

First Presbyterian Church

November 27, 2022

Hanging of the Greens

Morrison, Illinois

10:15AM

Enter This Church That We Might Worship Together!



PRELUDE

THE GATHERING WELCOME

Pastor: Greetings in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

People: Greetings in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

INTROIT

Watchman, Tell Us of the Night

No. 20 Vs. 1

THE MEANING OF THE SERVICE

Lynn Knox

LESSONS OF CHRISTMAS

Carol Wolf

CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor Mike

Pastor: Christ has come! Christ was dead! Christ has risen! Christ will come again!

All: **This is the faith of the Church of Jesus Christ!**

Pastor: When we look at the world around us, we see the darkness of war, captivity, greed, and broken relationships.

All: **We long for Christ to come again and bring light to our world.**

Pastor: The Word of the Gospel is that Jesus Christ lives among us, bringing truth and light as a present reality.

All: **We worship as those who have a glimpse of that reality, and we long for its fullness. We are those who labor to make Christ's light more visible on earth. Let us praise God, that the light of Christ shines on in the darkness, which has never overcome it. To God be the glory in Jesus Christ and in the church forever and ever. Amen. (based on John 1:5 and Eph. 3:21)**

HYMN

Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus

No. 2

SCRIPTURE READING

John 1:1-5

Jacie Reynolds

THE CHRISTMAS TREE, CANDLES & LIGHTS

Tim Reynolds

SCRIPTURE READING

Isaiah 11:1-2

Katie Selburg

THE SANCTUARY EVERGREENS

Katie Selburg

THE ADVENT CANDLES AND WREATHS

The Rider Family

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE *Hope*

The Rider Family

SCRIPTURE READING

John 1:9-13

Angela Reamer

THE DOVE

Silas Dolieslager

THE CHRISTMAS POINSETTIA

Aiden Dolieslager

SCRIPTURE READING

Micah 5:2

Deb Zigler

THE NATIVITY

Deb Zigler

HYMN

People, Look East

No. 12

SCRIPTURE READING

Isaiah 7:14

Maddie Huizenga

THE GIFTS OF CHRISTMAS

Maddie Huizenga

HYMN

O Come, O Come Emanuel

No. 9

BENEDICTION

Pastor Mike

POSTLUDE**

PASSING OF THE PEACE (*greeting: "Peace be with you," response: "and also with you"*)

*You are invited to stand for this portion.

**Please remain seated until the conclusion of the postlude.

The Bible verses are read from the New Revised Standard Version (NRSV).



Depart This House That We Might Witness Together!

Remember in prayer: Individuals and families fighting COVID-19 infection; residents and staff of Resthove, Homestead, and Pleasant View; medical workers, essential employees, school teachers & staff; Dan Brandon, Orville Goodenough, Janet Johnson, Joyce Mathew, Shirley Mills, Marian Osborn, Youdelka Philippe (MSH), Cooke Shawver, Jean Temple, Rachel Tucker, Ray Tucker, Dick Vandermyde, Michael Vegter, Jr.

Love one another!

Livestream Worship Services

Each Sunday at 10:15am from the church's Facebook group page: www.facebook.com/groups/firstpresmorrison. And after the service on YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCcZlobAb6lcNXGA0cbuuVdg>

Bible Study In November, we will meet Tuesdays at 9:30am at Pleasant View. Rick Barr will lead the weeks that Pastor Mike is unable.

Drive-Up Meal The next meal will be on December 8. We will be serving Christmas Ham Dinner. Meals will begin at 4:30PM

Deacons Are Here For You Do you have a physical or spiritual need? Our deacons want to help! Please feel free to reach out to a deacon!

Prayer Requests Have a prayer request? You can now email them to prayers.firstpresmorrison@gmail.com

Birthdays

11/27: Joe Sage

STAFF

Minister. Rev. Dr. Mike Selburg
Office Manager. Stacie Baker
Organist. Scott Vandermyde
Custodian. Courtney Bruckner

SESSION ELDERS:

Lynn Knox
Lexie Laughlin
Jim Palmer
Angela Reamer

Tim Reynolds
Scott Vandermyde
Carol Wolf
Deb Zigler
Stacie Baker, Clerk

Deacons:

Mavis Best
June Cortes
Doris Robertson
Jody Tucker

*But in those days,
after that suffering,
the sun will be darkened,
and the moon will not give its light,
and the stars will be falling from heaven,
and the powers in the heavens will be shaken.
Then they will see the Son of Man
coming in clouds
with great power and glory.
Then he will send out the angels,
and gather his elect from the four winds,
from the ends of the earth to the ends of heaven.
From the fig tree learn its lesson:
as soon as its branch becomes
tender and puts forth its leaves,
you know that summer is near.*

*So also,
when you see these things taking place,
you know that he is near,
at the very gates.*






*Truly I tell you,
this generation will not pass away
until all these things have taken place.
Heaven and earth will pass away,
but my words will not pass away.
But about that day or hour no one knows,
neither the angels in heaven, nor the Son,
but only the Father.*

*Beware,
keep alert;
for you do not know when the time will come.
It is like a man going on a journey,
when he leaves home and puts his slaves in charge,
each with his work,
and commands the doorkeeper to be on the watch.*

*Therefore,
keep awake
—for you do not know when the master of the house will come,
in the evening,
or at midnight,
or at cockcrow,
or at dawn,*

*or else he may find you asleep when he comes suddenly.
And what I say to you I say to all:
Keep awake.*

—Mark 13:24-37

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