



**Sunday, December 7, 2025**  
**SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

Third Presbyterian Church  
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**SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY**

*Thank you for silencing your phone and other electronic devices.*

*Please complete prayer requests, as legibly as possible, and place them on the offering plate.*

**WELCOME**

**Pastor Krummel**

*Welcome to Third Presbyterian Church this morning. We ask that you please sign the attendance pad at the end of each pew and pass it along to your neighbors.*

**PRELUDE**

**"Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence"**

**Helen Ely, Organist**

(Arranged by: Ryan L Patterson)

**LIGHTING OF ADVENT WREATH**

**Judy Marcy, Stephanie and Sydney Geyston**

**The Light of Hope**

**RESPONSE**

**"O Come, O Come, Emmanuel" (v. 1)**

**#245**

**ADVENT PRAYER**

**All: Lord as we come to worship together during this Advent season, refresh our hearts with the wonder of Your story. Guide us through Your Holy Spirit into deeper revelation of Your love, mercy and hope. Amen.**

**\*OPENING HYMN**

**"Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus**

**# 244**

**LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH**  
**The Light of Peace**

**Denny and Noni Pope**

**RESPONSE**

“O Come, O Come, Emmanuel” (v. 2)

**#245**

**\*CALL TO CONFESSION**

**Pastor Krummel**

*Leader: A voice is crying out in the wilderness: Repent, for the Kingdom of Heaven has come near. (Matthew 3: 2 & 3) Trusting in God's grace, join your voices in confessing our sin and the sin of the world.*

**\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**Pastor Krummel**

**People: Lord, we have fallen short of Your glory. Forgive us as we remember what the meaning of Your expectant arrival does for us. For You did not consider it equality with God, but set Yourself aside, and took the form of a babe, lived a sinless life, and died on the Cross and now offer us forgiveness of our sins, to the Glory of God the Father. Forgive us when we do not show mercy, forgive when we do not work together for hope to come, forgive us when we do not heed the call to repent. Thank You Jesus for forgiving all who call on Your name. Amen.**

**\*ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

**Pastor Krummel**

*Leader: The wilderness will rejoice; the dry land will blossom. The people of God will return with joy and singing. (Isaiah 35: 1,10)*

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**\*GLORIA PATRI**

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, it is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.**

**TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES**

**Pastor Krummel**

**CHOIR ANTHEM**

“O Come, All Ye Faithful”  
(Melody by: John Francis Wade)

**Chancel Choir**

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

**Pastor Krummel**

*Leader: Holy God, our hope and strength, by the power of your Spirit prepare the way in our hearts for the coming of your Word, so that we may see the glorious signs of your promise fulfilled; through Jesus Christ our Lord.*

**People: Amen.**

**SCRIPTURE LESSON (Romans 15: 4-13)**

**Rev. Dr. Forrest Krummel**

<sup>4</sup>For whatever was written in former days was written for our instruction, so that by steadfastness and by the encouragement of the scriptures we might have hope. <sup>5</sup>May the God of steadfastness and encouragement grant you to live in harmony with one another, in accordance with Christ Jesus, <sup>6</sup>so that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>7</sup>Welcome one another, therefore, just as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God. <sup>8</sup>For I tell you that Christ has become a servant of the circumcised on behalf of the truth of God in order that he might confirm the promises given to the ancestors <sup>9</sup>and that the gentiles might glorify God for his mercy. As it is written, “Therefore I will confess you among the gentiles and sing praises to your name”; <sup>10</sup>and again he says, “Rejoice, O gentiles, with his people”; <sup>11</sup>and again, “Praise the Lord, all you gentiles, and let all the peoples praise him”; <sup>12</sup>and again Isaiah says, “The root of Jesse shall come, the one who rises to rule the gentiles; in him the gentiles shall hope.” <sup>13</sup>May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

**PRAISE SONG**

“Peace Be Still”

**Praise Team**

(Mia Fieldes, Andrew Holt & Hope Dorst)

**SERMON**

“The Advent Promise of Hope and Peace”

**Pastor Krummel**

**HYMN**

“Lo! How a Rose E’er Blooming

**#255**

**THE SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION**

**Pastor Krummel**

**INVITATION TO GENEROSITY**

**Pastor Krummel**

*Leader: Let us magnify the Lord, rejoicing in the one who scatters the proud, lifts up the lowly, and fills the hungry with good things. (Luke 1: 46-47) Let us offer our lives to the Lord. Freely come to this time of worship with your tithes, offerings, and alms.*

**PRAISE SONG**

“Praise You in This Storm”

**Praise Team**

(By: Jake Stephens, Johathan David Helser, Mellissa Helser, & Molly Skaggs)

**\*DOXOLOGY**

**#815**

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him, all creatures here below. Praise Him above, Ye Heavenly Host, Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen!**

**\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

**Pastor Krummel**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS/ JOYS & CONCERNS**

**Pastor Krummel**

## PRAYER OF INTERCESSION

Pastor Krummel

### LORD'S PRAYER

**All: 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.**

### \*CLOSING HYMN

“Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee”

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### \*BENEDICTORY PRAYER

Pastor Krummel

*Leader: Go forth and begin the journey of Advent. Begin your preparations, start the planning, look to the future, but in all you're doing, keep focused on the great gift, Jesus of Nazareth, the Christ child of Bethlehem.*

**All: Amen.**

### \*POSTLUDE

“Overture from ‘Nutcracker Suite’”  
(By: Peter Tchaikovsky)

Helen Ely, Organist

**\*Please stand in body or in spirit**

This church welcomes you, no matter who you are, where you are from, or why you are here. We are Christ's people, and this is Christ's place with its doors open. If you are passing through Godspeed; if you are looking for a home, please stay; if you need instruction, learn from us as we learn from you. We invite visitors to join us, but most of all, to return often. We are so glad you are here!

