



Chapel in the Pines Presbyterian Church
Welcome, Worship, Witness
11 a.m. Worship Service with Livestream
1st Sunday of Advent
November 30, 2025

Welcome to Chapel in the Pines Presbyterian Church, where all our members are ministers. We open our doors to all persons to join in worship, fellowship, educational programs, and service. We welcome into membership all who profess faith in Jesus Christ, every gender, race, ethnic origin, worldly condition, sexual orientation, ability, or any other human condition.

OPENING PEAL AND CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

WELCOME

Andrew Taylor-Troutman

Twiddling Your Thumbs

First poem in Advent sonnet series about waiting

Interlace your fingers,
circle your thumbs over each other,
repeatedly, either clockwise
or counterclockwise. You can switch.
Twiddling often implies wasting time,
perhaps an accusation of idleness.
But such harmless fidgets
can also serve to calm the mind,
release anxiety through physical dexterity.
The word “twiddle” is a delightful
portmanteau of “twirl” and “fiddle,”
a reminder that not everyone waiting
is wasting or wanting—
some might actually be creating.

LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES

This is the day that the Lord has made; **let us rejoice and be glad in it!**

PRELUDE

Daniel Seyfried

**indicates where to please stand in body or in spirit*

**Welcome to worship with
Chapel in the Pines
Presbyterian Church!**

Welcome - we're glad you're here! If you are a visitor and would like to learn more about Chapel in the Pines, or be added to our newsletter list, or learn more about joining this church family, scan the QR code to share your visit with us so we can stay in touch! You may also fill out a green visitor card (found in the narthex and chair pockets) and place it in the offering basket.



Ways to Give to CITP

In Worship: Place your offering in the baskets during the Blessing of the Offering.

Text: CITP to 73256

Online: Access our giving portal at citppc.org/donate-online/.

Church information brochures, offering envelopes, note cards for prayer concerns and celebrations are inside the burgundy welcome folder in each chair back pocket. Please use what you need and return the folder to the chair pocket.

LIGHTING OF ADVENT CANDLE OF HOPE -

Liturgy by Rev. Sarah (Are) Speed/A Santified Art LLC

Reader A: In a world full of fear, where do you see hope?

Reader B: I see hope when I look to the next generation. I feel hopeful when we gather together. I know hope, deep in my bones, when we dream of a better world.

A: You are right. Even in a fearful world, hope is all around us.

B: Today we light the candle of hope as a reminder of this good news. May this flicker of light help us remember that we have reason to hope. (*Light candle.*)

A: Thanks be to God! Amen.

***HYMN #103**

“Come Now O Prince of Peace”

O-SO-SO

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Ever-present God, we long to feel you close. We long to feel your presence in our lives. We long for you to break through the chaos and suffering of this world. However, if we're honest, we rarely stand still long enough to feel you in our midst. Forgive our rushing and distractions. Forgive our wandering hearts, and center us in this space. Remind us that even in the time of Herod, even on the longest nights, you are always there. Amen.

TIME OF SILENT CONFESSION

KYRIE #602

“Holy Lamb of God”

YA HAMALALLAH

Choral music for Kyrie #602, “Holy Lamb of God”. The music is written for a four-part choir (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) in 4/4 time. The key signature has one flat (B-flat). The lyrics are: Ho - ly Lamb of God, you take a - way the Ya ha - ma - la - lah al - ha - mel kha - ta - yal sin of the world. Have mer - cy on us. 'a - lam: ir - ham - na.

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**
May the peace of Christ be with you; **and also with you.**

***GLORIA #113** **"Angels We Have Heard on High"** GLORIA
Gloria in excelsis Deo!
Gloria in excelsis Deo!

SCRIPTURE - Luke 2: 1-7 **Jordan Heinzl-Nelson**
in *God's Stories*, pg. 147 "Welcome, Baby Jesus"

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES **Jordan Heinzl-Nelson**

SCRIPTURE - Isaiah 2: 1-5 **Cheryl Krier**
Holy Bible NRSV OT pg 83, Large Print Version pg 594

SERMON **Rev. Dr. Andrew Taylor-Troutman**

***HYMN #107 "Awake! Awake, and Greet the New Morn"** REJOICE, REJOICE

***BLESSING OF THE OFFERING AND PLEDGES**
To make a donation online scan the QR Code
or Text CITP to 73256



Nursery

Childcare for children under the age of four is provided during the 9:15am, 11am and at the combined 10am worship service on the second Sunday of the month and other times during the church year.

Large print worship bulletins, Bibles and hymnals are available from the ushers. Handicapped parking is available in front of the church with level access into the sanctuary.

If you have a prayer request or celebration to share you may write it on an index card, found in the burgundy folders in the chair pockets. Please place your card in the offering baskets during the offering. You may also email your requests to the pastor, Andrew at andrew@citppc.org or admin@citppc.org or call the office at 919-960-0616.

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OFFERTORY

"Lost in the Night"

by Kyle Haugen

Adult Choir

Lost in the night do the people yet languish
Longing for morning the darkness to vanquish,
Plaintively sighing with hearts full of anguish,
Will not day come soon? Will not day come soon?

Must we be vainly awaiting the morrow?
Shall those who have light no light let us borrow,
Giving no heed to our burden of sorrow?
Will you help us soon? Will you help us soon?

