# SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY December 14, 2025 – 11:00 am

\* Those that are able and comfortable standing please stand.

**Prelude: How Great Our Joy (Wollaver)** 

**Welcome and Announcements** 

**Call to Worship (On Screen)** 

**Prayer of Preparation, Praise and Adoration** 

\*Hymn #265: The First Noel (Verses 1, 2, 5)

**Lighting of the Advent Candle** 

**Prayer of Confession (On Screen)** 

**Sharing of Joys and Concerns** 

**Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer** 

Children's Message

\*Hymn #273: Good Christian Men, Rejoice (All Verses)

Special Musical Duet: Kim Frick and Priscilla Hare "The King Shall Come When Morning Dawns" (Beck)

Scripture Reading: Isaiah 35: 1-8

**Scripture Reading: Matthew 11: 2-11** 

Message Title: Christ's Messengers

\*Hymn #278: Angels We Have Heard on High (Verses 1, 3, 4)

\*Prayer for Tithes, Talents and Offerings

\*Hymn #815: Doxology

\*Charge, Blessing and Sending with Peace

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you!

People: And also with you!

\*Postlude: Carol of the Bells (Hayes)

### ~This Week at First Presbyterian Church~

#### **SUNDAY, December 14**

9:15 a.m. – Adult Bible Study

10:15 a.m. – Coffee Fellowship

11:00 a.m. – Worship Service/Third Sunday of Advent

Choir Practice after Worship

Christmas Potluck after Worship

#### **TUESDAY, December 16**

3:00 p.m. – PCP Meeting at Pataskala First

#### **SUNDAY, December 21**

9:15 a.m. - Adult Bible Study

10:15 a.m. - Coffee Fellowship

11:00 a.m. – Worship Service/Fourth Sunday of Advent

#### This Sunday, 12/14

Liturgist: Carol Floyd; Sound Room: Chris Bowles;

Coffee Fellowship: Chris Rainey
Next Sunday, 12/21

**Liturgist:** Gaye Gibson; **Sound Room:** Chris Bowles;

Coffee Fellowship: Kim Dershem







Make plans to join us on December 24<sup>th</sup> at 5 p.m. for a beautiful candlelight service to celebrate the birth of Christ. Invite your family, friends, and neighbors to this special night of worship.



#### **Adult Bible Study on Sunday Mornings:**

Jesus' arrival on earth changed the course of history forever. Not only for those who lived in the first century, but for those of us in the twenty-first century as well. The miracle and marvel of the Advent season demonstrates that we are precious to Him. He's not a distant God. He is Emmanuel, God with us. That includes wherever you are, right now.



Throughout the Old Testament, we find descriptions, allusions, prophecies, and even foreshadowing of the long-anticipated Messiah. The Messiah is Jesus, whose purpose and promise was not limited by His humanity. In this Bible study, you will learn that it's not your behavior that earns the kindness of a holy God; it's the presence of Jesus coming to Earth to be with you, always.

Join Christine Caine and Lisa Harper this Advent season for a four-session video Bible study like no other. Your hope and spirit will be revived as you recapture the wonder of Jesus' obvious love for you. You'll discover that Advent is not only a season of waiting and preparation, but also, it's a season of action to share the hope of Jesus with everyone. Join us in person or over Zoom this Advent season



Reminder: If there is a level 2 snow emergency declared in Licking County all church activities will be cancelled.

## FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



## **Christ's Messengers**

By: Liz Tietz, CRE December 14, 2025 11:00a.m. 65 N. Third St. Newark, OH 43055

Chris Rainey, Worship Elder Tara Lewellen, Music Coordinator