



Park Lake
 Presbyterian Church
 309 E. Colonial Dr.
 Orlando, FL 32801 www.plpc.org

November 27, 2016

The First Sunday of Advent

Order of Worship

10:30 a.m.

GATHERING

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

Sicilienne

Maria Theresia Von Paradis

Time of Silence

Introit

Of the Father's Love Begotten (Rev. 21:6) 12th century plainsong
 words, Aurelius Clemens Prudentius, 4th century; trans. John Mason Neale, 1854

*Of the Father's love begotten, ere the worlds began to be,
 he is Alpha and Omega, he the Source,
 the Ending he of the things that are, that have been,
 and that future years shall see, evermore and evermore!*

Call to Worship

To you, O Lord, we lift our souls, longing for you to come once again into our lives.

Surely, the Lord is our Salvation.

In you, O Lord, we would trust that goodness, wonder, and grace are drawing near.

Surely, the Lord is our Hope.

With you, O Lord, we would walk your paths of righteousness and justice.

Surely, the Lord is our Way.

Prayer of Praise and Adoration

*Hymn of Praise No. 9

O Come, O Come Emmanuel

Scripture Reading

Isaiah 2:1-5
 (Pew Bible, OT pg. 594)

Call to Confession

Unison Prayer of Confession

Lord we hear the call to prepare for your coming but we don't know how to prepare.

Should we drop everything we are doing?

We don't know what we would do instead.

Should we reorder our priorities?

We aren't sure what matters most to us anymore.

Should we try to change something about ourselves?

We already feel caught in all the change around us.

Lord forgive us for getting so used to the world as it is, that we have forgotten how to truly prepare for you.

Forgive us for living so indifferently, that we aren't sure of the difference you make in our lives.

Come quickly Lord Jesus, and save us from ourselves.

(silent prayers of confession)

Declaration of Forgiveness

How can we thank God for all the grace, the joy, the wonder which has been poured out upon us?

We will walk the paths of faithfulness and hope, bringing justice and righteousness to all people. Thanks be to God, we are forgiven!

Amen.

*Passing of the Peace

*Hymn of Response No. 11

O Lord, How Shall I Meet You?

THE WORD

Lighting the Advent Candles

Welcoming the Children

Following Welcoming the Children, age 3 yrs - 3rd Grade, will proceed downstairs for a Bible lesson. The children will return after the sermon.

Hymn

Light One Candle to Watch For Messiah

Verse 1

Light One Candle to Watch for Messiah

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1 Light one can - dle to watch for Mes - si - ah: let the
2 Light two can - dles to watch for Mes - si - ah: let the
3 Light three can - dles to watch for Mes - si - ah: let the
4 Light four can - dles to watch for Mes - si - ah: let the



light ban - ish dark - ness. He shall bring sal -
light ban - ish dark - ness. He shall feed the
light ban - ish dark - ness. Lift your heads and
light ban - ish dark - ness. He is com - ing;



va - tion to Is - rael, God ful - fills the prom - ise.
flock like a shep - herd, gent - ly lead them home - ward.
lift high the gate - way for the King of glo - ry.
tell the glad ti - dings. Let your lights be shin - ing.

This text works best when used incrementally during the four weeks of Advent. It underscores the "waiting" theme of the season and concludes appropriately with reference to Matthew 25:1-13. The tune name meaning "deep in the forest" comes from the opening of a Yiddish love song.

TEXT: Wayne L. Wold, 1984

MUSIC: Yiddish folk song; arr. Wayne L. Wold, 1984

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Scripture Reading

Romans 13:11-14 (NT p. 152)
Matthew 24:36-44 (NT p. 26)

Anthem

Prepare Ye The Way of the Lord (Isaiah 40:3-5)

Allen Pote, 1978

Chancel Choir

Prepare ye the way, the way of the Lord.

Make straight in the desert a highway for our God.

*And every valley shall be lifted up, and every mountain and hill be made low,
and the rough places a plain, and the glory of the Lord shall be revealed,
and all flesh shall see it together, for the mouth of the Lord hath spoken it.*

Sermon

“Keep Hope Awake”
Dr. Dan DeBevoise

Affirmation of Faith p. 14

The Apostles’ Creed

Prayers of the People and the Lord’s Prayer

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

O Savior Sweet, O Savior Kind

J. S. Bach

*Doxology

SENDING

*Hymn No. 2

Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus

Charge and Benediction

Choral Response

While We Are Waiting Come

Cloninger/Cason, 1986

Postlude

Rejoice

James Denton

***All who are able may stand**

Sanctuary flowers this day are given to the glory of God by

- **Dick and Marie Butler** in loving memory of our daughter, **Lori Anne Butler**, who passed away on December 1, 1991.
- **The Dotherow family** in loving memory of **Alberta Dotherow**, whose birthday was November 26, and Alberta’s son, **Bob Dotherow**, who passed away on November 29, 2005.

November Ushers are Susan Gantt, Linda Beaty, Maria Larr, Katherine Kelley, Susan Frith and Nancy Jones.

Isaiah 2:1-5

The word that Isaiah son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem.

2 In days to come

the mountain of the Lord’s house

shall be established as the highest of the mountains,

and shall be raised above the hills; all the nations shall stream to it.