Sorrowing wand'ers, in darkness yet dwelling,
Dawned has the day of a radiance excelling,
Death's deepest shadows forever dispelling.
Christ is coming soon! Christ is coming soon!

*DOXOLOGY

"Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow"

The musical notation is written on a single staff in 4/4 time. It begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The melody is as follows: C4 (quarter), D4 (quarter), E4 (quarter), F4 (quarter), G4 (quarter), A4 (quarter), B4 (quarter), A4 (quarter), G4 (quarter), F4 (quarter), E4 (quarter), D4 (quarter), C4 (quarter). The lyrics are: "Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here be-low; Praise God a-bove, ye heaven-ly host; Praise Fa-ther, Son, and Ho-ly Ghost. A-men. A-men. A-men." The notation includes measure numbers 4, 8, and 12. The final measure is a whole note C4.

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH - The Apostles' Creed

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 Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into the dead; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and now sits on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; he shall come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy universal Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

SHARING OF CELEBRATIONS AND CONCERNS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE/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.

*HYMN #93 “Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates”

TRURO

*CHARGE/BENEDICTION
**I am created by God.
I am beloved by God.
I am called by God.**

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The flowers beautifying our sanctuary this morning were donated by Cheryl Krier. Thank you, Cheryl!

**PASTOR ON CALL
THIS WEEK:**
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SENDING HYMN #127

"Jesus, Light of the World" *refrain*

WE'LL WALK IN THE LIGHT

We'll walk in the light, beau - ti - ful light.

Come where the dew - drops of mer - cy shine bright.

O, shine all a - round us by day and by

night. Je - sus, the light of the world.

POSTLUDE

Daniel Seyfried



SEND GREETINGS TO OUR ONLINE WORSHIPPERS! If you would like to greet our online worshippers, you are invited to the front of the sanctuary (between piano and Communion table) 10 minutes before or immediately after our service today. We do not show the congregation during worship, in order to respect individual privacy, but offer this way for those who wish to greet friends at home.

Children may participate in these greetings with their parents or guardians.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

HEARING LOOPS: The sanctuary and fellowship hall are equipped with hearing loops, making it possible for anyone with a T-coil-enabled hearing aid to hear worship services and events in the fellowship hall clearly. If you do not have a hearing aid, but would like to try the hearing loop, headsets are available in the narthex from the ushers. Please turn off the receiver and place it in the specially marked receptacle at the back of the sanctuary, or return it to an usher after the service.



CHOIR REHEARSALS

Handbells: We have two handbell groups at CITP. Grace Ringers meet Sundays from 6:30-7:30pm. Grace Ringers provides music only on combined service Sundays, so is a great option for early service folks.

Agape Ringers meet on Wednesdays from 6:15-7:15pm and rings for various services throughout the year. Anyone may join us to ring opening peals each week. All are welcome to join from 6th grade through adults.

Contact: katherine.brekke@gmail.com

Adult Choir: The Adult Choir helps lead worship at the 11am service as well as the 10am combined services. The Adult Choir is open to singers 6th grade through adults. Rehearsals are Wednesday nights from 7:30-8:30pm in the sanctuary. All are welcome!

Contact: naborsje@gmail.com

IMPORTANT MESSAGE

Worship During December:

Please note, we are having only one combined Worship service at 10am on ALL Sundays in December.

The children's choir will rehearse in the conference room of the fellowship hall at 11am December 7, in preparation for singing in worship on December 14. All children are welcome!

Contact: Nancy Donny

ELDER IN THE NARTHEX: Elder Deb Rogers will be in the narthex from 10:45am until the end of the service. She will be wearing a red carnation and is available to greet and assist members and visitors who may have questions, comments or special needs. We thank you, Deb, for serving today.

We would be honored to have a PRINTED NAME TAG waiting for you in the box on the greeter table as part of our welcoming ministry. Please leave your hand printed tag at the greeter table, fill out a visitor's green card, and ask the greeter to have a tag printed for you or just leave it on the round welcome table in the narthex. It will be yours to take with you and bring it back whenever you come back or to hang it on our rack for your future visits!

FAITH FORMATION & YOUTH GROUP:

Our regular weekly meetings are:

Faith formation for children in 2nd-6th grades will meet Sundays from 3-4:30pm in our fellowship hall for a mix of fellowship, Bible study, faith exploration, community building and fun!

Youth group for 7th-12th grade students will meet Sundays from 5-6:30pm in the fellowship hall!

Contact: jbrummittiyale@citppc.org



As we prepare to beautify our church for the holidays, we are once again asking our members to make a donation to enable us to purchase poinsettias for the sanctuary and the narthex. The sign up sheet will be in the narthex. The deadline is December 7. We would like to thank you for your generosity in the past and for your help this year in making our church as glorious as possible!

Contact: Hope Weber or Jan Herboth



SEASONAL
CHILDREN'S CHOIR



SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS: The word “advent” means “coming back” or “returning.” As the church remembers the birth of our Savior, we also look forward the restoration of all things when he returns. Rev. Dr. Rodney Petersen leads a Bible study that includes insights from Christian theologians across the centuries. Please join us in the Gathering Room beginning today! There will also be a Zoom option available.

- Sunday, November 30, 10am
- Sunday, December 7, 9am
- Sunday, December 14, 9am
- Sunday, December 21, 9am



Church Staff

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Jordan Heinzl-Nelson

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