

This Week at Kirkwood

Sunday, November 27, 2016

9:45 AM Adult Sunday School, Kids Rock
11:00 AM Worship Service (S)
11:15 AM Children's Sunday School
3:00 PM Carpe Diem Choir (CO)
4:00 PM Carpe Diem Choir (S)
7:00 PM Hot Lanes Band Practice (S)

Monday, November 28, 2016

5:15 PM GS Troop 144 (FH)
7:00 PM Aging Support Group (CO)

Tuesday, November 29, 2016

6:00 PM 40 Days of Purpose Group (CO)

Wednesday, November 30, 2016

7:00 PM BSA Troop 1140 Meeting (FH)
7:30 PM WEBS (CO)
8:30 PM AA (SB)

Thursday, December 1, 2016

6:30 PM Handbell Choir (SB)
6:45 PM Ladies Night Out AA (SB)
7:30 PM BSA Troop 1140 ASM Meeting (CO)
7:30 PM Chancel Choir (S)

Friday, December 2, 2016

4:30 PM GS Troop 707 (CO)
6:30 PM NA (SB)

Saturday, December 3, 2016

8:00 AM GS Service Unit 52-10 Area Training
(FH, CO, CL)



KIRKWOOD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



(S) Sanctuary (CO) Conference Room (CL) Classrooms (SB) Sanctuary Basement (FH) Fellowship Hall (P) Parlor



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CLERK/SESSION ELDERS: Doug Amon, Bob Futato, Keith Harding, Jeff Jennette, Dan Larson, Merissa Larson, Joan Reynolds, Donna Ross, Deanna Shepherd;
Karen Koenig: Clerk of Session, John Wherry: Assistant Clerk of Session

DEACONS: Ann Gisch, Beverly Harding, Jim Heidenreich, Carin Hickey, Clydette Lobred, Tammy Mottl (Secretary), Joyce Nelson, Jan Pickrel, Sandy Webster (Moderator)

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*"Kirkwood Presbyterian Church is a joyful community of faith—
seeking, serving, and sharing Jesus Christ."*

Kirkwood's Mission Statement

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

SILENT REFLECTION

“God is in the contradictions that assail us, in the circumstances that challenge us . . . in the life goals that demonstrate our real aspirations, in the burdens that wear us down, in the actions that give witness to the values in our hearts.”

~ Joan Chittister

WE GATHER TOGETHER

As you enter the sanctuary, please prepare for worship with quiet reverence.

PRELUDE *Prelude on Let All Mortal Flesh*
Violin: Chaeyoung Yeom arr. Don Dicie

PSALM OF THE DAY Psalm 122 p. 536

TOLLING OF THE BELLS

WORDS OF WELCOME Nathan Mottl

Leader: Grace to you and peace in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.
People: **Let us worship God!**

INTROIT *Awake! Awake, and Greet the New Morn*
Marty Haugen

CALL TO WORSHIP Nathan Mottl
~ Psalm 122:1; Isaiah 2:3; Matt. 24:42; Romans 12:12

Leader: The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God
And the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
People: **And also with you.**
Leader: I was glad when they said to me,
People: **“Let us go to the house of the Lord!”**
Leader: Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord,
People: **that we may learn God’s ways and walk in God’s paths.**
Leader: The night is far gone, and the day is at hand. Let us be alert and watchful
People: **for we do not know the hour of his coming,**
Leader: Let us put off the works of darkness and put on the armor of light.
People: **Come, let us walk in the light of the Lord!**

bit.ly/troop1140 to sign up for an appointment or contact Beth Marhanka at beth.marhanka@georgetown.edu or Jason Huggins at Scoutmaster@troop1140.org. Thank you for your support!

Church Directories: Copies of the Fall 2016 Kirkwood Directory are available in the commons area.

Advent Devotional: Copies of *From Heaven Above: Advent Devotions* by Michael Hoy are available in the commons area. Please take one to enjoy throughout Advent!

