# Riverlawn Presbyterian Church Expressing Our Love to God in Worship December 4, 2022 — 10:30 am Service 2nd Sunday of Advent

Chris Kilbert, Pastor
Pam Johnson, Choir Director/Organist
Liturgist, Sherry Marcum

Joining in Worship

Prelude "Hark! The Herald Angels Sing" Mendelssohn/Tornquist

**Lighting Second Candle of Advent - "PEACE"**Offered by the Marcum Family

\*Singing Praise "It Came upon the Midnight Clear" #251

\*Confessing Our Sins

\*Receiving Forgiveness

God's Gift of Song "Come, Messiah!" Larson

Elementary age children are dismissed to Junior Church. Nurseries are also provided for children up to age 5.

Hearing God's Word Jeremiah 33:14-16; Luke 21:25-36

"The Day Is Coming!"

Celebration of the Lord's Supper

Giving Back to God

Offertory "When Love Was Born" Soloist: Bill Bryan

Doxology

**Expressing Our Hearts in Prayer** 

Lord's Prayer

\*Singing Praise "I Heard the Bells on Christmas Day" (vs. 1-4) #267

\*Receiving God's Blessing

**Postlude** "The Holly and the Ivy" English Carol

(We ask that you please remain in your pews until our acolytes have extinguished the candles and the Postlude has ended. Thank you.)

(\*) Congregation please stand if able.

We ask that you please **refrain from using cell phones/mobile devices** for the duration of the worship service. This will greatly reduce the likelihood of losing the broadcast for those worshiping with us virtually. Thank you for your part in helping us provide every opportunity for our church family and beyond to worship the Lord together.

#### GUESTS

We are glad that you could worship with us today! We hope you will join us again! Your children are important to us. Childcare is provided during the service.

#### **FELLOWSHIP**

\*Please join us in the gym for refreshments and fellowship after the service today. Thank you Pam Johnson for providing the refreshments.

\*Sunday School for both children and adults is offered at 9:30 a.m. (The adult class meets in the gym). If you would like the weekly lesson notes emailed to you, just let Jamie Albert or Pastor Chris know.

\*Family Night, Wednesday, December 7 beginning with dinner at 5:30. Following dinner there will be worship, music and activities for children and youth and a time for fellowship for adults. Volunteers for clean-up would be appreciated.

\*Choir Thursday, 7:00 p.m.

\*Items needed for **Christmas Food Baskets** (please see signup-insert).

December 4—Cake mixes and icing

December 11—Shampoo, soap, toothbrushes, toothpaste

Thank you for your **Christmas Poinsettia** orders. They will be picked up at Gritts on Friday, December 9 and will be in the sanctuary for the 11th, 14th and 18th and can be picked up after the Christmas Eve service.

There will be a Congregational Meeting after **next Sunday's** worship service to present the slate of officers for election. For Elder: Jamie Albert and Sharon Herndon; for Deacon: Mimi Albert and Sherry Marcum.

Next Wednesday (December 14th) at 6:40, Pam will be sharing information about some popular Carols, playing a couple of arrangements and inviting you to sing along on some tunes. Join us for 'Carols Around the Keyboard.'

#### Riverlawn Presbyterian Church strives to:

Purge ourselves of pride by focusing on glorifying God Teach the truth through fellowship & discipleship Demonstrate a life of love through service to others Share the gospel of Jesus Christ with those in need

Purge Pride, Teach Truth, Live Love

**December 4 – Second Sunday of Advent: Read Romans 15:4-13** The holiday season is often filled with occasions for hospitality and celebration. As we prepare to welcome the birth of our Lord, how are you also "welcoming one another" (verse 7)? How might we seek the sort of unity and reconciliation Paul encourages between the Jews and Gentiles in our own communities today?

#### JUNIOR CHURCH

Today—Kathy Barnes Next Sunday—No Junior Church

#### **TODDLER NURSERY**

Mimi Albert

Volunteers are needed to help out in the nursery during the church services.

#### **BUILDING SECURITY CHECK**

This week—Jamie Albert Next week—Joe Lothes

#### AFTER-CHURCH LOCK-UP FOR DECEMBER

Mary Reppert

#### PRAYER CONCERNS

Eleanor Reeves (Laura Cottrill); Michelle Flint (Casey Stribling); Katie Price (Joanna Kellar); Linda Means; Betty McAdam; Nancy Young; Kayla and Brandon (Kathy Barnes); Randy Dodrill and family; Lauren (Ron & Sherry Claar's granddaughter); Beverly Day (Wanda Smith); John and Nan Bedick; Paul Vaughn; David, Laura and Max Brubaker (Janet Brubaker); Joanna Keller; Sherri Drake (Ann Cox); Dave and Joyce Ryan; Jason Barnes' friend and friend's mother; Hannah Bowman; Roger McBride (Linda Wilson); Jane Lothes; JB Recknagel; Casey Stribling; Lakyn Kilbert; David Blevins (Donald & Sherry Marcum); Linda Means; Janet Young; Doris Kellam; Charlie Kellam; Mick Hughes (Caroline Dodrill); and for the Global Church that we may embody the gospel to all.

Prayer list for churches of WV Presbytery and our Nyeri partnership church of the week of **December 4**—Church: Muthaini; Parish: Wandumbi; Summersville Presbyterian Church; First Presbyterian Church, Nitro; First Presbyterian Church, Williamstown.

### RIVERLAWN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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## **Christmas Food Baskets**

We are looking for people to sponsor families this year, help assemble the baskets (Friday, December 16 <sup>th</sup> ), and to help distribute the food baskets (Saturday, December 18 <sup>th</sup> )! Please complete this insert and place it in the offering plate. Any questions or concerns, feel free to contact Joe Lothes or the church office.
I will sponsor a family. This includes purchasing a gallon of milk, a loaf of bread and a hand-held can opener. Also, contacting your family to let them know when they pick up their box.
I will help assemble baskets on Friday, December 16, beginning at 6:00 p.m.
I will help distribute baskets on Saturday, December 17, beginning at 9:00 a.m.
Name:
Phone Number:

