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Hope

Restore us, oh God!
Make your face shine that
we can be saved!



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Morning Worship
November 29, 2026
8:15 & 10:30am

A warm welcome! The Lord calls all of us to a new way of living under His wonderful grace in our Savior. If you are our guest, it is a pleasure to have you worshipping with us. Please help us to get to know who you are by introducing yourself. Thank you.

PRELUDE Chorale on "Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring" Bach
Voluntary on "Comfort, Comfort Now My People" Manz

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH
8:15 Bob and Lisa LeDonne
10:30 Nick and Morgan Bradley

CALL TO WORSHIP (Responsively)
M. To You, O LORD, I lift up my soul.
P. My God, in You I trust; let me not be put to shame; let not my enemies exult over me.
M. Make me to know Your ways, O LORD; teach me Your paths.
P. Lead me in Your truth and teach me, for You are the God of my salvation; for You I wait all the day long.

***HYMN No. 124** Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus

***CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION** (In unison)
Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart and mind and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. In Your mercy, forgive what we have been. By the strength of the Holy Spirit let us amend what we are and direct what we shall be, that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name.

***MOMENT OF SILENT AND PERSONAL CONFESSION**

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON** (Responsively)
M. Remember Your mercy, O LORD, and Your steadfast love, for You are from the beginning.
P. The Lord is faithful and just to forgive our sin and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

***GLORIA PATRI** No. 623

SCRIPTURE READING Deuteronomy 8:11-14, 17-18

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER
(Debts and Debtors)

ANTHEM Veni Emanuel Chancel Choir
(10:30)
OFFERTORY

***DOXOLOGY** No. 624

***HYMN No. 435** What a Friend We Have in Jesus

SCRIPTURE READING Philippians 4:10-13

SERMON "Joy In A Contented Life" Doug Rehberg

THE SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

***HYMN No. 292** God of Grace and God of Glory

***BENEDICTION AND CHORAL RESPONSE** No. 42

Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart
Rejoice, ye pure in heart, Rejoice, give thanks, and sing. Your festal banner wave on high, The cross of Christ your King. Rejoice, rejoice, Rejoice, give thanks and sing! Amen.

POSTLUDE "Nun Danket Alle Gott" Karg-Elert

***Those who are able may stand**

This Week's Activities

Sunday, November 29 - 1st Sunday in Advent

- **8:15AM** Worship Service, Communion
- **9:15AM** Refresh **No Jumpstart**
- **10:30AM** Worship Service, Communion, Kids Worship, Child Care
- **6:30PM** Youth Fellowship (9-12 grades) Campfire

Monday, November 30

- **9:30AM** Counters
- **6:00PM** PNC Meeting
- **6:30PM** GriefShare

Tuesday, December 1

- **11:00AM** Staff Meeting
- **6:00PM** M Team Meeting
- **6:30PM** Boy & Cub Scouts

Wednesday, December 2

- **7:30AM** Norwin Men's Prayer Fellowship
- **10AM–11:30AM** Food Pantry Open
- **5:30PM** Youth Choir
- **6:00PM** Youth Club K-5 & 6-8
- **6:00PM** TOPS
- **7:00PM** Chancel Choir

Thursday, December 3

- **5:00PM** Gingerbread Bake Set Up
- **7:00PM** Bell Choir

Friday, December 4

- **10:00AM** Food Pantry
- **1:00PM** Knit-Wit(nesses) for the Lord
- **5:00PM** Irwin Cookie Tour

Saturday, December 5

- **1:00PM** Gingerbread House Build

Sunday, December 6 - 2nd Sunday in Advent

- **8:15AM** Worship Service, Baptism
- **9:15AM** Jumpstart
- **10:30AM** Confirmation Class
- **10:30AM** Worship Service, Baptism, New Members Received,
- Kids Worship, Child Care
- **11:30AM** Cheapest Lunch hosted by the Youth Deacons
- **12:30PM** All Church Hymn Sing-A-Long
- **6:30PM** Youth Fellowship (9-12 Grades)