If you have not done so already, please take a few moments to faithfully consider how God is leading you to financially support the ministry of Christ here at Kirkwood in the coming year. Complete your Pledge Card or the "I Plan to Support Kirkwood" card you'll find in the pews and please return it with your morning offering.

Joys & Concerns

This Week’s Birthdays:

Nov 28 Margaret Ritsch
Nov 29 Hongjoo Lee
Dec 1 Cecilia Wu

This Week’s Anniversaries:

Nov 30 Don & Joy Groettum

Special Concerns:

Tom & Karen Mirabella and family,
serving in the mission field in Japan

Dustin & Sherri Ellington and family,
mission workers in Zambia

Health & Personal Concerns:

Bob Flory
Dick Pape
Keith Scott
Abigail, daughter of Joan Reynolds’ nephew
James and Bryce, friends of Anne Myers
Dick Glymph, father of Amy Jennette
Lee & Linda Knutson
Jestin Braker & Linda Wussow, relatives of Bob Gisch
Jackie Featherstone
Hal Sellers
Jennifer Ryan, friend of Jim Lister
Ellen Ross, sister-in-law of Joe Ross



*Flowers this morning are given by Beverly & Keith Harding
in honor of our parents.*

Today's Revised Common Lectionary Readings: Next Sunday's Revised Common Lectionary Readings:

Isaiah 2:1-5
Psalm 122
Romans 13:11-14
Matthew 24:36-44

Isaiah 11:1-10
Psalm 72:1-7, 18-19
Romans 15:4-10
Matthew 3:1-12

Nursery: Nursery care is available for newborns through age 2.

Rev. Lees will be in the Narthex after worship to greet you. We welcome you to join us for a time of refreshments and fellowship.

Lighting the **Candle of Hope** on our Advent Wreath this First Sunday of Advent are **Jeff & Amy Jennette** and their son **Phillip**.

Support Group on Aging invites people to attend our next meeting on **Monday, November 28** at 7:00 pm in the Conference Room. The purpose of the group is to offer support and education to those caring for the elderly and others interested in the subject. This month the guest speaker is Mary Ellen Gizzie, Manager of Bereavement Services for VITAS Healthcare. All are welcome.

Children's Christmas Concert: The children have been working very hard this year on preparing for the 2016 Christmas Concert. This concert will for the first time feature a children's bell performance along with singing, poem readings and a parade of angels. The event will take place on **Sunday, December 11** during the worship service. Following the service and during the potluck the children will partake in a birthday party honoring baby Jesus. We hope that the entire congregation can join us to celebrate the kid's hard work and the Savior's birth. A special thanks to Karen Koenig, Carin Hickey, Lynn Gearhart, and Pam Johnson for all of their shepherding support to make this happen!

The Giving Tree: Would you like to help a local family in need provide presents for their children on Christmas morning? The Giving Tree in the narthex is your chance! Take one or more ornaments from the tree and purchase the items listed which have been requested by families at Lynbrook Elementary School. Place the items unwrapped under the tree **no later than Monday, December 12**. Thank you for helping to make Christmas a little brighter for children in need!

ECHO: The holiday season and colder weather put an extra strain on many families in our area. ECHO's current urgent donation needs for November include: Instant Potatoes, Jelly, Juice (Large Cans), Box Rice, Canned Meat, Canned Tomatoes, Tea/Coffee, Pasta, Spaghetti Pasta & Sauce, Canned Pasta, Tuna, Laundry Detergent, Toothpaste, Shaving Cream, Deodorant, Child Toothbrushes, Toilet Tissue, Child/Adult Pain/Cold/Flu Meds, Shampoo. Just place your donations in the ECHO box. Thank you!

2017 Flower Calendar: If you would like to purchase flowers to be placed on the communion table during worship, please sign up on the calendar outside the kitchen. Please specify if they are in honor, memory, or celebration of a particular person or event. The cost is \$45.

