

THE SESSION

Cathy Conn & Carol Hartmann, Co-Clerks of Session

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

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

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December 3, 2023

Worship Service December 3, 2023

The First 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

CHIMING OF THE HOUR Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silent Adult Choir
(Robert Hobby)

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE There's a Song in the Air Handbell Choir

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH – The Candle of Hope Psalm 33:18–22

Leader: Behold, the eye of the LORD is on those who fear him, on those who hope in his steadfast love.

People: He will deliver from death the soul of those who trust him, and will keep them well fed amid famine.

Leader: Our soul waits for the LORD; he is our help and our shield.

People: Our heart is glad in him, because we trust in his holy name.

All: Let your steadfast love, O LORD, be upon us, even as we hope in you.

SPECIAL MUSIC Dance and Sing for the Lord Will be with Us Adult Choir

Hebrew Folk Melody
arr. Hal H. Hopson

GATHERING PRAYER

CONGREGATIONAL SONG

Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus #2

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 Forty-Nine: December 3-9
Esther 7-10; Revelation 3
Ezra 7-10; Psalm 97; Revelation 4
Nehemiah 1-3; Revelation 5
Nehemiah 4-6; Psalm 98; Revelation 6
Nehemiah 7-9; Psalm 140; Revelation 7

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, and peace in the world.

HANGING OF THE CHRISTMAS GREEN

DECORATING THE SANCTUARY

THE GARLAND AND GREENERY Comfort Comfort Ye My People
arr. Brenda Austin

THE POINSETTIAS Watchman Tell Us of the Night (v. 1) #20

THE CANDLES AND LIGHTS
Good Christian Friends, Rejoice (vv. 1–2) #28

THE CHRISTMAS TREE
Hark! The Herald Angels Sing (vv. 1–2) #31

THE NATIVITY Away in a Manger (vv. 1–2) #25

GROWING IN THE WORD

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE
Children may depart to children’s church at this time.

SCRIPTURE READING Luke 1:8–23

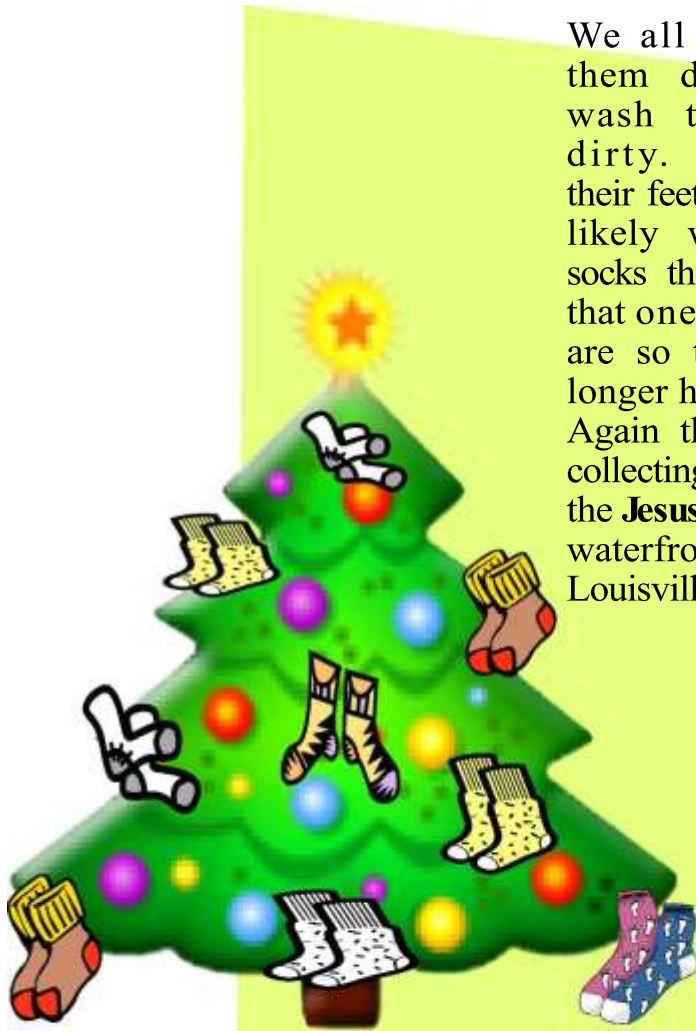
SERMON Pastor Steve
SENSING THE SAVIOR: The Sights of Christmas

PRESENTING OUR OFFERING TO GOD
Offertory
Doxology

SONG OF PREPARATION
O Little Town of Bethlehem (vv. 1 & 4) #44

CELEBRATING THE LORD’S SUPPER

Operation Warm Feet



We all wear them; we change them daily. We are able to wash them when they are dirty. Homeless people are on their feet all day and they are most likely wearing the only pair of socks they own. Most will wear that one pair of socks until they are so thread bare that they no longer hold together.

