



Winter Park

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

NOVEMBER 29, 2020



First
Sunday of Advent

ORDER OF WORSHIP

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE • *Le Prologue de Jesus* - Clokey

LIGHTING OF THE FIRST CANDLE OF THE ADVENT WREATH

CALL TO WORSHIP

O that God would tear open the heavens and come down!

Of that day or hour, no one knows, only God.

Be alert! Keep awake! The time is drawing near:

The beginning of the good news of Jesus Christ, the Son of God.

PRAYER OF ADORATION

Thank you, God for the gift of life today. We give you thanks that your presence shines upon us for you are our salvation. Lead us like a shepherd through this day. Strengthen us for whatever lies ahead. Grant us the spiritual gifts of peace, patience, kindness, and gentleness, for we want to show your love, in both word and deed, to others. In Christ's name we pray, Amen.

HYMN • *Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus*

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, we confess that we become distracted, even weary, in our discipleship. We keep busy schedules; we rush about. Captivated by technology, tempted by the lure of consumer goods, we do not remain alert to your divine presence in our lives, in the church, in the world. Make us better doorkeepers of our lives, watching for you attentively. Awaken us to your surprising power and glory and peace, so we do not miss how near you are to our very own gates. Be gracious toward us, we pray, until we are gathered from the ends of the earth to the ends of heaven, into your embrace. We pray in the name of Christ, who was, and is, and is to come. Amen.

(Continue with silent confession and reflection.)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

RESPONSE • *Gloria from Angels We Have Heard On High*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

RESPONSE • *Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence* (verse 1)

CHILDREN'S SERMON

(Children, parents, and other adults may remain seated in their pews.)

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Isaiah 64:1-9

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

Mark 13:24-37

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

"The Adventiest Advent We've Ever Advented" • The Rev. Emily Wasser

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH • *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 Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried;
He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead;
He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand
of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come
to judge the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church;
the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins;
the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

OFFERING OF OUR TITHES AND GIFTS

INVITATION TO OFFERING

OFFERTORY MUSIC *O Come, O Come, Emmanuel* • arr. Krug

OFFERTORY RESPONSE • Doxology

PRAYER OF DEDICATION AND 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.**

HYMN • *O Come, O Come, Emmanuel*

O come, O come, Emmanuel,
and ransom captive Israel,
that mourns in lonely exile here
until the Son of God appear.
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
shall come to thee, O Israel.

O come, thou Dayspring, come and cheer
our spirits by thine advent here;
disperse the gloomy clouds of night,
and death's dark shadows put to flight.
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
shall come to thee, O Israel.

O come, Desire of nations, bind
all peoples in one heart and mind;
bid envy, strife, and discord cease;
fill the whole world with heaven's peace.
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
shall come to thee, O Israel.

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

CHORAL RESPONSE • Advent Message

POSTLUDE • *Veni, Emmanuel* - Ellsasser



✠ SERVING TODAY ✠

OFFICIATING MINISTER

The Rev. Dr. W. Darren Bess, Senior Pastor

ASSISTING MINISTER

The Rev. Emily Wasser, Associate Pastor

MUSICIANS

Director of Music: Justin Chase

Organist: Penny Walsh

Westminster Ringers: Meg Baldwin, Janet Barnes, Justin Chase, Alan Davis,
Dana Irwin, Jayne Leach, Sevilla Morse, Doug Reece, Jan Reker, Holly Small,
Dawn Sumrall, George Sumrall, Sarah Thomas, Susan Davis-Director

AUDIO/VISUAL

Carole Reece

Doug Reece

Nelson Roe

✠ WORSHIP MATTERS ✠

ANTHEM TEXT

Come Lord Jesus, Amen, come Lord Jesus. O come quickly; Amen, come Lord Jesus.
The voice of Him that crieth in the wilderness, prepare ye the way of the Lord.
Make straight in the desert a highway for our God. Come Lord Jesus come;
Yea, come quickly.

MUSIC NOTES

Our CCLI License number is 11184426, and our OneLicense.net number is 725233.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome

We are so glad you are here to worship with us today! We will continue to offer our worship services online. Sermons can be found at www.winppc.org/sermons.

Advent Booklet

The Advent Booklet is ready and will be available today after the service. A table is set up outside the sanctuary. A \$3 per copy charge is being requested to offset the printing costs.

Poinsettias

Our church will once again be graced with poinsettias as we celebrate Christmas. A form for purchasing a poinsettia to serve as a memorial or as a tribute of honor is attached to this bulletin. Forms are also available in the narthex and the front office. The cost for each poinsettia is \$15. Order forms must be completed and returned by December 11th.

Chrismon Tree Booklet

The Worship & Music Committee has reissued the Chrismon Tree Booklet. This booklet was originally done in 1989. The committee is asking for a minimum donation of \$2 and they will be available on Sunday mornings and in the front office.

