

# Morning Worship Service



Prelude "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel" arr. Joseph M. Martin

# Welcome and Announcements

Rev. Debra McKune

#### \*Praise Music

"Awake, Awake, and Greet the New Morn" #107 "My Soul Cries Our with Joyful Shout" #100 "Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus" #82

# \*Responsive Opening Prayer

Marge Chamblin

Leader: Please God, keep people safe in the light. Please help people who do bad things to see your light---to be careful, to be kind, to find their way.

People: God, you are our light and salvation.

Leader: We thank you for light so plants can grow. We pray for people in places where there isn't enough light.

People: God, you are our light and salvation

Leader: We thank you for light and heat so we can cook and keep warm. We pray for places where there isn't enough light and heat to cook hot food and keep warm.

People: God, you are our light and salvation

Leader: We thank you for the light in our lives that makes good things grow in us. We pray for all people whose light has been taken away. We pray for people who take away other people's light. God help the world be a better place. People: God, you are our light and salvation We offer you our thanks and praise.

#### Lighting of the Advent Candle

Bettie Iane Porterfield, Deborah Chambers

# **Advent Hymn** "We Light the Advent Candles"

We light the Advent candles against the winter night, to welcome our Lord Jesus who is the world's True Light, to welcome our Lord Jesus who is the world's True Light.

# Call to Reconciliation

# Unison Prayer for Forgiveness

God, we know you love us, because Jesus tells us you do. We know you love us, because the Bible tells us you do. We're sorry that we forget to do things we should. We're sorry that we do things we shouldn't. Help us to be the people you want us to be. Amen.

# **Declaration of Forgiveness**

# \*Gloria Patri #581

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.

# Sharing the Peace of Christ

May the peace of Christ be with you. And also with you.

**Anthem** "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel" 15<sup>th</sup> Century French melody

Children's Message Elder Renee Campbell

Mrs. Chamblin Prayer for Understanding

First Reading Psalm 150 Pew Bible pg. 572

The Word of the Lord Thanks be to God

Second Reading Isaiah 60:1-9

Pew Bible pg. 676

The Word of the Lord Thanks be to God

Sermon "GrAttitude" Pastor McKune

\*Hvmn#643 "Now Thank We All Our God"

#### Affirmation of Faith Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; He descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen

# Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Call to Prayer#88 "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel" vs.1

# Prayers of the People

# The Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. Forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen

# Invitation to the Offering

Stuart Collis

Offertory

"Padre Nuestro"

James Southbridge

\*Doxology #606

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him all creatures here below; Praise him above we heavenly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.

# \*Prayer of Dedication

"People Look East" \*Hymn#105

# \*Charge and Benediction

Leader: May the God of all creation shower blessings and

favor upon you. People: And upon you.

Leader: May the Lord of the Harvest fill you and your loved

ones with peace. People: And upon you.

Leader: And may Almighty God, Creator, Son and Holy

Spirit, bless you now and forevermore.

People: Amen

\*Congregational Response#88 "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel" vs.6

**Postlude** "From Heaven Above to Earth I Came"

# Participants in today's service:

Greeters: Renee Campbell, Rob and Tina Sloan Nursery: Robin Brown, Helen Brown Children's Church: Kathy Goodell, JR Sloan Acolyte: Ellie Sloan Liturgists: Marge Chamblin, Stuart Collis

#### Announcements

Welcome to Falling Waters Presbyterian Church. We pray that God will be very real to you as you worship in spirit and in truth. Please join us for a spaghetti dinner hosted by the Sardines immediately following worship.



Please be sure to fill out a guest card and wear the guest name tag so people will know you are worshiping with us for the first time. A Hospitality Host will give you a gift bag after worship, so please make sure you identify yourself to the people wearing the yellow buttons. There

are hearing aid<del>e</del>s on the table in the vestibule for the use of those who have difficulty hearing the service. They are easy to operate.

Please keep the following folks in your hearts and prayers: Bill and Billy Berg, Pete and Scott Mekkelson, Mary Hodges, Deborah Chambers, Joan Chambers, Ethel Bovey, Sherry Manor, Jimmy Cloud, Ted Largent, Virginia Snyder, Bill Zombro, Pastor Debra, Pat Baumbaugh, Marion Bolster, Mtn. Chapel, our Session, our President,



the nation at large and our armed forces, our sister churches in Ethiopia and Shenandoah Presbytery and our missionary, Nadia Ayoub in the Ukraine.

