THE SESSION

Cathy Conn & Carol Hartmann, Co-Clerks of Session

2024 2025 2023 Cathy Conn Thomas Douglas Ann Douglas Matthew Perry Jennifer Hacker Jill McCullough **Betty Muse** Carol Hartmann **Brad Harville**

THE DEACONS

Cathy Dawson, Moderator of the Deacons

2023 2024 2025 Lois Bringhurst Anuji Abraham Mardi Crosser

Cathy Dawson Deb Kelly Kay Hardy-Hines Brenda Miller

TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

11:00 a.m. LiveStream

MINISTERS The Congregation **PASTOR** Rev. Steven Jewell DIRECTOR OF THE TRINITY CENTER FOR FAITH & ART Candy Wheat DIRECTOR OF MUSIC MINISTRY Melissa Weaver **DIRECTOR OF CHILDREN & YOUTH HANDBELLS** Wonjoo Ahn

PIANIST/ORGANIST **CE COORDINATOR** Rebecca Perry **CHURCH & FINANCIAL SECRETARY Sherry Pritts** Laura Olliges FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATOR Stratus Building Solutions CUSTODIAN/MAINTENANCE PRESCHOOL DIRECTOR Elizabeth Bodine LITURGIST Mary Harville 502-245-5515 **TELEPHONE ADDRESS** 10200 Shelbyville Road, Louisville, KY 40223

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December 17, 2023

Worship Service December 17, 2023

The Third Sunday of Advent

If you are visiting us today, we are so glad to worship God together with you. To learn more about who we are and what God is doing through us, please fill out one of the visitor cards available in the lobby.

As we worship God, we ask that you please silence your cell phones.

GATHERING TOGETHER

GATHERING SONG O Come, All Ye Faithful (v. 3) #41

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mary Harville

PRELUDE Silent Night Adult Handbells
Jason Krug

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH – The Candle of Joy

based on Isaiah 9:2–3, 11:1–3a Nick & Whitney Schuler

Leader: The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light;

those who dwelt in a land of deep darkness on them has light

shone.

People: You have multiplied the nation; you have increased its joy;

they rejoice before you as with joy at the harvest, as they

are glad when they divide the spoil.

Leader: There shall come forth a shoot from the stump of Jesse, a

branch from his roots shall bear fruit.

People: And the Spirit of the LORD shall rest upon him, the Spirit

of wisdom and understanding, the Spirit of counsel and might, the Spirit of knowledge and the fear of the LORD.

All: And his delight shall be in the fear of the LORD.

CONGREGATIONAL SONG

Once in Royal David's City (vv. 1, 2 & 4) #49

Giving Opportunity

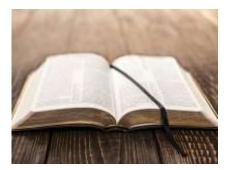
Bibles, Teaching & Training Materials Needed

Pastor Prasad Aghamkar, the pastor of **Eternal Life Asian Church** that worships here in our Fellowship Hall one Saturday per month, is leaving on a special mission trip to India December 22. He will be gone 3 weeks.

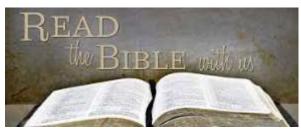
He will be visiting many of the poorest churches in India who are currently without leadership as many of the churches lost their pastors due to COVID. He will be training lay people from the churches to take over leading the congregations.

In order to accomplish this, he needs bibles and other training materials. Most of these churches are unable to afford bibles for their members.

If you are led to contribute to this very important venture for Pastor Prasad, you may go the Website of **Northeast Christian Church**, click on "give today", and designate Indian Church Ministry Fund, Account #4123, to give to Pastor Prasad's mission trip. Thank you!!



Through the Bible Together



Let's join one another in reading through the Bible together. There is no greater book we can immerse ourselves in or invest our time in reading than God's Word. The schedule we will follow is the "Five Day Bible Reading" plan. This plan assigns an Old

Testament and New Testament passage to read for five days each week. That way, if we get behind, we always have two "make up" days to get caught up.

Setting aside regular time in God's Word, by listening to the voice of God and hearing the Holy Spirit apply truth to our lives, will grow us individually and collectively as devoted followers of Jesus Christ.

