

MORNING WORSHIP
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 4, 2011
Eight-Forty Five & Eleven O'Clock Worship Services
Eleven O'Clock Broadcast over WLNI 105.9 FM

WE ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

Prelude In Dulci Jubilo M. Drischner

Westminster Chimes

Call to Worship

Leader: Praise the Lord, the God of Israel! He has come to save his people.

All: Our God has given us a mighty Savior from the family of David his servant.

Leader: Long ago the Lord promised to save us from our foes. God said he would be kind to his chosen people.

All: We shall serve our God without fear. We shall be holy and good as long as we live.

*Hymn (see insert) Watchman, Tell Us of the Night St. George's Windsor

*Prayer of Adoration and the Lord's Prayer

The Lighting of the Advent Candle (seated congregational response)

Israel's strength and consolation, hope of all the earth Thou art;
Dear desire of every nation, joy of every longing heart.

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Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

Merciful God, we confess that we have tried to take charge of our lives only to be caught in snares and traps too large for us to handle. We acknowledge our weakness and our tendency to lose sight of your presence in the midst of the trying times of life. Your voice calls to us, but we are quick to dismiss the words of your prophets. We rationalize away our need to change. Forgive us, we pray. Help us to respond to your call by preparing for the Lord's appearing. May Christ find us bearing the fruit that befits repentance. We pray in his name. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

*Affirmation of Faith (see insert) The Ten Commandments

*Gloria Grotorex

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen.

Concerns of the Church

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

Children's Moment

WORSHIP WORKSHOP - for ages 3 & 4 and K & 1st grades. Children are to be picked up after the service from Room 9, Ground Floor.

Call to Offering

Offertory (8:45) Creator of the Stars of Night R. Weidner

Anthem (11:00) Wilt Not Thou Turn Again P. Dietterich

Wilt not thou turn again, O God, and quicken us, that thy people may rejoice in thee?
Show us thy mercy, O God, and grant us thy salvation.

*Doxology Lasst uns erfreuen

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him all creatures here below; Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise him above ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

*Prayer of Dedication

Old Testament Lesson: Psalm 85 (pew Bible pp. 543-544)
(Caleb Williams - 11:00 A.M. Reader)

New Testament Lesson: Mark 1:1-8 (pew Bible p. 34)

Meditation **"From Out of the Blue"** John M. Scholer

*Hymn #7 Lord Christ, When First You Came to Earth Mit Freuden zart

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Words of Institution

Reception of the Sacrament

Prayer of Commitment

*Hymn #535 Go with Us, Lord Tallis' Canon

*Benediction and Choral Response

*Postlude From Heaven Above to Earth I Come J. Pachelbel

*Those who are able, please stand

* * * * The ushers will seat worshipers

**WELCOME TO
FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

We welcome all who have joined us for worship today. All worshippers are asked to sign the friendship pad as it is passed during the Concerns of the Church. We're glad you're here!

Church Membership: If you are without a church home in Lynchburg, you would be warmly welcomed into our fellowship. The Session meets in the History Room to receive new members immediately following each worship service on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month.

Infants and Young Children: Children are always welcome in the worship service. If your child needs attention, you are welcome to sit in the Narthex where you can still hear the worship service, or you may want to take your child to the Nursery (Room #8, Ground Floor). An usher will be happy to assist you.

If you are hearing impaired, we have special devices available in the Narthex before the service. Simply ask an usher for help.