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Below is a list of the ongoing prayer requests for this week. Certainly, God knows each person and each request and simply calls upon us to lift the name in prayer. Call the Church Office, 217-528-0457, to have a name added or removed.



*All people experiencing natural disasters and other devastating weather events...may God ease their pain, loss, and feelings of uncertainty as they rebuild their lives and homes, All those experiencing conflict in their homeland...for peace, Those suffering from food inequity, Citizens of Our Country, State, and City, Ted Bishop, Margaret Black, Janet Bottoms, Cory, Lucy Collebrusco, Michelle Davidson, Chuck Davis, Julie Dirksen, Dylan & Family, Linda Farley, Urlis Farley, Linda Fisher, Kristin Fletes, Wanda Sue Freeman, Damaris Fritz, Sharon Funderburk, Lee Garfat, Marilyn and Shelia Garst, Jeanne Hanson, Gary Havey, Art Heinold, Marilyn Houston, Toney Jackson, Jacob, Lou Jordan, Willie Kirkwood, Rachel Krause, Mary Lou Landreth, Liam, Bill Lohman, Shirley McConnaughay, Dream McDevitt, Sharon Miller, Susie Mudd's Family, Jo Etta, Blake Roderick, Jim Rominger, Dorothy Rutherford, Wanda Saccaro, Dequan Stamps, Tom Turnbull, Third Presbyterian Church and its Members, Vickie & Family, Dagmar West, and Nick Williams.*

If you know of anyone who is in hospital and would like visitors or to be placed on the prayer list, please pass this information along to another church member or call the church office at 217-528-0457 as the hospitals can no longer share this.

Thank you.

A logo with the word "PRAYER" in a stylized, colorful font. The letters are in various colors (red, green, blue, yellow) and are set against a light green background.



- 1 – Kathy Harrison
- 3 – Dawn Hollis
- 10 - Linda Pease
- 11 – Carol Hood
- 12 – Dee Cook
- 14 – Debra Krick
- 15 – Sean Davidson
- 20 – Zack Whitlow
- 26 – Andy Wilson
- 30 - Karen Geever, Edward Hafer,  
Scott Houston

**Bring a Friend to Movie Night**

‘The Journey to Bethlehem’

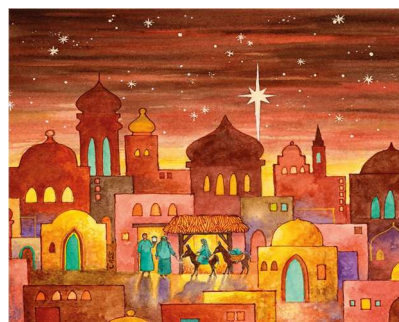
The New Life Committee is hosting a Movie Night on  
**Friday, December 12, 2025, from 6:00 to 8:30pm.**

Caroling and Fellowship will begin at 6:00 with the Movie showing at  
6:30. Drinks and popcorn will be provided.

A \$3.00 free will donation is requested.

Bring your family and friends to relax and enjoy and get into the  
Christmas Spirit.

Feel free to bring sleeping bags, blankets, and lawn chairs to be  
comfortable.



## **WHITE GIFT OFFERING**

**Sunday, December 21**

*Each year we observe White Gift Sunday, when the Sunday School Classes and other groups give special offerings. Several people have asked "What is White Gift Sunday, and why do we do it?"*

*Mrs. Louise Hildebrandt wrote the following in the December 1932 Beacon.*

*"This strange country is called Cathay, and the ruler thereof is one Kublai Khan, a mighty warrior, who, by reason of his strong will and trusty sword, has made himself lord of the whole land. His government is both wise and just, and is administered for rich and poor, alike, without fear or favor. On the king's birthday the people observe what is called the White Feast. Then are the king and his court assembled in a great room of the palace, which is all white, the floor of marble and the walls hung with curtains of white silk. All are in white apparel and they offer unto the king white gifts, to show that their love and loyalty are without stain. The rich bring to their lord pearls, carvings of ivory, white chargers, and costly embroidered garments. The poor present white pigeons and handfuls of rice. Nor doth the great king regard one gift above another so long as all be white. And so do they keep the king's birthday."*



Restroom Renovations are done!

A big THANK YOU to everyone who worked so hard  
contributing their time and talents to paint, clean, and  
put on all the finishing touches to complete a job  
well done!

# Calendar/Announcements

## Today, Sunday, December 7<sup>th</sup>

- 9:00am—Worship Service (Sanctuary)
- 10:15am—Fellowship Time (Fellowship Hall)
- 10:15am—Blood Pressure Checks (Print Room)
- 10:15am—Sunday School Class-LLL (Hanahan Room)

## Monday, December 8<sup>th</sup>

*Church Office Closed*

## Tuesday, December 9<sup>th</sup>

- 2:30pm—MOCN Parenting Class (Hanahan Room)
- 5:00pm—After Five CWC Dinner/Meeting (Fellowship Hall & Kitchen)
- 6:00pm—Discipleship Life Committee (Hanahan Room)

## Thursday, December 11<sup>th</sup>

- 1:30pm—Club Compass (Various)
- 4:00pm—Praise Team Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
- 5:00pm—Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

## Friday, December 12<sup>th</sup>

- 6:00pm—Invite a Friend to Movie Night ‘Journey to Bethlehem’ (Fellowship Hall)

## Sunday, December 14<sup>th</sup>

- 9:00am—Worship Service (Sanctuary)
- 10:15am—LLL Sunday School Class (Hanahan Room)



## *To Reach Office Staff:*

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