3 Many peoples shall come and say,

‘Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the house of the God of Jacob;
that he may teach us his ways and that we may walk in his paths.’

For out of Zion shall go forth instruction, and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem.

4 He shall judge between the nations, and shall arbitrate for many peoples;

they shall beat their swords into ploughshares, and their spears into pruning-hooks;
nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more.

Romans 13:11-14

11 Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; 12the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armour of light; 13let us live honourably as in the day, not in revelling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarrelling and jealousy. 14Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

Matthew 24:36-44

36 ‘But about that day and hour no one knows, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. 37For as the days of Noah were, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. 38For as in those days before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day Noah entered the ark, 39and they knew nothing until the flood came and swept them all away, so too will be the coming of the Son of Man. 40Then two will be in the field; one will be taken and one will be left. 41Two women will be grinding meal together; one will be taken and one will be left. 42Keep awake therefore, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming. 43But understand this: if the owner of the house had known in what part of the night the thief was coming, he would have stayed awake and would not have let his house be broken into. 44Therefore you also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour.

Copies of the 2016 Advent Devotional are available in the narthex or by asking an usher; one devotional per family, please.



Advent Vespers... Please join us for Advent vespers this evening at 5:30pm.

We'll gather in the choir loft to sing Christmas Carols.

Opportunities for the Week

November 27, First Sunday of Advent

11:45am Choir Rehearsal

5:30pm Advent Vespers (S)

Monday

9:30am PW Bible Study (C1)

11:00am PW Team (P)

12:00pm Men's study/lunch (SH)

Tuesday

10:30am Staff (C1)

7:00pm Scouts (SH)

Wednesday

9:30am CCC Chapel (S)

7:00pm Session (SH)

Friday

5-9:00pm Christmas at FAVO

Saturday

9:00am Hanging of the Greens (S)

12:00pm Rehearsal

Next Sunday, December 4

Second Sunday of Advent

2 Cents a Meal

11:45am Gingerbread/Nativity Build,
see insert for registration (SH)

6:30pm Chancel Choir Concert (S)

Prime Timers to Casa Feliz, Winter Park

Thursday, December 8

Join us for a guided tour of Casa Feliz Historic Home Museum decorated for Christmas (suggested donation \$5). We'll lunch at Maestro Cucina Napoletana on S. Park Av. (8 lunch specials under \$10, others \$12.50 & up.) We'll leave the parking lot at 9:30am. Reservations/information: contact **Bonnie McKnight, 407-886-4891**.

P.W.'s Russell Home Angel Tree is displayed in Struble Hall. Please pick up an Angel (or 2) and return your gift (unwrapped) to the basket under the tree.



Hanging of the Greens

Saturday, December 3, 9am

Join us for the Hanging of the Greens. We'll meet in the sanctuary to enjoy coffee and donuts while decorating.



Gingerbread House or Nativity Build

Next Sunday, December 4, 11:45am

Habitat for Humanity and Refugee Ministry benefit when you build a Gingerbread House or Nativity at our Gingerbread event.



December P.L.O.W. Schedule

(Park Lake on Wednesdays)

6pm in Struble Hall

December 7, Theme: Christmas Decorating

Menu: Rotisserie Chicken

December 21, Program:

Christmas Drama by Anne Gardepe

Menu: Ham



Bringing Christmas Cheer To Zebra House Youth

Once again Park Lake has the opportunity to bring Christmas cheer and warmth to a special group of youth who are homeless because of their LGBTQ orientation. Zebra Coalition provides living quarters for a limited number of youth, counseling, study facilities and social activities for them and drop-ins, thereby keeping them from a life on the streets and using a bridge or a forest area for shelter. Their facility is on Mills Av., a few blocks north of Colonial Dr.



Last year our church members contributed over \$300 in gift cards. This year we are asking for gift cards in the amount of \$5-10 from fast food restaurants or \$10-20 from stores like Target or Wal Mart, to purchase clothing. These cards will be distributed at the Zebra House Christmas Party, sponsored by the Zebra Coalition.

This year we are setting a deadline of **Sunday, December 18th**, the Sunday before Christmas, for gift cards to be brought to the church. Please give them to John Franklin or David Nakagawa, who will deliver them to the Zebra Coalition.

***Thank you for your help
and generosity!***

Build a Gingerbread House or Nativity

Benefits: Habitat for Humanity & Refugee Ministry



Sunday, December 4, 2016

11:45 a.m. in Struble Hall
Park Lake Presbyterian Church
309 E. Colonial Drive
Orlando, FL 32801

For Children and Adults of all Ages!

**Lunch: \$5 for Chili, Fritos, PB&J & Fruit
~ Build a House or Nativity: \$5 per kit~**

Please R.S.V.P. by November 27, 2016

Please complete the form below & leave in the Offering Plate
OR

RSVP to erincook@cfl.rr.com

Sponsored by Esther Circle

Additional donations are welcome!

***If you would like to donate candy for Gingerbread House/Nativity toppings, please contact Anne Vercheski at avercheski@cfl.rr.com.**

Name: _____

#Adults _____ #Children _____

#Gingerbread kits _____ #Nativity kits _____ (\$5/kit)