

# French Camp Presbyterian Church

Third Sunday of Advent

December 11, 2022

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

Announcements

Prelude: *Gesú Bambino*

Call to Worship

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

Prayer of Invocation

Matthew 1:18-25

*Lighting the Advent Candle*

(Children are invited to come forward to hear the Christmas story.)

\*Hymn # 249: *O Come, All Ye Faithful*

Shepherd's Prayer

Tithes and Offerings

Offertory: *O Come, All You Unfaithful*

Kevin O'Brien

\*Response #106: *Worthy, You Are Worthy*

\*Prayer of Dedication

\*Hymn #267: *I Heard the Bells on Christmas Day*

Sermon: **Jesus Is Renewing**

Psalm 103:5 (pg 502 in pew Bible)

Bruce Hosket

\*Hymn #250: *O Little Town of Bethlehem*

\*Benediction

\*Congregation Standing

## The Shorter Catechism

### Q. 98. What is prayer?

Prayer is an offering up of our desires to God, for things agreeable to his will, in the name of Christ, with confession of our sins and thankful acknowledgement of his mercies.

### Q. 99. What rule has God given for our direction in prayer?

The whole Word of God is of use to direct us in prayer, but the special rule of direction is that form of prayer which Christ taught his disciples, commonly called the Lord's Prayer.

## Life of the Church

**Christmas Covered Dish December 18:** All are invited to join us next Sunday 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.

**Christmas Bridal Shower December 17 1:00pm at LSB:** All are invited to this wedding shower in honor of Annie Goodsell and Bradley McGlothin. Please RSVP to Sue Anne Boatman at 662-552-0879. Annie and Bradley are registered at Sullivan's in Kosciusko.

### Sunday School

- Today – Regular Classes
- December 18 – One Class for All Ages
- December 25 & January 1 – No Sunday School
- January 8 – Regular Classes

**Donations in Memory of Debbie Barlow:** See today's bulletin insert listing those who have made donations through the church to Debbie's Memorial Fund. We have received \$11,820 so far in memorials for Debbie that will be used to refurbish the CRS kitchen. Many thanks to all who have given!

**Collection for God's House of Hope:** Items needed in December are: Toilet Paper, Pine Sol, Bleach, Pancake mix/batter, Canned food, Rice & noodles. We'll take donations at the church through next Sunday, December 18.

**Devotionals:** It's not too late to take advantage of one of the 10-day Christmas devotionals put out by The Daily Bread, which are on the back table. Also, the regular **Daily Bread Devotionals** for December, January & February are here. Please take some to share with others!

**New Year's Eve Fireworks, 6:30 pm at the Purvis' Place:** We look forward to the annual fireworks display and "blowing up the Christmas tree" tradition at the home of Roy Purvis this year! You can see the show from your car or bring your own chairs or blankets. It's a fun community event and a great way to bring in the new year!

## FRENCH CAMP PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

323 School St. French Camp, Mississippi 39745

website: [www.fcarp.org](http://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](http://fcarp.org/livestream)** at 11:00 am

To watch the replay or listen to past sermons go to [fcarp.org/sermons](http://fcarp.org/sermons), or [fcpc.sermon.net](http://fcpc.sermon.net)

FCARP sermons are also broadcast Sunday mornings at **8:00 am on WFCA-FM108**

Ushers ..... Larry Littlejohn, William McKinley

Student Ushers ..... Jesse Jones, Dylan Donald

Greeters ..... Lynn & Dianne Downing

### Next Sunday, December 18:

Ushers ..... Bruce Hosket, John Dendy

Student Ushers ..... Jesse Jones, Silas Hodge

Greeters ..... TBA

## Calendar of Events

Today	9:30am – Coffee in LSB	
	10:00am – Regular Sunday School Classes	11:00am - Worship
Monday	6:00pm – Joint Session & Deacon Meeting	
Wednesday	6:00pm - Prayer Meeting	
Friday	5:30am - Men’s Bible Study at Welcome Center: <i>The Names of God</i>	
Saturday	1:00pm – Bradley McGlothin & Annie Goodsell’s Bridal Shower (LSB)	
Next Sunday	10:00am – Sunday School, One Class for All Ages	
	Christmas Covered Dish After Church	
	4:00-6:00pm – Christmas Caroling	
December 24	6:00pm - Christmas Eve Communion Service	
December 25	11:00am – Christmas Worship Service	
	(No Sunday School or Evening Service)	
December 31	6:30pm – Fireworks & Blowing Up Christmas Trees @ Roy Purvis’	

## Ministry of Prayer

Marlene Armstrong, Carol Cannon, Vickki Carlisle (recovering well from surgery), Peggy Cockrell, Susan Donald, Willie Dozier (Lance’s Mom), Mary Ida Harper, Marilyn Johnson, Marvanean Kennedy, Jevante McAdory (had surgery to remove appendix and has no insurance), Jimmy Middleton (rehab in Ackerman), 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