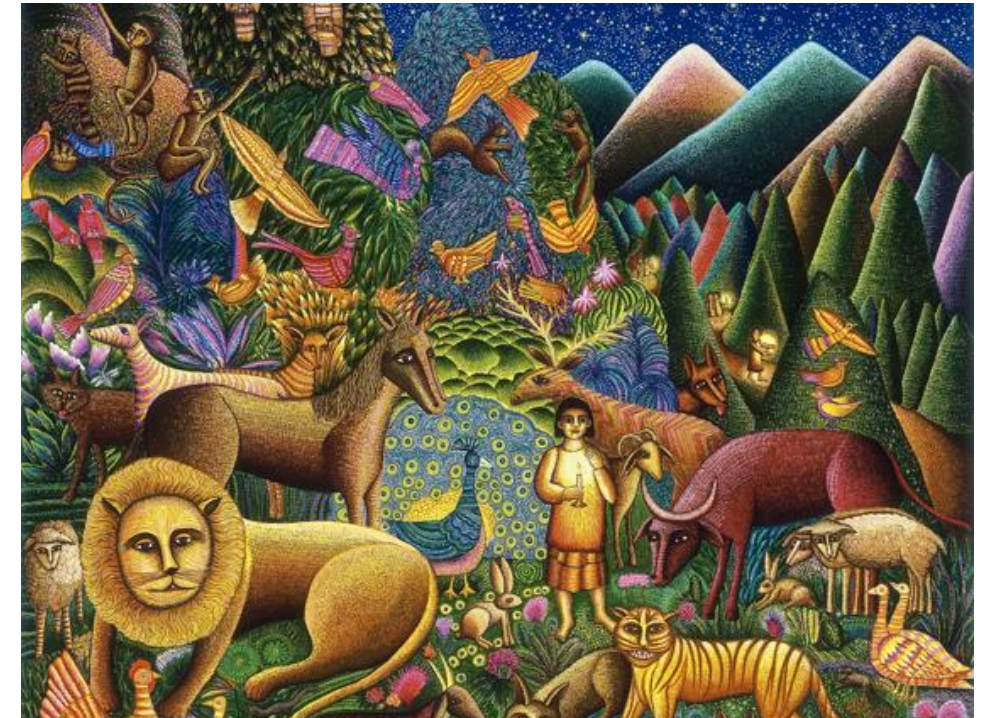


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"The wolf shall live with the lamb, the leopard shall lie down with the kid, the calf and the lion and the fatling together, and a little child shall lead them..." - Isaiah 11:6-8
John August Swanson, hand-painted serigraph, 1994.
www.eyekons.com/john_swanson_serigraphs/john_swanson_peaceable_kingdom_s

THE SECOND SUNDAY IN ADVENT
December 4, 2022
10:30am

We are glad that you have chosen to worship with us. Lakeview Presbyterian Church brings God's word to life in a welcoming atmosphere of worship, prayer, and fellowship, while spreading the love of Jesus Christ through Christian education and outreach, wherein all are welcome.

GATHER

CALLED MEETING OF THE LPC CONGREGATION

OPENING PRAYER

PRESENTATION OF NOMINEES

ELECTION OF ELDERS

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Charlene Berry

John came out of wilderness to preach repentance:

“Make the path straight! Make the rough places smooth!”

He preaches to us still:

Prepare the way for God’s reign of justice and love.

*HYMN OF PRAISE Prepare the Way, O Zion #106

PROCLAIM

LIGHTING THE ADVENT WREATH

The England Family

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Isaiah 11:1-10 (NRSV)

Holy Wisdom, Holy Word.

Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

GOSPEL READING

Matthew 3:1-12 (NRSV)

Holy Wisdom, Holy Word.

Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE True Peace: Everything Must Change Rev. Alex Lee-Cornell

*HYMN OF RESPONSE Lo, How a Rose E’er Blooming #129

RESPOND

TIME OF CONFESSION, REPENTANCE AND OFFERING

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O God, we have become numb to the power of the stories of our faith. We have heard over and over the prophecies of a Messiah, the promises of salvation, and the calls to prepare for your coming. We confess that we don’t really hear or heed them anymore. Instead we occupy ourselves

with guessing what presents we will receive, fitting every event and party into our schedules, and plowing through our unending to-do lists. Bring us back to a sense of mystery, a sense of awe, a sense of wonder, and a sense of anticipation—that something truly special is about to break into our everyday world. Help us prepare our hearts, souls, and minds for the birth of Christ. Amen.

OFFERING OUR GIFTS AND OUR HEARTS

Offertory Song Wait for the Lord #90

Wait for the Lord, whose day is near.

Wait for the Lord; be strong; take heart!

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM, RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

Luca Sohi, Joyce Varghese (Raj Sohi)

Jannice McCool, Peer McCool, Jocelyn Ball, *Godparents of faith*

Amanda and Cheryl England, *LPC new member sponsors*

PRESENTATION

*PROFESSION OF FAITH

Apostles Creed (traditional)

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

THANKSGIVING OVER THE WATER

BAPTISM

WELCOME AND SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

DOXOLOGY #606

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow,
Praise God all creatures here below
Praise God above ye heavenly host,
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

GREAT THANKSGIVING AND THE LORD’S PRAYER

...Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

GO

*SENDING HYMN Creator of the Stars of Night #84

*CHARGE & BENEDICTION

SUNG RESPONSE O Come, O Come Emmanuel (verse 6) #88

**O come, thou Dayspring, come and cheer
our spirits by thine advent here;
disperse the gloomy clouds of night,
and death’s dark shadows put to flight.
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
shall come to thee, O Israel.**

POSTLUDE

NOTES ON TODAY’S SERVICE

*You are invited to stand.

Please join in saying/singing aloud the responses **printed in bold.**

Special thanks to this morning’s liturgist, Charlene Berry.

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