

Greeter Today: Barbara Quesenberry  
 Greeter Next Week: Patty Clark  
**Note:** Greeters, if you will not be available a particular Sunday, please contact Barbara at the church office.  
 Nursery Today: Mary Anne Thomas and Patty Clark  
 Nursery Next Week: Angie Cooper and Beverley Cole  
**Note:** Nursery Volunteers, if you switch your scheduled day, please contact Barbara at the church office after calling Retha to change your day.  
 Young Disciples' Worship: Tim & Holly Briscoe  
 Deacon of the Month for November: Mark White (676-0461)  
 Deacon of the Month for December: Rick Hall (628-3037)

<b>This Week's Events</b>			
Sun.	Nov. 27	9:45am 11:00am	Sunday School Worship Service-1st Sunday of Advent- Two Cents Meal-Last day to order a poinsettia
Wed.	Nov. 30	10:00am 7:00pm	Bible Study/Prayer Group Choir Practice
Sat.	Dec. 3	Noon	Widows(ers)/Singles Luncheon in the fellowship hall
<b>Coming Soon</b>			
Sun.	Dec. 4	9:45am 11:00am  After worship	Sunday School Worship Service-2nd Sunday of Advent- Hanging of the Greens-Communion- Congregational Meeting after worship Children's Play Practice
Wed.	Dec. 7	10:00am 7:00pm	Brunch at Perkins Choir Practice
Sat.	Dec. 10	10:00am	Poinsettia delivery

**A member congregation of the Presbyterian Church (USA), Abingdon Presbytery  
 Green Spring Presbyterian Church  
 serves Jesus Christ at  
 22007 Green Spring Church Road, Abingdon, VA 24211  
 Adult & Children Sunday School Classes at 9:45am  
 Worship Service & Young Disciples' Worship at 11:00am  
 Nursery Provided  
 Pastor's study and fax line (276) 628-7739 Pastor's cell # (276) 206-6370  
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# Green Spring Presbyterian Church

## Order of Worship

1st Sunday of Advent

November 27, 2011

Prelude *Light the Advent Candle* Walker

Welcome and Announcements

Passing the Peace

One: The Lord be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

The Lighting of the Advent Candle

Solo, Erin Evans *God with Us, Emmanuel* Raney

Statement about the first Candle

Solo Response *God with Us, Emmanuel*

The Candle is Lighted

Prayer

\*Hymn #135 *Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus*

\*Prayer of Confession

**Faithful God, your promises stand unshaken through all generations. Renew us in that hope, we pray, because we are often unsettled by the world around us. Greed replaces gratitude. Gridlock replaces grace. And our hope is misplaced. Forgive us, we pray and restore our hope in your goodness come our way in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

\*Affirmation of Faith (*Confession of 1967, 9.16, 9.26*)

**God has created the world of space and time to be the sphere of his dealing with people. In its beauty and vastness, sublimity and awfulness, order and disorder, the world reflects to the eye of faith the majesty and mystery of its creator.**

**Life in Christ is eternal. The resurrection of Jesus is God's sign that God will consummate his work of creation and reconciliation beyond death and bring to fulfillment the new life begun in Christ.**

\*Response of Praise (*Gloria Patri*, #805)

Time with Young Disciples\*\*\*

\*Hymn #374 *Now Thank We All Our God*

Scripture Reading 1 Corinthians 1:3-9

The Offering

Offertory *Do You Hear What I Hear* Regney-Shayne

\*Doxology (#809)

\*Prayer of Thanksgiving

Anthem *Come Now, O Prince of Peace* Korean

Congregation is invited to join in singing the 4th verse (see insert)

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Choral Amen

Scripture Reading Mark 13:24-37

One: The Word of the Lord!

**All: Thanks be to God!**

Sermon *Awake!* Jon Martin

\*Hymn #271 *Christ Is Coming! Let Creation*

\*Benediction

\*Choral Response *Rejoice!* Neale

\*Postlude

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\*Congregation please stand.

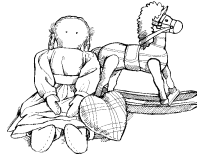
\*\*\* K through 5th grade depart for Young Disciples' Worship following the Time with Young Disciples.

## † OUR CHURCH AT WORK †

November 27, 2011

### ◆ Nursery Helpers for December:

December 4-Angie Cooper and Beverley Cole  
December 11-JoAnn Kilbourne and Sue Gibson  
December 18-Mary Jane Crosby and Norma Smith  
December 25-Sam and Erin Evans



### ◆ Attention Circle Members:

The **Evening Circle** will meet on December 12th at 7:00pm at the home of Mary Jane Crosby.  
The **Morning Circle** will meet on December 14th at 10:00am in the fellowship hall.