Toys for Apopka

Season's Greetings! We will be collecting NEW, UNWRAPPED toys for the 46th Annual Christmas Toy Store for the Hope Community Center in Apopka again this year. The challenges during 2020 are continuing and they have added the ability to donate via Amazon. Our collection process will change as well. Please leave your gifts in Room 301. Contact Rachel Myers at 407-484-7290 if you would like to help sort and box on Sunday, December 6, and/or assist in loading and delivering the toys to Apopka on Tuesday, December 8. Pastor Emily will bless the toys on Sunday, December 6. A list of recommended toy store donations is in this bulletin. Also included on the list is information on how you can order through Amazon.

Living Nativity Needs Volunteers!

On December 19th, Winter Park Presbyterian hopes to host Living Nativity...but with a twist. In order to accommodate CDC guidelines, Community Life has crafted a plan that will still allow our Living Nativity to take place this year. There is just one thing, it's going to need volunteers. Lots and lots and lots of volunteers. Actors, narrators, and guides are all needed to make sure that Living Nativity goes off without a hitch this year. It will look different, there is no doubt about that, but we are confident that with your help we can come together as a Church and host a Living Nativity that allows us to keep our beloved tradition alive through 2020. If you are available on December 19, if you have family in town, friends or neighbors who are free and looking for something to do, please contact Emily Wasser immediately! We can do this WPPC! All we need is you!

Virtual VBS—December 28-31, 10-11:30am

This year Central Florida Presbytery is hosting a Winter Virtual VBS from December 28-31. This virtual VBS will feature daily theme Bible verses, exploration of the theme through storytelling, arts and crafts, movement, and science activities. The kids will also have discussion times in breakout groups by age. In the Advent lead up to the 4-day VBS, families are encouraged to choose at least one service project a week and to take a picture of "flat" Little Baby Jesus and post it to our Journeys with Jesus Facebook Group. Deadline to register is December 15th 2020. To register or to get more information please go to <http://www.cfpresbytery.org/upcoming-events.html>.

SUGGESTED TOYS

HCC requests that only new, unwrapped items be donated with price tags left on each toy.

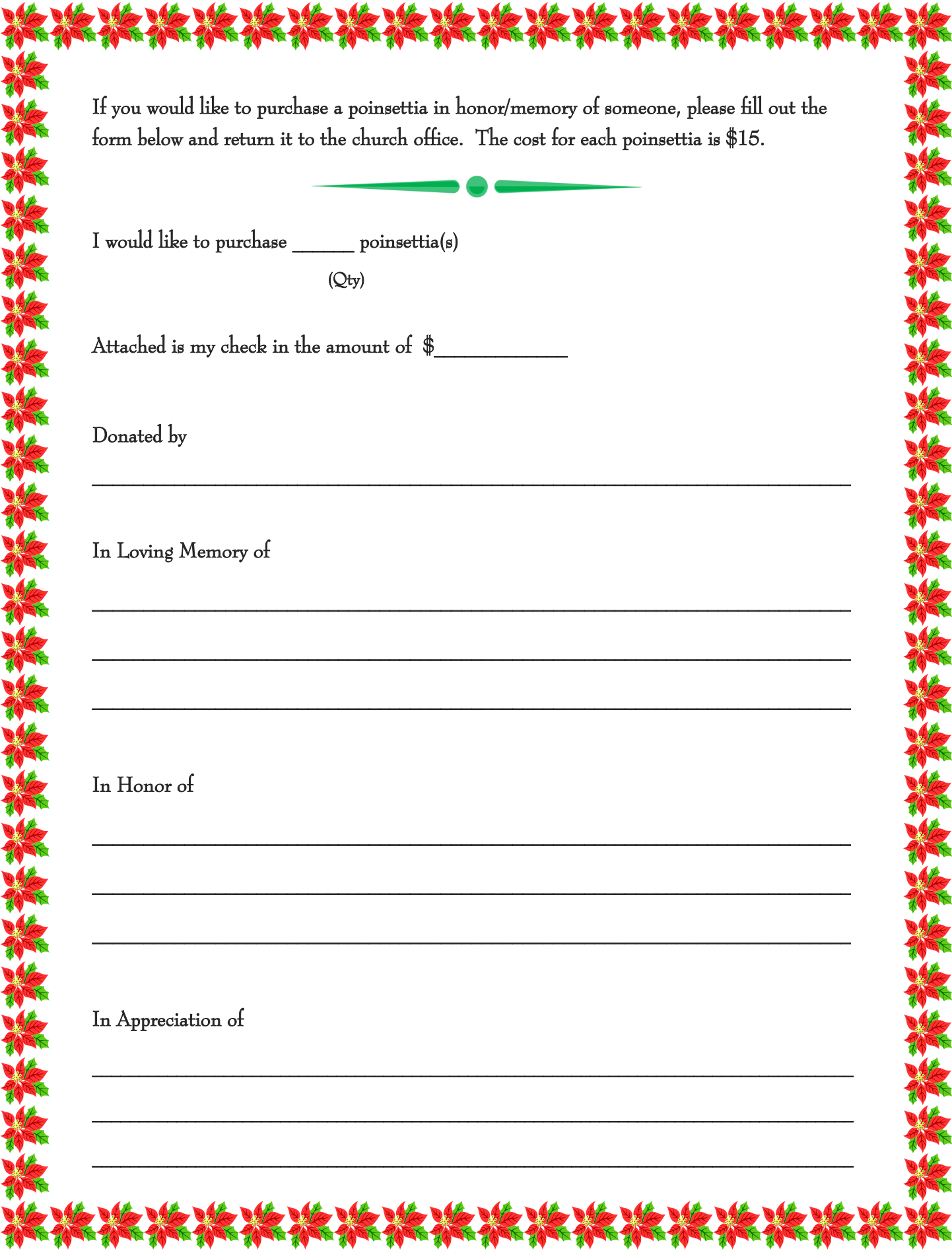
- ✓ BICYCLES/SKATEBOARDS/SCOOTERS/HELMETS/TRICYCLES
- ✓ DOLLS OF ALL COLORS
- ✓ ARTS & CRAFTS KITS
- ✓ PLAY 'PRETEND' KITS/JEWELRY/MAKE-UP, ETC. FOR YOUNG GIRLS
- ✓ SPORTS BALLS OF ALL KINDS
- ✓ EDUCATIONAL GAMES & BOOKS
- ✓ NEW SOCKS/PAJAMAS/PLAY CLOTHES/UNDERWEAR FOR BOYS/GIRLS
- ✓ HOUSEHOLD ITEMS
- ✓ CARS & TRUCKS (ESPECIALLY MEDIUM/LARGE VEHICLES)
- ✓ BOARD GAMES FOR CHILDREN OF ALL AGES
- ✓ TOYS/CLOTHING/BLANKETS FOR INFANTS & TODDLERS
- ✓ BABY DIAPERS (NEWBORN TO SIZE 5)




