



**FIRST
PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

December 1, 2024 - First Sunday of Advent
"What Child Is This"

CHRISTMAS EVE CANDLELIGHT SERVICES

Tuesday, December 24
5:30 pm Family Service - Loudon Hall
8 pm Classic Service - Sanctuary
11 pm Communion Service - Sanctuary

New Member Reception

All new members (from last week's New Member Orientation) are invited to a reception at 9:15 am in the Library.

Advent Poinsettias

Each year, we decorate with poinsettias, which can be purchased in honor or memory of someone special. You may make a purchase (\$10 each) by emailing Jo (jahearn@fpclakeland.org) or through the app. The last day to order flowers is Dec. 8.

Giving Tuesday

This Tuesday, people around the country will observe Giving Tuesday. Begun in 2012, Giving Tuesday aims to combat the commercialism of Black Friday.

On this Giving Tuesday, we are presenting options to our congregation and community of ways that you can participate in the spirit of the day as they support our community. Be sure to watch our website and social media on Tuesday, and consider how you can give.

Youth Wrapping Fundraiser

This Christmas, let our Surrender Youth Worship Team wrap your Christmas presents for you. On Dec. 8, 15, and 22, we will have a table in the welcome center where you can schedule a drop off and pick up time for your presents. The final day for pickup will be on December 23. Costs will be assigned at drop off and proceeds will benefit our annual trip to Montreat for the Presbyterian Association of Musicians Worship and Music Conference. Contact Sam Carlton (scarlton@fpclakeland.org) for more information.

Glory of Christmas

Join with us to welcome the Christmas season with our annual Glory of Christmas concert tomorrow.



The concert is at 7 pm in the sanctuary, and doors will open at 6 pm. For the first time, the concert will be live streamed for anyone who isn't able to attend in person.

The live streams will be on the church's website, Facebook page, and YouTube channel. To learn more about the concert, read about it on the FPC website - <https://fpclakeland.org/blog/usher-in-the-christmas-season-with-glory-of-christmas/>

Flowers for the Sanctuary

We have openings for flower donations for the sanctuary on Sundays. Please contact Jo (jahearn@fpclakeland.org) for more information.

Job Openings

Please see our website for information on the Mini Miracles opening and the opening within our facilities staff. (<https://fpclakeland.org/careers/>)

Important Dates

Women of FPC Christmas Brunch | Dec. 7 | 11 am | offsite | Register in the app

Children's Christmas Workshop | Dec. 14 | 9:30 am

Youth Wrapping Fundraiser | Dec. 8, 15 & 22

Christmas Caroling to Homebound | Dec. 17 | 5 pm for pizza & caroling. RSVP to Sandie at: sandie@fpclakeland.org

Season of Giving

Information tables will be in the Welcome Center.

Heartland for Children | Dec. 1

Heifer International | Dec. 1 & 8

Be a Santa to a Senior | Return gifts by Dec. 13

For current information on classes and groups, please see our website - www.fpclakeland.org.



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MINISTRY STAFF

Rev. Dr. John Fullerton, Senior Pastor
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