

November 28, 2010

Service of Worship

11:00 A.M.

First Sunday in Advent – The Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper

Hanging of the Greens – Hunger/Staple Foods Offerings

On this first Sunday in the Advent season, we invite you to grow in eager expectation of celebrating our Savior’s birth. *We extend a special welcome to our guests and request that they fill out the information card in the pew rack, and place it in the offering plate.*

PRELUDE

STRIKING THE HOUR

GREETING

CONCERNS OF THE CONGREGATION

Announcements

Prayer Concerns

PENING MUSIC

“Prepare the Way”

Chancel Choir

CALL TO WORSHIP: Lighting the Advent Wreath

P: We will track the passage of the season by lighting candles on the Advent wreath.

L: The first candle is the candle of PEACE.

P: Peace is the gift of God, the assurance that we are right with him.

L: It was of peace the angels sang as their great light filled the heavens and the shepherds learned of the Christmas gift of God in Jesus Christ.

P: Jesus told us that the peace he gives us is a peace which can be found in no other place, from no other one. It is wholeness, health, life itself.

L: Jesus Christ is our Peace: Peace on earth, God now come to earth, good will to those with whom he is pleased.

P: God, make us peaceful. Amen.

L: One candle, burning bright, chasing away the darkness with light. Shining a message of peace to those in despair, letting them know we remember and care. Giving a ray of possibility to those who’ve lost their way, with this candle of peace, we signal trust in God's new day.

*** HYMN**

“Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus”

CB 244

***PRAYER OF ADORATION**

Holy God, we enter this sacred space and time with expectation – expectation of your coming, expectation of hearing you speak to us a word for our lives that is new and renewing, expectation of being challenged and changed. We lay aside any expectation of being entertained, of being made comfortable, of being served rather than serving others. Your kingdom is near, and you have entrusted to us, your church, the responsibility of showing the love, forgiveness, justice,

compassion and peace that are signs of it. May we embody your kingdom with faithfulness and joy, through Jesus Christ. Amen.

***CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE** “Peace, Perfect Peace”

Peace, perfect peace, in this dark world of sin?
The blood of Jesus whispers peace within.

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH:** The Apostles’ Creed

PH, p. 14

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Psalm 122

Pew Bible p. 536

OFFERING

Offertory

*Doxology

*Prayer of Dedication

***HYMN** “Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates”

PH 8

CONVERSING WITH CHILDREN

ANTHEM “People, Look East”

Chancel Choir

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Isaiah 2:1-5

Pew Bible p. 587

SERMON “Christmas Gadgets”

Dr. Williams

***HYMN** “Behold the Lamb”

CB 304

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

Invitation and Institution

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Breaking the Bread (*Please hold until all are served*)

Communion of the People (*Please hold until all are served*)

Prayer and the Lord’s Prayer (*Please use “debts”*)

***HYMN** “O Sing a Song of Bethlehem”

CB 291

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

***CHORAL RESPONSE** “Thank You, Lord”

CB 513

w/congregation

POSTLUDE

* Congregation please stand, if able

CB – *The Celebration Hymnal*; **PH** – *The Presbyterian Hymnal*

THIS WEEK AT SECOND CHURCH

Sunday, November 28

- 9:30 AM Adult Bible Study Class
- 10:30 AM Chancel Choir rehearsal- Choir Room
- 11:00 AM Worship

Lay Reader: Mary Rainey

Greeters & Ushers: Beth Ramsey (*Head Usher*), Maxine Robertson, Lois Sensabaugh & Dick Hippeard

Flower Coordinator: Linda Fry

Tuesday, November 30

- 11:00 AM Bible Study – Fellowship Hall
- 7:00 PM Bible Study – Lucille Sanger Classroom
- 6:30 PM Stewardship & Finance – Room 20

Wednesday, December 1

- 12:00 PM HAMC Ministers' Lunch – Tinkling Spring Church
- 6:00 PM Mission Committee – Room 20
- 6:30 PM Membership & Outreach – Fellowship Annex
- 6:30 PM Property – Fellowship Hall
- 6:30 PM Worship & Music – Youth Room
- 7:00 PM Session – Fellowship Hall

Thursday, December 2

- 5:45 PM JuBELLation Handbell Choir – Handbell Room
- 6:45 PM Chancel Choir – Choir Room

Next Sunday, December 5

- 9:30 AM Adult Bible Study Class
- 10:30 AM Chancel Choir rehearsal – Choir Room
- 11:00 AM Worship

Lay Reader: Jerry Fry

Greeters & Ushers: Chuck Blackley (*Head Usher*), Pat Blackley, Barbara Daugherty, & Linda Fry

Flower Coordinator: Jean Flower

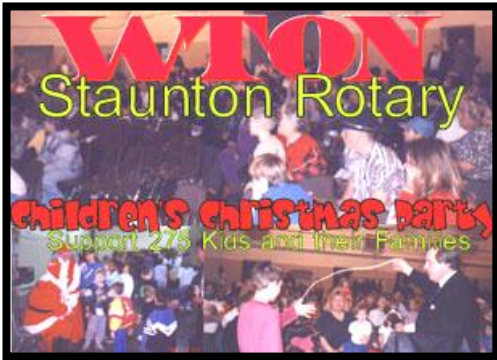
Attendance last Sunday: 61

Offering last Sunday: \$1,657.50

Total Deposit: \$1,722.61

LARGE PRINT BULLETIN As an aid to people who have trouble reading the regular sized type on the Sunday worship bulletin, a large print version is available. Simply request one from any usher.

