## **French Camp Presbyterian Church**

Second Sunday of Advent

December 4, 2022

December flowers are sponsored by Nadine Ramsey in honor of Jim & Helen Hill. Announcements

Prelude: O Little Town of Bethlehem

Call to Worship

\**O Come, Let Us Adore Him* (#196) Prayer of Invocation

Luke 1:26-38

Lighting the Advent Candle

Alex Coblentz

\*Hymn # 270: Joy to The World

Shepherd's Prayer

Tithes and Offerings

Offertory: *The Coventry Carol / The First Noel* \*Response #106: *Worthy, You Are Worthy* \*Prayer of Dedication

Children's Sermon

\*Hymn #278: Angels We Have Heard on High

Sermon: Jesus Is Loving

I John 4:11-14 (pg 1023 in pew Bible)

\*Hymn #253: Silent Night

\*Benediction

\*Congregation Standing

### The Shorter Catechism

#### Q. 96. What is the Lord's Supper?

The Lord's Supper is a sacrament in which, by giving and receiving bread and wine according to Christ's appointment, his death is proclaimed, and those who receive rightly are by faith (and not by the mouth in a physical manner) made partakers of his body and blood, with all his benefits, to their spiritual nourishment and growth in grace.

#### Q. 97. What is required to receive rightly the Lord's Supper?

It is required of those who would receive rightly the Lord's Supper, that they examine themselves as to their knowledge of the meaning and object of this sacrament, their faith to feed upon Christ, and their repentance, love and new obedience; for coming in an unworthy manner would bring judgement on themselves.

## Life of the Church

**Community Christmas Service Tonight, December 4, 6:30pm:** FCPC is hosting this cherished annual tradition as we celebrate together the Christmas season with churches in the French Camp community. All are invited!

Christmas Open House at the Edwards Tomorrow, 5-7:00pm: All are invited to come enjoy food and fellowship with several FCA Board Members and their wives. Please RSVP to Mary Sorensen: msorensen@frenchcamp.org.

#### **Sunday School**

- Today & Next Sunday Regular Classes
- December 18 One Class for All Ages
- December 25 & January 1 No Sunday School
- JH Girls' Sunday School Teacher Needed: Starting in January, a replacement for Stephanie Marx is needed since she is having a baby in February. If you would consider teaching this class, speak with Mary Nell.

**Historical Highlight Luncheon This Thursday, 12:00pm:** Alex Coblentz will be sharing about Christmas Traditions in French Camp, including the history of the Christmas Scenes and the Christmas Community Service. We'll have a delicious Christmas meal (\$3), share memories and enjoy some Christmas fun! Christmas Covered Dish December 18: All are invited to join us after church for lunch in the LSB for this annual tradition of celebrating the holidays together.

**Christmas Caroling December 18, 4:00-6:00pm:** Caroling is one of the most fun and meaningful of all Christmas traditions! Please consider joining us as we sing for folks around the neighborhood.

**Christmas Eve Communion, 6:00 pm:** Come and bring your family to celebrate with us the great truths of the Christmas story. This will be a time of intimate fellowship with our Lord and with one another.

**Donation in Memory of Jason Adams** has been given by Tom & Sylvia Dickson.

**Donations in Memory of Debbie Barlow:** We have received \$10,820 so far in memorials for Debbie that will be used to refurbish the CRS kitchen. Many thanks to all who have given!

**Devotionals:** Be sure to check out the Christmas devotionals on the back table. **Daily Bread Devotionals** for December, January & February have arrived! Please take some to share with others!

**ARP's Special Fall Offering:** This years' offering will support the American Bible Society, Erskine Seminary, Outreach North America (church planting), and the Christmas Benevolent Fund that blesses retired ministers and missionaries. Brochures and offering envelopes are on the back table.

Lots of Cookies Needed December 10 for a school-wide party in the LSB after the Grace Evan Christmas Banquet. Any and all kinds of cookies appreciated! Speak with Cindy Cox for details.

#### FRENCH CAMP PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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323 School St. French Camp, Mississippi 39745 website: www.fcarp.org
Pastor: Rev. J. Alex Coblentz. Ministry Coordinator: Mary Nell Coblentz
Ruling Elders: Glen Barlow (Treas.), Larry Littlejohn (Clerk of Session), John Cockrell,
Dennis Cox, Bruce Hosket, and Lance Ragsdale
Deacons: Greg Browning, David Dennis, Danny Donald, Jason Purvis, Roy Purvis
Worship Team: Anne Katherine Ragsdale, David Dennis, Kylie Shirley, James Cantey
Sunday Worship is LIVE at fcarp.org/livestream at 11:00 am
To watch the replay or listen to past sermons go to fcarp.org/sermons, or fcpc.sermon.net
FCARP sermons are also broadcast Sunday mornings at 8:00 am on WFCA-FM108
Ushers Jason Purvis, Mike McCollum
Student Ushers
GreetersPolly Allen, Donna Perkins
Next Sunday, December 11:
UshersLarry Littlejohn, William McKinley
Student UshersJesse Jones, Dylan Donald
Greeters

#### **Calendar of Events**

Today	7:00am – Men's Community Breakfast at FC Baptist Church
	9:30am – Coffee in LSB
	10:00am – Regular Sunday School Classes 11:00am - Worship
	6:30 pm - Community Christmas Program at FCARP
Monday	5:00-7:00pm – Christmas Open House at the Edwards' House
Wednesday	6:00pm - Prayer Meeting
Thursday	12:00pm – Historical Highlight, FC's Christmas Traditions
2	6:00pm – FCA Christmas Concert
Friday	5:30am - Men's Bible Study at Welcome Center: The Names of God
2	7:00pm – Christmas Star Program at Rainwater
Saturday	5:30pm - FCA Christmas Banquet with Grace Evan
Next Sunday	9:30am – Coffee in LSB
2	10:00am – Regular Sunday School Classes
	11:00am – Bruce Hosket, Guest Preacher
	No Evening Service
December 14	7:00pm - Session
December 18	10:00am – Sunday School, One Class for All Ages
	Christmas Covered Dish After Church
	4:00-6:00pm – FCARP Christmas Caroling
December 24	6:00pm - Christmas Eve Communion Service
December 25	11:00am – Christmas Worship Service (No Sunday School)

#### **Ministry of Prayer**

Marlene Armstrong, Mac Blaine, Carol Cannon, Vickki Carlisle (recovering well from surgery), Peggy Cockrell, Susan Donald (dental appt this afternoon), Willie Dozier (Lance's Mom), Mary Ida Harper, Marilyn Johnson, Marvanean Kennedy (cancer), Jimmy Middleton (broke hip, surgery yesterday), Roy Nail, Margie Newman, Roy Purvis, Lance Ragsdale (home recovering), Lesa Rhodes, Betty Richardson FCA'70, "Gramps" Sorensen, Tom, a prisoner in NC (urgent prayer needed for his safety), Ken & Lyn Utley

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