YOU CAN ALSO HELP BY ORDERING
THROUGH AMAZON & SENDING
YOUR ORDER TO:

HOPE COMMUNITY CENTER
CHRISTMAS TOY SALE
1016 NORTH PARK AVE.
APOPKA, FL 32712



A decorative border of red poinsettias with green leaves surrounds the entire page.

If you would like to purchase a poinsettia in honor/memory of someone, please fill out the form below and return it to the church office. The cost for each poinsettia is \$15.

A green horizontal separator consisting of a central circle with two pointed ends.

I would like to purchase _____ poinsettia(s)
(Qty)

Attached is my check in the amount of \$ _____

Donated by

In Loving Memory of

In Honor of

In Appreciation of

Pastoral Care

If you (or someone you know) are going through a difficult time, please contact us. Our Deacons and pastoral care staff are available for support, home and hospital visits, and prayer. Please contact Dr. Darren Bess at darrenb@winppc.org or 407-647-1467 x 103. For pastoral emergencies when the church office is closed, call 407-647-1467 x 112.

Publicity

If you have a church event that needs to be publicized in the church bulletin, newsletter, etc., please fill out the form located at <http://winppc.org/publicity-request/>.

Transportation for Church Events

If you are in need of transportation to a church event, please contact the church office at least 24 hours in advance, and every effort will be made to accommodate your need.

The Session			The Diaconate		
2020	2021	2022	2020	2021	2022
Doris Anguish	Phillip Anderson III	Theresa Coker	Ardyth Austin	Mike Galyean	Susan Davis
Marilyn Bryant	Lisa Dreasher	Bonnie Gaughan	Cathy House	Reta Jackson	Jane Munns
Rick Davis	Jayne Leach	Fran Morrissey	Caroline James	Julie Kent	Rachel Myers
Steve House	Shaheed Mohammed	Michelle Trahan	Jim McKinney	Curtis Koon	Christine Rich
Larry Seel	Peter Rice	Jay Van Hook	Dennis Schmalstig	Sara Van Arsdel	Meg Ball Thomas
Bob White	Nelson Roe		Matt Straub	Jeanne Vinci	

Missions Supported by WPPC

Audrey Ball, *Transitions Orphan Assistance Foundation*, Ukraine

Dr. Robert Gamble, *This Child Here*, Ukraine

Dennis & Susan Walters, *SIL*, East Asia

Steve & Sonia Dettweiler, *Wycliffe*, Nigeria

Dr. Anne Hallum, *A.I.R. (Alliance for Reforestation)*, Guatemala

PC(USA) World Missions

Rev. Gordon & Dorothy Gartrell, Brazil; Jenny Bent, Dominican Republic;

Mark Hare, Haiti; Dan & Elizabeth Turk, Madagascar

Staff

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