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First Sunday of Advent December 2, 2012

Worship at 9:30 am

No matter who you are, or where you are on life's journey, you're welcome here!

ORDER OF WORSHIP

9:30 a.m. - First Sunday of Advent

Gathering Songs

Freedom Is Coming *Come, O Redeemer, Come" words and music by Fernando Ortega



Ringing of the Church Bell

Call to Worship

The Ketcham Family

Leader: On unknown paths we wait for birth.

People: Filled with fear and wonder,

Our excitement and imagination can barely be contained.

Leader: This first candle of Advent illuminates our expectant waiting, Shining the light of Hope on all trepidation and chaos.

All: We light this candle as a sign of God's hope in a hopefamished world.

Prayer of Invocation

The Ketcham Family

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Hymn Canticle of the Turning COUNTY DOWN

Words by Rory Cooney

My soul cries out with a joy - ful shout that the God of my heart is great. am small, my God, my all, you Though Ι work great things in me, From the halls of power to the for-tress tower, not a stone will be left on stone. Though the na-tions rage from we re-mem-ber who holds us fast, age to age And my spi-rit sings of the won-drous things that you bring to the ones who wait. and your mer-cy will last from the depths of the past to the end of the age to be. Let the king be - ware for your jus - tice tears ev-'ry ty - rant from his throne. God's mer-cy must de us from the con-quer-or's crush-ing grasp. liv - er You fixed you sight on a ser - vant's plight and my weak-ness you did not spurn, Your ve - ry name puts the proud to shame and to those who would for you yearn, The hun-gry poor shall weep no more, for the food they can ne - ver earn; This say - ing word that our for - bears heard is the pro - mise which holds us bound, **SO** from east to west shall my name be blest. Could the world be a - bout to turn? you will show your might, put the strong to flight, for the world is a - bout to turn. there are ta - bles spread, ev-'ry mouth be fed, for the world is a - bout to turn. 'til the spear and rod can be crushed by God who is turn - ing the world a - round! of the day you bring. Let the fires My heart shall sing of your jus - tice

burn! Wipe a-way all tears for the dawn draws near, and the world is a-bout to turn!

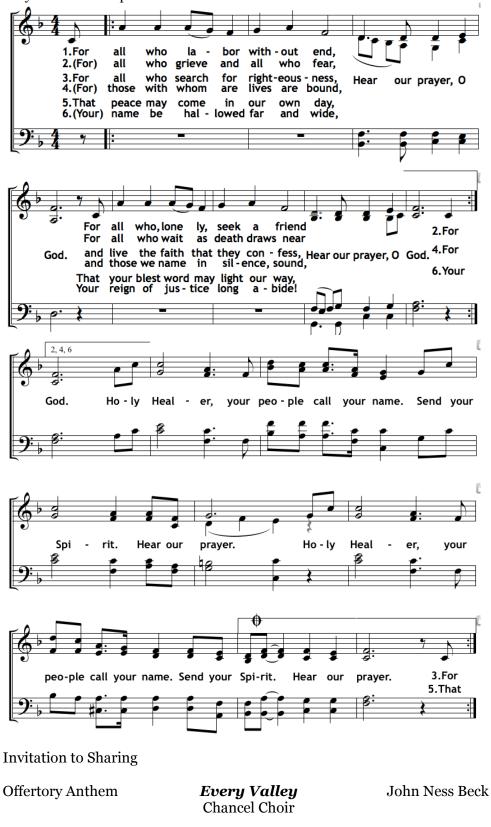
Scripture Reading

Passing of the Peace

Announcements, Joys and Concerns

Rev. Julie Yarborough

Prayers of the People



Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Sing praise, all creatures here below. OLD 100TH

Praise God above, ye heavenly hosts; Creator, Christ and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Advent Reflection What Are You Waiting For? Rev. Caroline Dean

Service of Holy Communion

Closing Prayer



Ushers for 9:30 am: Ann Marie Remus, Eunice Couselo, Patty Caputo, and Rosemarie Gelber

Welcome! Visiting today? Please complete a Visitor Card and drop into the offering plate and join us for fellowship after today's service.

