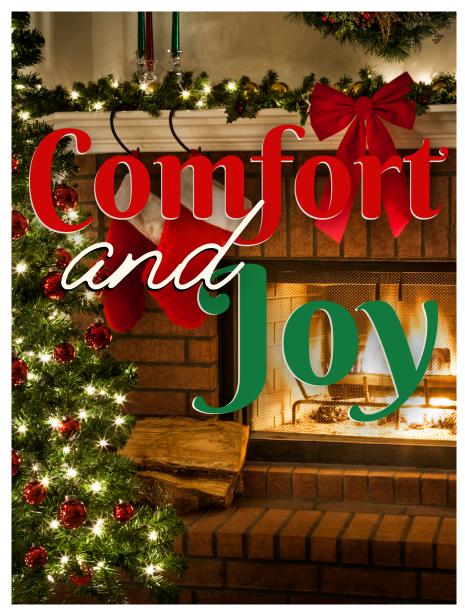
"So they hurried off and found Mary and Joseph, and the baby, who was lying in the manger." Luke 2:16



Advent is the season that proclaims the coming of the Christ whose birth we prepare to celebrate again. Each week we light one of the five candles on a wreath of evergreen. The first candle symbolizes hope, the second symbolizes peace, the third joy, and the fourth, love. The fifth candle is the Christ candle. The sermon series is *Comfort and Joy*--gifts that come to us through Jesus Christ. Join us and bring a friend to church.

> December 19, 2021 ST.ANDREWS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH DUNEDIN, FLORIDA

John 3:16-17

¹⁶ For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. ¹⁷ For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him.

A WORD TO OUR GUESTS

Welcome!

We're glad you are here. We know you have many choices of what to do with your time. We are happy that you chose to spend it with us this morning. We want you to know that in order to make this the best possible experience for you...

We will go out of our way to:

- Be clear about Jesus. Present as clear a picture as we can of the positive, hopeful, life-changing message of Jesus Christ.
- Make sure you feel welcome. Our commitment is to make sure you feel accepted, valued and never judged.
- Make what you wear a non-issue. You are dressed perfectly. Jesus cares about you, not your clothes. We feel the same way.
- Let you be anonymous. We won't single you out or make you feel awkward. We'll introduce ourselves, but not be pushy.
- Talk in words that make sense, and if we use special words, we'll carefully explain them.
- Not pressure you to give. No guilt. Believe it or not, we don't care whether you give money. You are our welcome guest today.
- Take care of your children. We are as nuts about the safety and care of your children as we are about Jesus.
- Love you. Even if we don't know you yet, we know God loves you and, therefore, so do we.

Be sure to stop by the Welcome Center. We have a gift and a warm welcome for you. Shout for joy to God, all the earth! Sing the glory of his name; make his praise glorious. Psalm 66:1-2

CONTEMPORARY SERVICE 9:30 A.M.

MUSIC

Drums and stringed instruments are mentioned in the Bible, and we use them freely in this service. The emphasis is on celebration and great joy.

MESSAGE

God is at work in this world and speaks to us through his Word written and spoken. Through the Scriptures, the Spirit of God works to convict and convert hearts and build up the faith of believers.

ADVENT CANDLE LIGHTING

Jolly & Carty Families

Rev. Dr. Pablo R. Diaz

LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

SERMON TITLE: The Greatest Love **KEY SCRIPTURE:** John 3:16-17 (NIV) **BIG IDEA:** God's love is the greatest of all.

CHILDREN

Preschool and Elementary age children are invited to Kid's Worship where they will hear a lesson based on a Bible passage and have fun with group activities that help the lesson stick. Parents, please sign your children in before 9:30am each Sunday morning. Sign them out when you pick them up at the end of worship.

Ages 18 months - 5 years in Room #11 Kindergarten - 5th Grades in Room #10 Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise; give thanks to him and praise his name. For the Lord is good and his love endures forever; his faithfulness continues through all generations. Psalm 100:4-5

TRADITIONAL SERVICE 11:00 A.M.

