



# Christ Presbyterian Church

*knowing Christ and making Him known*

Sunday Evening | December 24, 2023

**Worship Theme:** The King Who Lights the Darkness

O COME ALL YE FAITHFUL

**Lighting of the Christ Candle**

Jim & Kathy Roszell

HARK THE HERALD ANGELS SING (MENDELSSOHN)

WHAT CHILD IS THIS

### Confession of Faith

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord; Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried. He descended into hell\*. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic \*\* Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

*\*We believe that Christ took upon Himself the full wrath of God described here as "hell".*

*\*\*We believe that God has called to Himself the one holy people, the universal church, made up of believers spanning all of human history.*

### Special Christmas Offering

*Our Christmas Eve offering, along with those from other PCA churches, will be given to assist PCA retired and disabled pastors, missionaries, church lay workers, pastors without a call, their widows and dependent children who may have financial need.*

### Special Music – IN THE FULLNESS OF TIME

Charlotte Wood, Solo

### Whispers of a King: An Advent Series

Genesis 1:1-4a | Rich Hawkins, Senior Pastor

### Jesus Christ the Light of the World

SILENT NIGHT

### Benediction

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

### CONNECTION CARD

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

I heard about Christ Presbyterian Church through: \_\_\_\_\_

### How may we serve you?

- Please add me to the Weekly Church Email List
- I would like a Pastor to call me

### 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 31, but it will resume the first weekend of January 2024.**

**Church Office Closed** – On the following Mondays, December 25 and January 1, 2024, the Church Office will be closed for the holidays. We will reopen the Church Office on the next business day (Tuesday) during the scheduled hours from 9 AM – 5 PM of those holiday weeks respectively.

### SAVE THE DATE:

**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](mailto:office@cpcrichmond.org).

### 2023 FINANCIAL STATISTICS: Jan. – Dec. 10, 2023 YTD

Budgeted Giving: \$544,626.50

Actual Giving: \$469,411.33



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

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### A Note to our Visitors

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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 **Offering Box** or return it to the **Visitors Center** in the Foyer.

**Prayer Request:** \_\_\_\_\_

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