The **<u>third white candle</u>** on the altar is lit in hope of world peace.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday School: There is no Sunday school today.



To all members and friends of Christ Church:

The Executive Board invites all members and friends to attend the annual Financial Review meeting to be held in Barnwell Hall following the first service on Sunday, Dec. 9. Prior to the meeting, information will be circulated detailing the progression of recent years' adopted operating budgets and reporting the current status of the 2012 budget. At this meeting, we will also provide our preliminary estimates of the 2013 budget proposal to be voted on in early 2013. Board members will be present to discuss comments and questions regarding all aspects of the church's finances, as well as inquiries concerning the plans and projects of individual boards and committees. We look forward to seeing you at this important information session.

Executive Board of Christ Church

YOUTH ANNOUNCEMENTS:

December 2nd-Middle School 5:30:Random Acts of Kindness Night December 9th – High School 5:30: Christmas Dinner & White Elephant Gifts

December 16th - Middle School 5:30: Christmas Trivia & Games December 23rd and 30th – No Youth Group

Nicaragua Trip 2013!

All High School Youth and Adults are welcome to attend. If you are interested in going on the Nicaragua Service-Learning Trip during the first two weeks of August of 2013 please attend this information session on **Thursday December 6th at 7:30pm.**

If you cannot make it and you are interested in the trip please email Caroline, cdean@ccsnj.org.

WHO: Service-Learning Mission Trip for both High School Youth and Adults
WHEN: Exact dates TBD but we have a range of options during the first two weeks of August. We are usually gone for about 10 days.
The dates will be confirmed in mid December.
TRIP COST: Around \$1,200
COMMITMENT LEVEL: We meet monthly in the winter/spring to prepare for the trip. Students are also responsible for leadership and participation in our fund

raising events during the year.

<u>RISE 2013</u>: Construction Service Learning Trip! All High School Students are welcome to attend. If you are interested in RISE 2013 please email cdean@ccsnj.org Our dates will be in the first two weeks of July 2013 (dates will be confirmed in January)

WHO: Students who have completed the 9th-12th grade And chaperones TRIP COST: \$250 COMMITMENT LEVEL: Students will participate in fund-raising events and youth events in the winter/spring to prepare for the trip.

More questions? Email Caroline Dean @ cdean@ccsnj.org

Age-ing and Sage-ing: There is no meeting this week, December 2. The

next meeting with be on Sunday, December 9 to discuss the spirituality of "age-ing and sage-ing" and it's many challenges and joys.

Bridges Christmas Gifts: On **Sunday December 16th** our congregation will be collecting gloves and hats in worship for the special December Confirmation Bridges Run. These gloves and hats will be given out on the confirmation Bridges Run in lieu of white paper gifts. Please do not wrap the gloves and hats. We will also be collecting holiday gift bags that the confirmation students can wrap the hats and gloves in (they can be simple gift bags). We need over a hundred pairs and hats and gloves and we appreciate your support!

PROGRESSIVE DINNER, Saturday, January 26th. SAVE THE DATE

Sunday	Choir Practice – Sanctuary	8:45 am
December 2,	First Worship Service	9:30 am
2012	NO Church Mice	
	Coffee Hour – Barnwell Hall	10:30 am
	Genesis Choir - Sanctuary	10:45 am
	Canticle Singers – Lile Hall	11:00 am
	High School Youth Choir	11:15 am
First Sunday of	NO Second Worship Service	
Advent	Youth Group	5:30 pm

Christ Church is an inter-denominational congregation providing a spiritual and inspirational environment where all are welcome. Our congregation believes in the power of spirituality and community to positively shape the purpose and direction of human life.

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