Leaf Raking by Troop 1140: 19 Scouts and 5 adults from Kirkwood's Troop 1140, are raising funds for a backpacking high adventure trek to Philmont, in Cimarron, NM for the week of August 13-20, 2017. They are raking leaves for neighbors at a cost of \$40/hour (additional donations always appreciated). You can go to <http://>

GATHERING PRAYER

Blessed and Holy God, as we await the dawning of the day of your coming, keep us faithful in love and watchful in prayer, so that we may stand with confidence and joy at the coming of Christ, the bright Morning Star and Light of the world. Amen.

HYMN

O Lord, How Shall I Meet You

104 GTG

WE PREPARE FOR THE WORD

CALL TO CONFESSION

~ adapted from Romans 12:11-12

Beloved in Christ, be watchful and alert; now is the time to wake from sleep. Salvation is near! Let us confess our sin that the darkness may not overcome us. Let us pray.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (UNISON)

God of Hope, whose prophets prod and provoke us: keep us vigilant and watchful for the One who is coming. Save us from frivolous distractions that lure us to sleep. Save us from excesses and frivolity that creates envy and feeds greed. Save us from false security that relies on the power of the sword and denies the truth of your Word. May this one flame, dancing in the midst of darkness, remind us that Christ's return and reign is slowly but surely dawning upon our weary world. Come, Promised One, come among us as pure Light banishing the darkness of sin and brightening the path to your holy mountain where are nations shall gather and embrace your kingdom of righteousness and of peace for all. Amen.

(moment of silence for personal confession)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

~ Colossians 1:13; Romans 13:14

Leader: Brothers and sisters: God has rescued us from the powers of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of God's beloved Son. Therefore, put on the Lord Jesus Christ! Know that you are forgiven and be at peace.

People: **In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!**
(PLEASE STAND)

CHOIR / CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Come Now, O Prince of Peace

103 GTG

*Choir: Come now, O Prince of Peace; make us one body.
Come, O Lord Jesus; reconcile all people.*

**Congregation: Come now, O Prince of Peace; make us one body.
Come, O Lord Jesus; reconcile all people.**

WE PASS THE PEACE OF CHRIST

Leader: The Peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.
People: **And also with you.**
(PLEASE SIT)

THE LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

The Candle of Hope

A WORD WITH THE CHILDREN

Children ages 3 through 6th grade are dismissed for Sunday School.

GREETING, NEWS OF THE CHURCH

*Please sign the friendship folder and pass it along the pew.
You may complete prayer request cards and give them to an usher.*

OFFERING

OFFERTORY

Liebesleid

Fritz Kreisler

(PLEASE STAND)

DOXOLOGY

Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow

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

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

(PLEASE SIT)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

WE HEAR THE WORD

FROM THE PROPHETS

Isaiah 2:1-5

p. 587

THE EPISTLE

Romans 13:11-14

p. 987

(PLEASE STAND)

HYMN

Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus

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(PLEASE SIT)

THE GOSPEL

Matthew 24:36-44

p. 859

SERMON

Advent’s Audacious Hope

MUSICAL OFFERING

Schön Rosmarin

Fritz Kreisler

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD

COLLECT FOR THE FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT (UNISON)

~ The Book of Common Prayer

Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness, and put on the armor of light, now in this time of mortal life in which your Son Jesus Christ came to visit us in great humility; that in the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge both the living and the dead, we may rise to life immortal; through him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

(PLEASE STAND)

HYMN

I Rejoiced When I Heard Them Say

400 GTG

BENEDICTION

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Come, Come Emmanuel

91 GTG

*Cantor: Come, come Emmanuel. Come, Emmanuel.
Response: Come, come Emmanuel. Come Emmanuel.
Come, come Emmanuel. Come Emmanuel.*

POSTLUDE

Ye Servants of God

Douglas E. Wagner / William Croft

GTG—Glory to God Hymnal