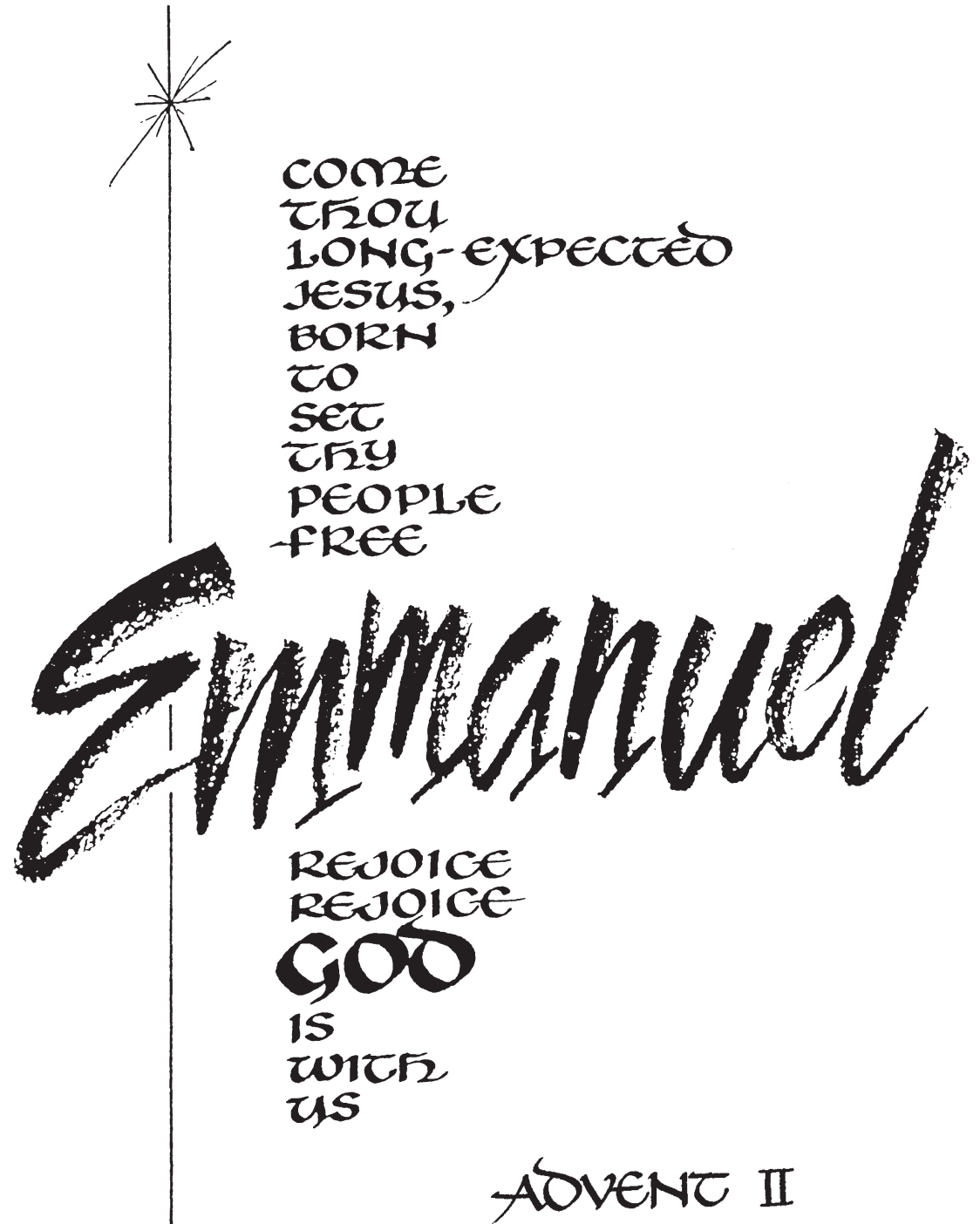
TWO CENTS A MEAL offering will be received this morning.

HANGING OF THE GREENS: A service for the Hanging of the Greens will take place tonight at 5:00 P.M. Come on out to see the sanctuary come to life with seasonal decorations. As we decorate the church, not only will the history of the symbols be explained, but they, as well as ourselves, will be dedicated to the glory of God and God's Son.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS for the Chancel Choir's *Service of Lessons and Carols*. Next Sunday, December 11, at 4:00 P.M. the choir will present a service of familiar carols, traditional readings from the scriptures, and anthems of the Christmas season in a delightful package guaranteed to put you in the Christmas spirit. Invite your friends and neighbors to this family-friendly program.

THE CANCELLATION OF FPC worship services and programs due to bad weather will be reported to WSLS (Channel 10), WSET (Channel 13), and our web site www.fpclly.org.

December 4 – 5:00 P.M.	Hanging of the Greens
December 4 – 6:00 P.M.	Advent Dinner
December 11 – 4:00 P.M.	Service of Lessons & Carols
December 18 – 9:30 A.M.	Congregational Breakfast
December 24 – 5:00 P.M.	Christmas Eve – Family Service
December 24 – 11:00 P.M.	Christmas Eve – Communion Service
December 25 – 11:00 A.M.	Worship – one service only [no Sunday School]
January 1 – 11:00 A.M.	Worship – one service only [no Sunday School]



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Meggan Farwell, *Associate Pastor for C.E./Youth*
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