Gather in God's Name

Silent Prayer in Preparation for Worship

And the messenger of the Lord came to Mary and Joseph, and the words said were not easy. The requirements that message made upon them were not simple. The word of God brought about a life that neither of them imagined. Today we pray that our hearts and minds will be open to hear God's message for us: a message of hope and grace even amid great stress and anxiety. For unto us a child has been born, unto us the Son of the Most High has come to dwell within our midst. Amen.

Prelude		Mark Hunter		
Come, Your Hearts and Voices Raising – Haan				
Chiming of the Hour		Mark Hunter		
Welcome & Video Announcements		Rev. Dr. Pablo R. Diaz		
Advent Candle Lighting – LOVE		Carl & Phyllis Bowles		
Responsive Call to Worship		Susan Temple		
Leader:	Everyone who serves God come and offer thanks.			
People:	Thank you, God, for Your love for me.			
Leader:	Everyone who has gathered in this place, lift your hands and praise God.			
People:	Thank you, God, for Your love in this place.			
Leader:	Shout praises to God for you are God's servants, so shout praises.			
People:	Thank you, God, for Your love for others.			
Leader:	All who serve in this place, who serve our God, come and shout praises.			
People:	Thank you, God, for Your love that we can share.			
Leader:	Praise the name of our God who is kind and good.			
People:	Thank you, God, for Your love endures forever.			
Leader:	Let the people of God stand and worship.			

*Congregational Singing

"Watchman, Tell Us of the Night" #149

*Affirmation of Faith - Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate: he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic* and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world *universal to come. Amen.

*Congregational Response

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

Unison Prayer of Confession

Lord Christ, we confess our willingness to be loved but also our reluctance to love. We confess our readiness to accept Your forgiving love but also our refusal to forgive. We confess our eagerness to grasp Your offer of redeeming love but also our resistance to follow You without question. In this Advent season, forgive us our failure to respond as we should. Come to us anew, and by Your grace, assist us to receive You with joy, as the shepherds; with gratitude, as Simeon; with obedience, as Mary; with love, as You have loved us. Even so: come, Lord Jesus. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Congregational Response #535

"Hear our prayer, O Lord, hear our prayer, O Lord, incline Thine ear to us, and grant us Thy peace."

Here, we offer God prayers for people, the church, the community, the nation, and the world as well as personal prayers of confession. We conclude with the following words of the Lord's Prayer.

Susan Temple

Gloria Patri

Susan Temple

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Prayers of the People

Our Father, who art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

Giving of God's Tithes & Offerings

Offertory

Come, Shepherds, Rise! arranged by Keith Christopher **Chancel Choir**

*Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise him all creatures here below; Praise him above, ye heavenly host: Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*Offertory and Proclamation Prayer

Advent Video - LOVE

The Word of God Proclaimed

Going Out in God's Name

SERMON TITLE: The Greatest Love **KEY SCRIPTURE:** John 3:16-17 (NIV) **BIG IDEA:** God's love is the greatest of all.

*Congregational Singing "My Jesus, I Love Thee" #405

Charge and Benediction

Congregational Benediction Response #78

"God be with you till we meet again; by His counsels guide, uphold you, with His sheep securely fold you: God be with you till we meet again."

Postlude

St. George's Windsor (Please remain seated until the Postlude finishes.) Susan Temple

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Mark Hunter



2021 Poinsettias Given To Honor or In Memory Of Loved Ones

Dodi Anderson* Mary Ann Beall* Jack & Jeannine Beebe* Carl & Phyllis Bowles **Carl & Phyllis Bowles** Earle & Martha Holder Brown Earle & Martha Holder Brown Mike & Amanda Bowman* Mike & Amanda Bowman Bill & Charlotte Douglas* Bill & Charlotte Douglas* Dave & Becky Eggers * The Fiegle Family * The Fiegle Family The Fiegle Family **Rick & Lisa Goodrich** Dave & Rae Ellen Hicks*