2016 Advent Calendars, "A Journey of Memories" are available in the vestibule. Please help yourself.

The cut-off date for the Warm the Children fund is today. Checks may be made payable to "Warm the Children" and given to Patty Runkles. Cash donations are also welcome.

Plans are under way to ensure that approximately 20 disadvantaged families in our local area are provided fixings for a Christmas dinner, a turkey, gifts (for children) and other essential products. Tuscarora Presbyterian Church is already working on the food boxes and children's gifts. Therefore we here at FWPC plan to provide the turkeys and other essential necessities. This is where we need your help. Boxes have been placed in the Fellowship Hall and downstairs to collect items such as (lots of) toilet paper, paper towels, bar soap, laundry and dish washing detergent. Anyone wanting to make a donation please contact Beth Henry (274-2112) or Brenda Carper (274-3053). Items are needed no later than December 4. Your kind gestures will change lives.

If you wish to contribute money for the purchase of poinsettias in honor or memory of a loved one, please see Susie Cushwa today. Checks may be made payable to Susie. Please include with your donation the names your loved ones.

The Congregational Nurture Committee is making holiday gift bags for our shut-ins and needs your help. It is collecting small gifts such as packaged snacks, personal care items, candy, and books. A basket will be placed in Fellowship Hall for the collection. The cut off date is **December** 4. Please Donna Pill if you have any questions.

There will be a cookie and punch reception following the Christmas cantata on December 18. Cookie and finger food (no cakes or anything needing a fork) donations are needed. If you would like to contribute, please see Becky Hawthorne.

Please join us next Sunday, December 4, at 3:00 p.m., when Concerts in the Community will host Madeline MacNeil and Sam Rizzetta for a delightful performance of Christmas music on the hammered dulcimer.

The **newsletter deadline** is Tuesday morning at 9:00.



Falling Waters Presbyterian Church was established in 1745 just south of the ford of the Potomac River at Falling Waters, Virginia. In 1796 the place of worship was moved from the bend of the Potomac to Spring Mills. The present brick structure was built in 1834 after a fire had destroyed the original wooden edifice.

# The Session

Ruth Berg, Clerk of the Session

Class of 2017 Class of 2018 Class of 2016 Kathy Goodell Steve Aulabaugh Kate Lewis Brown Ron Hansen John Fleagle Crystal Mason Jessica Rugus Renee Campbell Donna Pill

#### The Trustees

John Brown John Fleagle Tink Manor Diana McKinley Becky Hawthorne Sam Tobin

# Church Staff

The Rev. Debra McKune, Pastor Fawn Fleagle, Secretary Gary Mullenax, Organist Radonna Mullenax, Choir Director Bill and Barbara Cole, Custodians

#### Church Activities

Worship Service Every Sunday at 10:00 a.m. Sunday School Every Sunday at 9:00 a.m. Praise Team Every Wednesday at 6:15 p.,m. Adult Choir Every Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. Women's Bible Study Second Wednesday of each month at 10:00 a.m. Fellowship Dinner Last Sunday of every month following Worship Session Meeting Fourth Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. Church Office Hours Monday 9-noon, Tuesday and Thursday 9:00 - 3:00 p.m. Pastor's Study Hours Monday thru Thursday 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

# Falling Waters Presbyterian Church Vision Statement

Because God first loved us, we are called to love, serve and witness.

#### Mission Statement

We, as members of the body of Christ and Falling Waters Presbyterian Church, strive to be an extended family--- reaching out to one another, our community and the world.

In offering ourselves to this sacred mission, we will show the way of Christ so that the community and the world in which we live may learn "to do justice, love mercy, and to walk humbly with God."

- - Micah 6:8

"The chief end of man is to glorify God and enjoy Him forever." -Westr



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November 27, 2016 10:00 a.m.

# "First Sunday of Advent"

The Rev. Debra McKune, Pastor The Rev. Dr. John W. Cushwa, Pastor Emeritus Ministers - All the People