Sunday | December 17, 2023

Worship Theme: The King of Promised Joy

GREAT THINGS

Lighting of the Advent Candle — Shepherd's Candle (Joy)

Todd Family

Invocation

JOY TO THE WORLD (ANTIOCH)
ANGELS WE HAVE HEARD ON HIGH (GLORIA)

Receiving New Members & Baptism

Dennis & Candy Metzger Charity Davis

Testimony of God's Faithfulness

Psalm 71:17-20

O God, from my youth You have taught me, and I still proclaim Your wondrous deeds. So even to old age and gray hairs, O God, do not forsake me, until I proclaim Your might to another generation, Your power to all those to come. Your righteousness, O God, reaches the high heavens. You Who have done great things, O God, who is like You? You Who have made me see many troubles and calamities will revive me again; from the depths of the earth You will bring me up again.

Special Music — THE PROMISED ONE

Release Children, ages 3-5, for Kids Connect
Prayers of the People

Whispers of a King: An Advent Series

Isaiah 42:1-9 | David Young, Assistant Pastor of Shepherding & Counseling

HARK THE HERALD ANGELS SING (MENDELSSOHN)

Benediction

Tithes & Offerings collected in Offering Box - Sanctuary Entrance to Foyer

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Announcements

Our Advent theme this year is *Whispers of a King.* Together, we are examining several of the more faint, subtle, whispers of Jesus that are sprinkled all throughout the Biblical story. The Sanctuary artwork expresses this theme beautifully. The white circles represent the movement of our world through time and space, while the single red circle in each cluster hints at the Good News, given all throughout history, of a promised Messiah who comes to redeem a people for Himself. And these faint whispers, collectively crescendo in a SHOUT OF PRAISE to a King who has broken into our world, to love us to the very end.

Kids Connect is open to children ages 3-5 years old. Before the time of prayer (prior to the Sermon), a leader will be waiting in the back of the Sanctuary for the kids to go with them to the classroom. Pick-up will immediately follow the close of Worship. If you have any questions, please reach out to Kristin Williamson. (Please note, 3-year-olds will no longer be in the Nursery!) *There will be no Kids Connect program on December 24 & 31, but it will resume the first weekend of January 2024.

SAVE THE DATE:

Family Christmas Celebration "Carol and the Belles," featuring our CPC Kids' Choir and Young Ladies' Ensemble, will take place on Sunday, December 17, in the Sanctuary. Fellowship, Christmas Treats, and 50's Trivia begins at 6:30 PM. Program begins at 7:15 PM. PLEASE BRING CHRISTMAS COOKIES AND TREATSIII These are needed by SUNDAY MORNING on December 17!! Hot chocolate, coffee, and water served!

Vision Banquet — On Sunday, January 21, at 5:30 PM you are invited to attend a special evening in the life of our church. We will share a meal together, as we praise God for His faithfulness in the life of our congregation, as well as hear upcoming plans for the future. This gathering will fulfill the requirement for our annual congregational meeting.

CPC members, please make every effort to attend as there will be important information put forth for your consideration.

Please **RSVP** to office@cpcrichmond.org.

2023 FINANCIAL STATISTICS: Jan. – Dec. 10, 2023 YTD
Budgeted Giving: \$544,626.50 Actual Giving: \$469,411.33



A Note to our Visitors

For more announcements and event information, please visit: cpcrichmond.org/events-news/ or use the QR Code

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We are so glad you chose to worship with us! If you have any questions,

please don't hesitate to contact the Church Office. To learn more about CPC, please fill out this Connection Card, tear it off and drop it in the <i>Offering Box</i> or return it to the <i>Visitors Center</i> in the Foyer.
Prayer Request:

O Please include in Weekly Prayer List (shared with congregation)