In Memory of Mom & Dad In Memory of My Brother Dick Beall Jr. In Memory of Our Parents and Daughter-in-law In Memory of Those Who Have Gone Home In Honor of Our Loving Family & Friends In Memory of Martha Beebe Brown In Memory of Rev. Joe Holder In Memory of Dorothy Bowman In Memory of Taryn Carter In Honor & Gratitude to the PNC In Honor of Pastor Pablo & Elba Diaz In Memory of Ann & Bill Hendrick In Memory of Patsy & Jim Eggers In Memory of Ann & Sid Heller In Memory of Sue & Sid Tindel In Honor of Pastor Pablo & Elba Diaz In Honor of Our Church Family In Honor of Emily & Ryan In Memory of Andrew Fiegle In Memory of John Fiegle In Memory of Janet Ferger In Memory of Our Loved Ones Who Have Gone Before Us In Memory of Both Our Parents

* Large Poinsettia

Tom & Judy Hilbert In Memory of Mr. & Mrs. R. Grant Graham Tom & Judy Hilbert In Memory of Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Hilbert Carol Krueck In Memory of Loved Ones Ron & Sandi Marston In Memory of Elfrieda Wagner Seagroves Williams Ron & Sandi Marston In Memory of Ronald Walter Hume Ron & Sandi Marston In Memory of Robert Lee Marston Ron & Sandi Marston In Memory of Lucy Forestiere-Bargone Ron & Sandi Marston In Memory of Rick Forrester Ron & Sandi Marston In Memory of Nancy Nichols Ron & Sandi Marston In Memory of Doris LaFlam Rita Mason In Honor of My Church Family Rita Mason In Memory of Parents & Friends Hank Mattox In Memory of Harriet Mattox Hank Mattox In Memory of Bill & Alison Mattox Hank Mattox In Memory of Paul Mattox Hank Mattox In Memory of Bill Sater Hank Mattox In Memory of Pete Brickley John Miller* In Memory of My Mother Patti Snell John Miller In Memory of My Father Jack Miller Debbie Paradis & Family* In Memory of My Mother - Sara M. Eason Debbie Paradis & Family* In Memory of My Sister - Diana E. Garrett Sheryl Powers* In Memory of Isabel Cook Sheryl Powers In Memory of Diana Cook Ron Smay* In Memory of the Smay Family Lu Taylor* In Memory of Husband, Ken Edwards Nancy Thomas In Memory of Husband, David A. Thomas Pat Turner In Memory of Bill Turner **Bob Wilson** In Memory of Carole Wilson Janice Wisinski In Memory of My Brother Gene Synder

* Large Poinsettia

Overflow Student Ministries & Mission

SUNDAYS	WEDNESDAYS	MISSION
Nursery/Preschool 18 months - age 5 9:30am – 10:30am Location: Room 11	<u>Nursery/Preschool</u> 18 months - age 5 6:30pm – 8:00pm Location: Room 11	Dunedin Cares is our monthly food drive. Throughout the month we collect items and donate them to Dunedin
Elementary Age Children K – 5th Grade Location: Room 10 9:30am – 10:30 am Middle and High School	The Current K – 5 th Grade 6:30pm – 8:00pm Location: Room 10 Overflow Youth	Cares, the community Food Pantry. Suggested items for December are <i>Jello</i> , <i>pudding, cookies, chips, cheese</i> <i>slices, pancake mix and syrup,</i> <i>ground coffee, tea bags, fruit</i> <i>snacks, canned soups, canned</i>
<u>Youth</u> 9:30am – 10:30am Worship in sanctuary	6 th – 12 th Grade 6:30 – 8:00 pm Location: Room 12	<i>beans, etc.</i> Next Van Pick Up: 12/26/21

Life Groups Meeting Throughout the Week

NOTICE: All groups are always open to newcomers - no reservation necessary, just show up. Due to the Covid-19 pandemic, many groups are meeting on ZOOM. Contact the Leader of the group you would like to attend to access the meeting on ZOOM.