### ◆ Rest Home Birthday Reminders for December:

Resident birthdays and sponsors for December are:

**Robert Davis** 12th (Blair & Gilda Keller)  
**Hazel Worley** 12th (David & Jane Prater)  
**Mark Paul Jones** 22nd (John & Patty Clark)  
**Clara Turley** 23rd (Rick & Linda Hall)

**Birthdays**



◆ **Welcome to the First Sunday of Advent.** We will have the lighting of the first **Advent Candle** by John Blake, Jr. and Deborah Weddington.

◆ Last Sunday there were 118 in worship. The offering total was \$3,148.00, all to the General Fund. As of last Sunday, we have received \$167,722.47 toward our budget total of \$200,693.00. Our weekly goal is \$3,860.00.

◆ Next week's readings are: Isaiah 40:1-11; Psalm 85:1-2, 8-13; 2 Peter 3:8-15a; Mark 1:1-8.

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Jon Elliott Martin, Pastor  
Barbara King, Secretary/Office Manager  
Kevin Flannagan, Choir Director  
Patti Quarles, Accompanist

◆ This Sunday let us pray for **Maple Grove Presbyterian Church**, Stephen Talbert, CLP and for our entire congregation, especially the following:  
**Ann Lowry, Betty Capriola, Roberta Richey, Baird Smith, Sandy Surber, Jackie Cantrell, William Harris, Lois Gillespie, Ginger Harris, Sara Lawson, Doris Poe, Bob Lowe, Carolyn Deaton, Lynn McConnell, David King, Virginia Thompson, Connie & Tom Counts, Edna McConnell, Sue Elkins, Sandra Wimmer, Nancy Thompson, Bill & Marge Margerum, Janet McCauley, Blair Keller, John Briscoe, Erma Combs, Rhonda Moore, Carter Garrett, Jr., Marshall Jones, Barbara Blevins, Edith Ratliff, Jane Bloom, Brenda Sprinkle, Karen Combs, Virginia McFarlane, Dr. Jim Gardner, Aiden Beard, Jim Groseclose, Melanie Keene, Eva Bailey, Phyllis Garner, Phyllis Dorton, Nancy Greary, Don Stephens, Lena McVey, Rickey White, Terry White, Eric Wimmer, Jim Losinger, April Haga, Brenda Branson, Lucas Bailey and Helen Carter.**



◆ **Note:** Please use the **colored cards** in the pew racks for **prayer requests**. Place them in the offering plate, during the offering.

◆ Children's Play Practice will not be held today, but will resume next week right after worship.

◆ The **"Two Cents Per Meal"** offering will be received this morning. These monies are used in the Presbytery and around the world to help fight hunger. Please use the envelopes in the pew racks or designate your check **"Two Cents Meal"**. Thank you.



◆ **DEADLINE TO ORDER CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS IS TODAY!**

The cost this year will be \$9.00 per plant. An order form is in the bulletin today. Please **give the form and the money to Barbara King after worship today**. The poinsettias will be placed in the sanctuary on December 11th and a bulletin insert will list those who placed a poinsettia in honor of or in memory of a friend or loved one. Thank you for your order!

◆ There will be a **"Widows(ers)/Singles Christmas Luncheon"** on Saturday, December 3rd at 12:00 Noon in the fellowship hall.



◆ **Next Sunday**, December 4th, the **Sacrament of the Lord's Supper** will be observed during the morning worship service by distribution.

◆ **Please Note:** There will be a Congregational Meeting on December 4th at the conclusion of worship to hear the report of the Nominating Committee and to elect Elders and Deacons for the Class of 2014 and one Elder to the Class of 2012.

◆ **VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED** from the congregation to help with the **"Hanging of the Greens"** at the beginning of the Sunday morning worship service at 11:00am next Sunday, December 4, 2011. Those who have participated in times past are urged to take part and any new folks who have not taken part are encouraged to help. Any volunteers interested in helping please call the church office at 628-6288.



◆ The **"Rest Home Angel Tree"** gifts are to be here at the church by December 4th and no later than December 11th. Santa will deliver the gifts at the Rest Home Party on December 19th at 7:00pm. If you have any questions or would like to help with the party, speak to Mary Jane Crosby.

◆ In order that we may know who is attending worship, especially the visitors, would **everyone** please fill out the pad in the pew and pass it to the next person beside you. Thank you.



◆ On Sunday evening, December 11th at 6:30pm at Watauga Chapel, the Choir will present "Christmas around the World", a special program of Christmas Carols from Germany, England, China, France, the West Indies, and the Caribbean. Joining the choir will be guest flute player Jennifer Matthews, a flute major at Appalachian State University and guest tenor soloist Robert Matthews, Choral Director at Emory & Henry College. Make plans now to attend this wonderful musical celebration!

◆ The **Session** will meet on December 13, 2011 at 7:00pm in the fellowship hall.

