

We Worship Together

December 1, 2024

Prelude of Music for Worship

Processional Hymn.....#213 *Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates*
vv. 1,2,3

Welcome and Announcements.....*Pastor Krantz*

Ministry Moment, “Anticipation of Advent”

*What do you look forward to in your faith in Christ?
What are your hopes of Jesus’s arrival?*

Passing of the Peace

Call to Worship.....*Pastor Krantz*

Blessing and Lighting of the Advent Wreath

Mike & Teresa McGriff

Holy Communion

Joining Together in Prayer

Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 2:1-4*Michael Gay*

Offertory Prayer.....*Michael Gay*

Giving Our Gifts to God

Doxology.....*Music Leader*

Prayer of Illumination

Sermon, “*Journey to the Manger: A Just Messiah*”.....*Pastor Krantz*
Romans 5:1-2, 15-17

Hymn of Response.....#196 *Come Thou Long Expected Jesus*
vv. 1,2

Benediction

THE INVITATION: Christ our Lord invites to his table all who truly love him, who earnestly repent of their sin, who live in grace with one another, and intend to live a holy life.

Draw near with faith and take this holy sacrament to your comfort, making your humble confession o Almighty God.

THE CONFESSION: (unison) Almighty and most merciful God, we confess & lament that we have sinned against you in thought word, and deed. We have not loved you with our whole heart. We have failed to be an obedient church. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry & we humbly repent. Because the remembrance of our sin is more than we can bear, have mercy on us & forgive us. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, pardon us of all that is past & may we serve you always in newness of life, to the glory of your holy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, AMEN.

THE PARDON: (Leader) In the name of Jesus Christ you are forgiven.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: The Lord be with you. **And with your spirit.** Lift up your hearts. **We lift them up to the Lord.** Let us give our thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right & good to give him thanks & praise.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you Almighty God, creator of heaven and earth. And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

THE PRAYER OF CONSECRATION: Holy are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ. When we had turned aside from your gifts, you gave us, in him, your crowning gift. By the baptism of his suffering, death, and resurrection you gave birth to your Church, delivered us from slavery to sin and death and made with us a new covenant by water and the Spirit.

On the night in which he gave himself up for us, he took bread, gave thanks to you, broke the bread, gave it to his disciples, and said: “Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.”

When the supper was over he took the cup, gave thanks to you, gave it to his disciples, and said: “Drink from this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, poured out for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink in remembrance of me.

Let us join together with all the saints, proclaiming the mystery of the faith:

Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here and on these gifts of bread and wine. Make them be for us the body and blood of Christ, that we may be for the world the body of Christ, redeemed by his blood. By your Spirit make us one with Christ, one with each other, and one in ministry to all the world, until Christ comes in final victory, and we feast at his heavenly banquet. Through your Son Jesus Christ, with your Holy Spirit in your holy Church, all honor and glory is yours almighty God, now and forever. Amen.

The Lord’s Prayer

RECEIVING THE LORD’S SUPPER: *We will serve the bread and the cup by way of intinction, dipping a morsel of bread into the cup.*

2024 Monthly Worship Guide

You are invited to reference upcoming sermon texts and themes to prepare for the proclamation of God’s Word.

12/1/24 Romans 5:1-2, 15-17
Journey to the manger: a just Messiah

12/8/24 1John 4:7-12
Journey to the manger: Love was born

12/15/24 Luke 4:16-21
Journey to the manger: Joyful obedience

12/23/24 Colossians 1:15-20
Journey to the manger: Peace

12/24/24. Candlelight Christmas Eve Service
Christ’s birth told through Scriptures

In Our Prayers

Scripture inspiration for daily prayer...

Luke 1:32-33 - He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High. The Lord God will give Him the Throne of His father David and He will reign over Jacob's descendants forever. His kingdom will never end. Romans 5:17 - how much more will those who receive God's abundant provision of Grace and of the gift of righteousness reign in life through the one man Jesus Christ.

Church Family Concerns: Bo & Angela McDougald, Chase & Hunter Johnson, Tom Guca, Stan Shirley, Rene Deneve (friend of Chains), Mike Barrett, Sally Hazzard, David Martin (friend of McGuires), Charles Davis (cousin to Martha Troxell), Nation of Israel & Peace, Doris Robinson (McGuire cousin), Billy Martin, Sharon Dolbare, Brad Stone (friend of Michael Gay), Karen Corley (co-worker of Martha Troxell), Samuel Dominguez, Mr. Frank (Sydni Troxell's Friend), Jennifer Sayles (Susan Chain's cousin), Teresa Maynard Puckett, Debbie (quilter) & Tim Muttersbaugh, George & Lydia Broadway, Cheryl & Curtis Holman, Sebastian & Makayla Chain, Lori Pando (friend of Chains), Mary Gober, Peggy Ashcraft, Brian Fassett, Mack & Nadine Clark (Parents of Athenia Weldon)

Announcements

We begin our special season of giving with our traditions of donations for the Millbrook Police Department Blue Santa and Embrace Alabama Kids White Christmas Offering. We are blessed to help the youth and children in Elmore County and the State of Alabama. Please mark your sacrificial offerings for "Blue Santa" and for "White Christmas". Thank you for your devotion to ministry!

The next men's breakfast will be **December 7th**. Make plans to join in the fellowship!

Are you interested in participating in the Christmas Eve Service Ensemble? We will have some special music and would love for your voices to be part of the Ensemble! See Andy Krantz for the rehearsal information.

Tithes & Offerings: \$2,334.00

This Week

Sunday, December 1

"Morning Feast"9:00 am
Children & Youth Bible Classes.....9:00 am
Music Prelude.....9:45 am
Worship (and Facebook live)10:00 am
Prattville Korean Church.....11:44 am

Monday, December 2

Church Officeby appointment only
Women's Bible Study.....9:00 am - 11:30 am

Tuesday, December 3

Church Office.....closed

Wednesday, December 4

Church Officeby appointment only
Prayer & Holy Communion in sanctuary5:00 pm - 5:30 pm
Bring your own "sack dinner" fellowship5:30 pm - 6:00 pm
Bible Study- Live & Facebook.....6:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Thursday, December 5

Church Office8:00 am - 3:30 pm
NAMI (National Alliance Mental Illness).....6:00 pm - 7:30 pm
(Meeting held on 4th Thursday in the Annex)

Friday, December 6

Church Office..... Closed
Loaves & Fishes Ministry7:30 am - 11:30 am

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*Our mission as a Global Methodist Church is to make disciples of Jesus Christ who **worship passionately, love extravagantly, and witness boldly.***



Happy New Year! This is the start of the Christian New Year with Advent. We welcome you to Robinson Springs Church as we worship our Lord Jesus Christ, Immanuel, God with us!

Today, we begin the "Journey to the Manger" knowing that our God is a God of justice. Through the righteousness of Jesus Christ and his grace, we are saved and justified before our Holy God. Thank you Messiah, you are the One who came and who will come again! We praise you.

*Love & Peace to You All,
Pastor Janet*

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