<u>SUNDAY</u>

9:30 am Davidson Group – A study of the Gospel of Luke will begin on October 10th. All you need is a Bible, and if you forget yours, we'll loan you one. Contact Ron Roberson: **operations@sapcd.org**

6:00 pm Impact – meets 1st and 3rd Sundays on ZOOM. Contact Barb Hogsett(<u>bshogsett@gmail.com)</u> or Trish Pierson (<u>trishpierson@hotmail.com</u>).

MONDAY

6:00 pm – Bowman Group. Meeting in Room 12. Contact Amanda Bowman (<u>amanda@sapcd.org</u>).

7:00 pm - Love Does is a hybrid meeting on Zoom and at the Fiegle home. Contact Debi Fiegle (**dajfig@msn.com**).

<u>TUESDAY</u>

2:00 pm – Presbyterian Women Circles meet on ZOOM the 2nd Tuesday of each month. Contact Dr. Janice Raymond for link (**jransmar@gmail.com**).

2:00 pm – Dr. Janice Raymond - Bible Study - Revelations on ZOOM. Contact Dr. Janice Raymond for link (**jransmar@gmail.com**).

FRIDAY

6:30 pm - Friday Night Light – 1st & 3rd Fridays on ZOOM. Studying from Right-Now Media videos. Contact Carol White (<u>cwsunny@verizon.net</u>).

MINISTRY OF PRAYER

Those With Special Needs

Charlotte Quick Dan and Sue Latsha Dianna Carty Cindy Withrow Jean Lennon Patty Ingman Eleanor Conklin Jeannine Beebe John Corl Martha Brown Janet Calve Jack Beebe Barry Dowdy Betty DeBauche

Those Serving in the Military

Jeremy Roberson (Navy) Chris Bogart (Air Force) Sergio Adam Castillejo (Coast Guard) Trevor Grantham (Marines) Cody Noble (Marines) Jacob Miller (Navy)

Those Who Grieve

The family of Janice Wisinski in the passing of her brother Gene Snyder The family of Shirley Colglazier The family of Allan Botbyl The family of Carole Wilson

Those in the Hospital

Those Who Are in Homes, Assisted Living, Nursing Homes and Rehab Centers Eleanor Conklin, St. Mark Village Long Term Health Care Center, Palm Harbor Myra Exler, Mease Manor Assisted Living, Dunedin Bill Hupp, Consulate Health Care, Safety Harbor Dee Nickels, St. Marks Memory Care, Palm Harbor Opal Roth, Arden Courts, Palm Harbor Louise Smith, Coral Oaks Assisted Living, Palm Harbor Nancy Sullivan, Grand Villa, Clearwater

Out of the Area

Marjorie Krueger, Clare Bridge of Jacksonville, 1005 Old St. Augustine Rd, Jacksonville, FL 32257 Pat Quinlan, Woodbury Senior Living, 7012 Lake Rd, Woodbury, MN 55125

In addition, please pray for our church, the church universal, our community, our nation and our world, those in distressing circumstances, and those in authority.

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Sunday, December 19, 2021 8:00 AM - 1:00 PM

St. Andrews Presbyterian Church

All donors will receive a OneBlood Blanket and a \$10 eGift Card! Plus, a wellness checkup including blood pressure, temperature, iron count, pulse and cholesterol screening.

> Appointments are encouraged, please visit www.oneblood.org/donate-now and use sponsor code #12470







Pastor Pablo & Elba Diaz Gratitude Party

Sunday, December 26th following the 11:00 a.m. Service in the Patio Room.

Main Course Provided Please bring sides & desserts



Christmas Eve Services Friday, December 24th

Family Christmas Service Ends with Candlelight 6:30pm (Children accompany parents in service)

Traditional Christmas Service

Communion Service Ends with Candlelight 11:00pm (Children accompany parents in service)





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