

**December 1, 2019**  
**First Sunday of Advent**  
**10:30 am**

Prelude                    *Processional*                    Jan Bender

Hanging of the Greens - *The Holly and the Ivy*    French Carol

Lighting of the Advent Candle - *Hope* - *Francis Family*  
*Scott, Angie, Eva, Billy*

\* Hymn #82    *Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus*

Welcome and Announcements

\* Passing the Peace of Christ

\* Hymn #93    *Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates*

Anthem                    *Lo, How A Rose E'er Blooming*    arr. D. Allen

Scripture Reading    Isaiah 2:1-5                    Page 591

The Word with Children

*Children up to the 2<sup>nd</sup> grade are invited to "Children's Chapel"  
for worship-centered activities.*

Scripture Reading    Matthew 1:1-17                    Page 1

Sermon                    *The Family Tree of Jesus*

Welcome New Members: Kathy Fraley, Shelly Wedler,  
Cynthia Wilkerson

\* Affirmation of Faith: Belhar Confession

**We believe that God brings justice to the  
oppressed and gives bread to the hungry.  
We believe that God frees the prisoner and  
restores sight to the blind. We believe that  
God supports the downtrodden, protects the  
stranger, helps the orphans and widows, and  
blocks the path of the ungodly.**

Presentation of our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory                    *Susani*                    German Carol

\* Doxology #606

\* Prayer of Dedication

*Please wait until all have been served so we may receive  
the bread and the cup together. All baptized Christians  
may partake of the Lord's Supper.*

\* Hymn #88 (vv 1-3)    *O Come, O Come, Emmanuel*

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Great Thanksgiving

Lord's Prayer

Breaking of the Bread

Communion of the People

\* Hymn #88 (vv 4-7)    *O Come, O Come, Emmanuel*

\* Charge and Blessing

\* Postlude                    *Rejoice, Rejoice, Believers*                    Welsh

\* Please stand, if it is comfortable for you.

**Welcome to Forest Presbyterian Church!** Church School for all ages at 9:30, worship service at 10:30. Child-care for infants and toddlers is on the lower level. During the 10:30 service, children up to the second grade are invited to Children's Chapel on the lower level following The Word with Children. Older children are invited to join in the worship service.

**Visitor Cards** are located on the back of each pew. Please fill out a card to receive more information about Forest Church and our weekly email.

**Sermons of FPC** are available on our church website (forestchurch.org), or on iTunes as a free podcast. **CD's** of today's service are available at the sound booth.

**Liturgist** Sarah Heideman

**Usher** Rob Dowdle

**Today is First Sunday of Advent** - Hanging of the Greens to decorate the church for the Christmas season.

**Angle Tree** - Select an angel from our Angel Tree (**11 angels left**) and bring some Christmas cheer to others! All wrapped gifts (angel attached) need to be returned by **Sunday, December 15.**

**Decorate the Church for Christmas** - Fill out the sheet located in the Commons, attach your \$15 donation, and place in the offering plate or mail to the church office by Sunday, December 8 (**last day to order**). Questions, contact Bill Andrews.

**No Chimes or FYRE Youth Group today.**

**FYRE Youth Lock-in** Friday and Saturday, December 6, 7pm through December 7, 9am. All youth grades 6-12 are welcome! Invite your friends and come for the fellowship, food and fun.

**Kids music** rehearsal on Sunday, December 8, 2:15 pm.

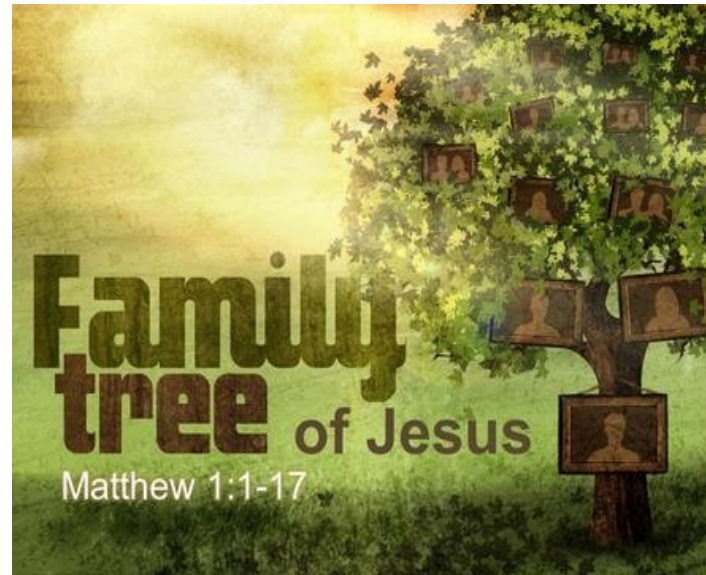
**Chimes/Handbells** rehearsal on Sunday, December 8, 3 pm.

**NO FYRE Youth Group** on Sunday, December 8.

**January newsletter deadline** is Monday, December 9. Please have your information turned into the Church Office by that date as the newsletter is going out early because of Christmas.

**Join us on Tuesday, December 24** for two different Christmas Eve Services - 5:00 pm - Family Service, 11:00 pm - Candlelight Service with Communion.

This week begins our Stewardship season **"Gifts for the King."** Consider the gifts of **time, talent and treasure** that you will present to the Lord on December 15.



#### Week at a Glance...

##### **Today, Sunday, December 1 Communion**

9:30 am Church School  
10:30 am Worship Service

##### **Tuesday, December 3**

10:00 am Disciples in ChristCare  
7:00 pm Session  
Book Club Christmas Party

##### **Wednesday, December 4**

6:00 pm Chimes/Handbells Rehearsal  
7:00 pm Choir Practice

##### **Thursday, December 5**

12:00 pm TOPS  
6:00 pm Deacons

##### **Friday, December 6-December 7**

7:00 pm - FYRE Youth Lock-in

##### **Sunday, December 8- last day to order Poinsettias**

9:30 am Church School  
10:30 am Worship Service  
2:15 pm Kids Music Practice  
3:00 pm Chimes/Handbells Rehearsal

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#### Staff

**Morgan Whitfield, Pastor**

**Joan Austin, Secretary**

**Norma Stein, Organist**

**DaShay Glover, Interim Choir Director**



#### ***Living God's Heart, Hands, & Voice***

An account of the genealogy of Jesus the Messiah, the son of David, the son of Abraham. So all the generations from Abraham to David are fourteen generations; and from David to the deportation to Babylon, fourteen generations; and from the deportation to Babylon to the Messiah, fourteen generations.