Again this Christmas, we will be collecting Men's socks to donate to the **Jesus Cares @ Exit 0 Ministry** a waterfront ministry here in the Louisville area.

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PLEASE BRING YOUR DONATION OF
MEN'S SOCKS TO CHURCH DURING
THE MONTH OF DECEMBER.

OPPORTUNITIES for the WEEK

SUNDAY (12/3)	9:45 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 3:00 p.m.	Sunday School In-person Worship LiveStream Worship Barb Sheeler Memorial
TUESDAY (12/5)	9:00 – 5:00	Autism Pottery Classes
WEDNESDAY (12/6)	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 (12/10)	11:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	In-person Worship LiveStream Worship

From Your Finance Committee

	Year-to-date thru October 2023	Budget to Date
Pledges	\$149,347	\$159,100
Donors	\$ 60,645	\$ 70,338

* We have \$37,000 of unpaid pledges at this time; if you made a pledge for 2023, please check your September quarterly statement or call Sherry in the office for what is yet unpaid and complete your pledge. Much appreciated!

The flowers today given in honor of the Trinity chancel and handbell choirs, and grateful appreciation for Melissa Weaver!



Thank you, Melissa, and members
of our choirs!!



Sing for a Season . . . or Longer!

Come sing with the choir for Advent and Christmas, and longer if you choose. We are looking for a few more voices for the season, especially Sopranos and Altos, but Tenors and Basses will be welcomed too!

This seasonal music is wonderful, and we only rehearse from 7–8 p.m. on Wednesday evening. If you need a ride, let us know. We prepare well ahead by rehearsing 6–7 anthems each week. No audition required and we will seat you with a choir “helper” if you wish.

You won’t regret sharing your time and your voice with us! Truly!

GOING INTO THE WORLD

CLOSING PRAYER & THE LORD’S PRAYER

SENDING BLESSING

Joy to the World (v. 1)

#40

Scripture reading for next week:

SENSING THE SAVIOR: The Sounds of Christmas
Luke 1:39–45

Barb Sheeler Memorial Today

Please join us for a celebration of God’s faithfulness to and through Barb Sheeler today at Trinity Presbyterian Church beginning at 3 pm. If you would like to read Barb’s obituary, please go to <https://www.newcomerkentuckiana.com/Obituary/270873/Barbara-Sheeler/Louisville-KY>

The Jewell and Sheeler families would also like to thank all of you for your prayers and support."



TPW Women's Circle
Tuesday, December 12, 2023, 10:30 a.m.
in the parlor

This month we will have a Christmas program. Please come and share a Christmas story, family tradition, special ornament, etc. with us.

The business meeting will begin at 10:30, followed by our sharing time and refreshments, coffee, and water. We will adjourn at noon.

ALL ARE WELCOME!



If you would like to support the ministry of Trinity Presbyterian Church, simply scan this QR code with the camera on your smartphone, and you will be redirected to our secure online giving Website. Or, visit our Website, www.tpclouisville.net and click the "Give Now" box at the top of the page.

Thank you for giving in faith and for investing in the Lord's on-going ministry of changing lives for the glory of God.

Maryhurst Holiday Gift Drive

There are just a few names left on the list for the Maryhurst Holiday Gift Drive! Please consider helping to bring Trinity Presbyterian Church love and joy to the Maryhurst residents this Christmas! Children's names and their want lists are available for selection on the table in the Narthex. Please choose a child or two from the list to shop for. Once you make your selection, write your name, email address and phone number on the sign-up sheet next to the number or numbers that are found at the top of the page you have selected. After signing up, be sure to take the page with the child's information with you so you will know the sizes and colors of the items they want for Christmas! **Please return all gifts unwrapped to Trinity by Wednesday December 13th** so they can be delivered to Maryhurst by the due date. Any questions please call Ann Douglas 502-810-4801. Thanks for your generosity!



DARTBALL RESULTS

Monday, November 27, 2023
vs. Portland Presbyterian Church

Game 1	W	11-1 on 13 hits
Game 2	W	6-5 on 5 hits, 1 error
Game 3	L	7-6 on 7 hits

Record 19-11 (1st Place!)

Next match Monday, January 8, 2024, Away, 7:00 p.m.
vs. St. Matthews Baptist Church