Deuteronomy 8:11-14, 17-18

11 "Take care lest you forget the Lord your God by not keeping his
commandments and his rules and his statutes, which I
command you today,
12 lest, when you have eaten and are full and have built good
houses and live in them,
13 and when your herds and flocks multiply and your silver and
gold is multiplied and all that you have is multiplied,
14 then your heart be lifted up, and you forget the Lord your God,
who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of
slavery.
17 Beware lest you say in your heart, 'My power and the might of
my hand have gotten me this wealth.'
18 You shall remember the Lord your God, for it is he who gives
you power to get wealth, that he may confirm his covenant that
he swore to your fathers, as it is this day.

Philippians 4:10-13

I0 I rejoiced in the Lord greatly that now at length you have
revived your concern for me. You were indeed concerned for me,
but you had no opportunity.
11 Not that I am speaking of being in need, for I have learned in
whatever situation I am to be content.
12 I know how to be brought low, and I know how to abound. In
any and every circumstance, I have learned the secret of facing
plenty and hunger, abundance and need.
13 I can do all things through him who strengthens me.

Praise and Thank you

From those supported by the church and its many activities and outreach programs, for the food bank at this time of continued Thanksgiving knowing that each of us can share with someone less fortunate. For our newly elected elders: Heather Baker, Mark Claycomb, Mandy Luchs, and Andy Waszyn. For our newly elected Deacons: Stevenson Guffey, Lisa LeDonne, Ina Marton, and Adela Umeikai. And all God's people say with shouts of joy - *Praise the Lord*. Amen!

1.) <u>The PERSPECTIVE</u> v. 10(a), “I Rejoiced in the Lord greatly.”

2.) <u>The PROVISION</u> v. 11(b), “For I have learned in whatever situation I am to be content.”

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4.) <u>The PRACTICE</u> v. 13, I can do all things through him who strengthens me.“

For your preparation: “Joy In Christ’s Riches ” Philippians 4:14-22

It's
GINGERBREAD HOUSE TIME
at First Presby Irwin

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 5
1-3 PM

RSVP BY DECEMBER 3



The children of our community are invited to attend the building of gingerbread houses on Saturday, December 5th from 1 - 3pm in the Social Hall. You must reserve your spot **no later than December 3rd**... no exceptions PLEASE... so that we can have plenty of "building materials" and do not run out of supplies. When making your reservation, please include the names and ages of all children attending. **This is a free event, however, one bag each of powdered sugar & candy are requested for each child signed up.**

<u>This is an adult + child event</u>
Reservations can be made by contacting:
heather@firstpresbyirwin.org -OR-
use the Sign Up Genius QR Code to volunteer or reserve your space.

We also need your help! Donations of materials and time are crucial to the success of this event! We need:

- POWDERED SUGAR to make the icing;
- CANDY DONATIONS to decorate the houses;
- RSVP's for anyone coming to the event;
- ICING MAKERS on Thursday, December 3rd to help us make the icing;
- KITCHEN AID MIXERS (to borrow) to use that Thursday to make all the icing.

If you can **volunteer your time and/or your Kitchen Aid mixer,** please contact: Heather Duckett.

Some candy suggestions:

☐ Chocolate Kisses	☐ Candy Canes	☐ Twizzlers
☐ Cinn. Toast Cereal	☐ Winter/Waffle Pretzels	☐ Winter Peeps
☐ Tootsie Rolls	☐ Legos Candy	☐ Gumdrops
☐ M&M's	☐ Smarties	☐ Nonpareils
☐ Marshmallows	☐ Gummies	☐ White Chocolate Chips

PLEASE DROP OFF ALL CANDY AND POWDERED SUGAR DONATIONS IN THE BLUE RUBBERMAID BINS IN THE ENTRYWAYS **BY December 3rd!** THANK YOU!!



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