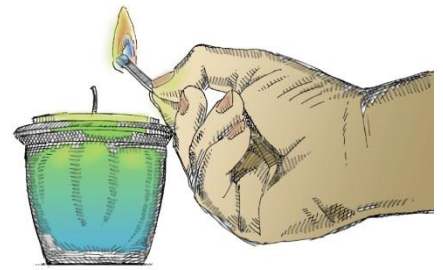
ANNOUNCEMENTS



Our pastor will be participating in the WTON/Staunton Rotary Children's Christmas Party this year, to raise money for gifts for the 275 children from Staunton, Waynesboro, and Augusta County who are selected by the Salvation Army. Dan will participate in the radiothon on **Tuesday, November 30, 6:30 – 8:00 a.m.** You may call WTON 140 AM at 885-1240 to make a pledge, or give Dan a check to

take to the radiothon. Please make your check payable to Staunton Rotary/WTON Children's Christmas Party. If you are unable to call during that time, you may call anytime and make a pledge.

Pastor Dan Williams has created an Advent-Christmas devotional series. The first installment is available on the tables in the rear of the sanctuary. The devotions are also available online on the church's web site, www.sec-stn.org. Click on the "Advent Devotions" link and choose the day from the page that comes up. The online version links to the Scriptures for the day, which will open in a separate window.



Devotions Available



Today is "**Hanging of the Greens**" Sunday! All are invited after worship to a chili and sandwich lunch in Fellowship Hall. After lunch, we will decorate the Sanctuary, Fellowship Hall, and other areas of the church for the holiday season. Please join in the lunch fellowship even if you cannot stay to decorate!

The Staunton Choral Society will present their annual Christmas Concert next Sunday, December 5, beginning at 4:00 p.m. in our sanctuary. Come enjoy many different sounds of the season. There is no charge for admission, but a free will offering will be received, which helps defray the expenses of the Choral Society throughout the year. Jo Fields, Melissa Archer, Allen Archer, and Dan Williams sing with the Choral Society.



Worship and Music has placed a calendar on one of the back tables in order to sign up ushers and lay readers needed for the month of **December**. **We have spots to fill for a couple of ushers and for three lay readers so please help us to fill one of the spots.**



November Display

It's your last chance before the end of November!
Come to Fellowship Hall and see Sue Gochenour's collection of "past election" campaign buttons in the display case.

CONTACTING PASTOR DAN WILLIAMS

Means	Use this	Comment
Office Phone	540.885.8159	Press #2 for the Pastor's voice mail.
Cell Phone	540.280.5850	Voice mail is now unlimited time
Email	dsw-office@sec-stn.org or dsw2pbn@comcast.net	
Snail Mail	68 Meadowdale Drive, Stuarts Draft, VA 24477	

PRAYER CONCERNS

- Health concerns: Hugh Swisher, Geneva Smiley; Hannah Brown; Bobby Dale; Harry Fulk, Pat Fulk, Florence Pfeiffer; Scott Holsinger.
- Church concerns:
 - Session and committee meetings this week.
 - Our choirs, as they prepare special music for the upcoming holiday season
- Traveling mercies for all during this holiday weekend.
- Staunton Choral Society Christmas concert, in the sanctuary next Sunday, December 5.
- Celebrating a birthday this week: Kriston Snyder (30); Mary McNamara (4).
- Persons connected to Second Church in the military:
 - Ian Hippeard - Afghanistan, (grandson of Talitha and Dick Hippeard)
 - Nathan Wade (grandson of Anita and Bill Haessly)
 - Nick Dubyk – Army: Fort Bragg, NC (grandson of Betty/Willis Clemmer)
 - Heath Minnick: USAF, Sacramento, CA (son of Brenda Cason).
 - Wilmer Carl Varner III - Navy) – grandson of Betty Casiday
 - Chris Goodrow (Army, 173rd Airborne: Fort Benning, GA) – grandson of Ken and Lois Sensabaugh
 - Kevin Goodrow (Army MP, Fort Stewart, GA) – grandson of Ken and Lois Sensabaugh
 - Ben Carter (Coast Guard) – grand-nephew of Gennivee Carey
 - Patrick W. Brown (Air Force) – grandson of (the late) Marie Wiseman
 - Christopher Todd (USAF) – grandson of Ruth and Ralph Weller
 - Nathan Hartley; Brannock and Patsy Easley's grandson
 - Capt. Sam Fitzpatrick (Army, Green Beret, Iraq) - son-in-law of Eve Thomas



Please call the Church Office (885-8159) if you or someone in your family goes into the hospital. This is the only sure way that we will know of your situation, so visits and other support can be given.