Week Fifty-One: December 17-23

Job 12-14; Revelation 13

Job 15-17; Revelation 14

Job 18-20; Psalm 141; Revelation 15

Job 21-23; Psalm 101; Revelation 16

Job 24-27: Revelation 17

Prayer Concerns

John Hansen (brother in-law of Jim & Elizabeth McDaniel); Phil Strohmeier; David Strohmeier (son of Phil & Linda); Carol Redd; Ghyll Simoneschi, Toka Moody (friend of Sherry), Amy Crosser, Harry Jewell, Jack & Deb Kelly, Mark Smith (a friend of Jim McDaniel), Candy Wheat, Barb Sheeler; Nick Hoffert, Sandy Koukola; Randy Lind (son-in-law of Kay Nolan's friend, Mary); Greta Bemisderfer, Jackie Morrow, Rev. Ed Gayhart, Roger Harvell (job search), Skip & Joyce Berry (lung transplant), Carol Redd, MaKenna Ellis, Amanda Norris (Kay Hardy-Hines' next-door neighbor having neck surgery), Roger Harvell's dad, and peace in the world.

GATHERING UNISON PRAYER

Mary Harville

Almighty God, you who shaped out of nothing all that is, forgive us for returning empty-handed. You who called forth light, forgive our preference for the dark! You who sent John to be a voice crying, forgive our unwillingness to say anything at all! Create in us clean hearts, O God, and renew a right spirit within us. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

ANTHEM See Amid the Winter's Snow

Arr. Susan Brumfield

GROWING IN THE WORD

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE Rebecca Perry

Children may depart to children's church at this time.

SCRIPTURE READING Luke 2:4–6 Andy Cannava

CAROL O Little Town of Bethlehem #44

SCRIPTURE READING Luke 2:7 Andy Cannava

CAROL Away in a Manger #25

SCRIPTURE READING Luke 2:8–14 Andy Cannava

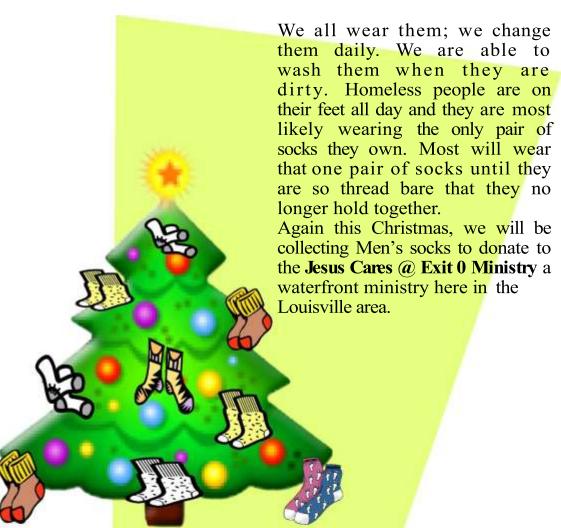
CAROL Hark! The Herald Angels Sing #31

SCRIPTURE READING Luke 2:15–18 Andy Cannava

CAROL Go! Tell It on the Mountain #29

PRESENTING OUR OFFERING TO GOD
Offertory Green Sleeves Lincoln Hall
Doxology Guitar

Operation Warm Feet



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OPPORTUNITIES for the WEEK

SUNDAY (12/17)	9:45 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	Sunday School In-person Worship LiveStream Worship
MONDAY (12/18)	10:00 a.m.	Digging Deeper Class (Library)
TUESDAY (12/19)	9:00 – 5:00	Autism Pottery Classes
WEDNESDAY (12/20)	9:30 – 11:30 a.m. 10:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m.	Sew 'n Sews F&A Open Studio Bell Choir Practice Chancel Choir Rehearsal
SUNDAY (12/24)	9:45 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	Sunday School In-person Worship

Financial Statistics

	Year to date thru November	Budget to Date
Pledges	\$157, 346	\$175,010
Donations	\$ 64,590	\$ 77,371

November 2023 Attendance Statistics

In-person at 11:00 a.m. 11/5—78, 11/12—68, 11/19—67, 11/26—71 Average = 71

Communion was served at church on 11/5 to 70. Communion served to homebound: 3

(Previous year statistics: November 2022 average in-person =67)

The flowers today given in by Andy & Madison Cannava, in celebration of Madison's birthday!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY, MADISON!!





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GOING INTO THE WORLD

CLOSING PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER

Jude Bloor-Brandt

SENDING SONG

Joy to the World (v. 2)

#40

"The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all the things they had heard and seen, which were just as they had been told."

(Luke 2:20)

Scripture reading for next week:

SENSING THE SAVIOR: The Touch of Christmas Luke 2:1–7

love. grow. serve.

SINGLES FUN BUNCH!

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Come join us for lunch at Selena's after church on Sunday, January 14, 2024.

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