

*Chapel by the Sea  
Presbyterian Church (USA)  
4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent  
December 22, 2019*



*Chapel by the Sea was the first church on our island and remains a church for the community, welcoming all people seeking to know and serve Christ. We are a mission for Jesus Christ and church for all seasons...*

*...seasons of life*

*...seasons of the year*

*...seasons of our growth as Christians*

# ***A WORSHIP SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY***

*TOLLING OF THE BELL*

*WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS*

Dr. Steve Adkison

*FOCUS ON MINISTRY*

*Christmas Joy*

Anita Turner

*PRELUDE*

*Hark The Herald Angels Sing  
Chapel Bells*

Felix Mendelsohn

*MUSIC FOR ADVENT*

*Light of Light  
Chancel Choir and Chapel Bells*

Joel Raney

*RESPONSIVE LITANY*

Diane Means, Liturgist

One: Advent is a time to let go of anger and fear

**All: God of love, fill our hearts with true compassion.**

One: Advent is a time to look for the best in others.

**All: God of love, help us speak truth with kindness.**

One: Advent is a time to share with those in need.

**All: God of love, remind us that in giving, we receive.**

One: Advent is a time to notice and appreciate the good around us.

**All: God of love, help us see the world through loving eyes.**

*LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLES*

Diane and Jerry Lannoye

*\*HYMN #38 (All Verses)*

*It Came Upon the Midnight Clear*

CAROL

*CALL TO RENEWAL*

Diane Means, Liturgist

**And so we live our lives imperfectly, for we are flawed. But we are also loved by the God in whose image we were created. Let us remake ourselves toward that image as we make our confession before God and each other.**

*PRAYER OF RENEWAL (unison)*

Diane Means, Liturgist

**O Creator, promise for the world, hear our prayers during this time of waiting. We hear your call to journey toward the light, and yet we stumble. Our journey toward your promise of Christ's coming is filled with doubt, pain and often despair that there is meaning in the waiting. Our losses, our worries overtake us, so that we dwell in darkness rather than moving toward the light. Create in us the thread of hope that pulls us forward from promise to the miracle of new life. Create in us a clean spirit so that our journey is no longer weary, but filled with the energy of adventure! As the Christ child comes, so we, too, come back to you this day. Amen.**

(...Time for Silent Contemplation)

*GOOD NEWS OF FORGIVENESS*

Diane Means, Liturgist

In Jesus Christ, we are set free and our sins are forgiven!

**Our thanks be to God!**

*\*GLORIA PATRI*

**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. A – men, A – men.**

*CHILDREN'S SERMON*

Dr. Adkison

*PRAYER OF BLESSING & THE 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, the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

*OFFERTORY*

*Bread of Heaven*  
Solo: Jeannine Adair

Traditional

*\*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. A-men.**



## *Christmas Eve Candlelight Services at Chapel by the Sea:*

December 24 at 7:00 p.m. & 9:00 p.m.

### *Weekly Announcements*

**Spaghetti Dinners** — The next Spaghetti Dinner at Chapel by the Sea will be on January 11, 2020. Join us for Mama Chapeletti's famous slow-simmered sauce, hand-rolled meatballs, spicy sausage w/peppers & onions, salad, garlic bread, dessert, cold drinks and coffee. \$15 Adults / FREE for Kids 10 and Under/ \$5 Wine Tickets (2 – 6oz. glasses of red or white)

**“Food For The Body And Soul”** — If you are visiting a member of friend who is homebound or unable to cook for themselves, stop by the church to pick up a homemade meal to deliver on your visit. The freezer is filled with single portion soups and small entrees. For those who just want a quick meal, you may pick up items for a donation of \$3.00 each. Currently we have: Stuffed Peppers with Brown Rice, Chili with Beans, Chicken Noodle Soup, Chicken & Rice Soup (gluten free), Tuscan Soup (made with kale, cannelloni beans & turkey), Roast Pork Dinner with Sweet Potatoes (gluten free). Please note, the pork dinner is \$5.00 per container.) New items will be added to the menu throughout the season. A special “thank you” to Arlene and Diane for making the meals for the “Food For The Body & Soul” outreach program.

**Balance Class** — NEW for 2020!... Exercise class each Tuesday for the month of January to improve your balance and prevent falls – starting in early January, 10:00 a.m. every Tuesday at Chapel by the Sea. The class will be taught by Ann Fossum, Chapel's Parish Nurse. All are welcome to attend, and there is no charge. Look for more information and details in upcoming bulletins and the January Tidings.

**AARP Smart Driver Course** — January 17, 2020 9:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at Chapel by the Sea. Refresh your driving skills with the AARP SMART DRIVER COURSE! You will learn: Defensive driving techniques, proven safety strategies, new traffic laws and rules of the road. Plus, there are no tests to pass. You simply sign up and learn. Upon completion, you could receive a multi-year discount on your car insurance. To register call Chapel by the Sea at (239) 463-3173. \$15.00 for AARP members and \$20.00 for non-members. For more information visit [www.aarp.org/drive](http://www.aarp.org/drive).

**Music** — Snowbirds Welcome! (and Residents, too)! Come join the choir and discover the joys of singing praises to God! Practice on Wednesdays at 11:00 a.m.

**Sisters In Spirit (SIS)** — The next SIS meeting will be on January 14 at 11:00 a.m. at Chapel by the Sea. Genelle Grant will give a presentation about the Grace Project, which is a project that helps to better the lives of impoverished women. After the presentation, the group will have lunch at Tuckaway Café. Please call Nancy Combs at (239) 233-8630 for more information.

**Flowers** — Order a floral arrangement for Sunday Worship to honor a life-cycle event, to mark a special anniversary, and/or to remember a loved one. Each arrangement is \$25.00. Stop by the office, call, or email to let us know how you would like the acknowledgement worded.

**Chapel by the Sea Online** — Go online at [www.chapelbts.org](http://www.chapelbts.org) to check out the Chapel Calendar and more! Check out the Chapel Facebook page for pictures and upcoming events!

**Coffee Hour** — Everyone is welcome to enjoy coffee, snacks and fellowship after the Worship Service.

### *On-Going Activities at Chapel by the Sea*

**Children's Church/Nursery** — Sunday mornings at the 10:00 a.m. Worship Service.

**Solomon's Porch** — Tuesdays, Chapel Library from 3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

**YOGA** — The class meets on Wednesdays from 10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m., Session Room of Silver Hall. Research shows that YOGA decreases stress, improves balance, and promotes better sleep.

**Cub Scouts** — Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m. in Silver Hall

**Chapel Habitat Builders** — The team's expertise includes siding (vinyl), painting (interior and exterior), demo, cleanup, accessorizing, and any number of other skills. No experience or special tools are required. They work Thursdays, leaving the rear of Chapel parking lot at 7:30 a.m. and returning to the Chapel by 3:30 p.m. Call Tom Means at (586) 915-0621 for more information.

**Sew N Sews** — Thursdays, 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. Lunch at noon, bring a bagged lunch.

**Immokalee Soup Kitchen** — Chapel serves lunch at Immokalee Soup Kitchen on Friday, December 27. Sign-up sheets are available in Silver Hall.

**Alzheimer's Association Caregiver Support Group** — Conducted by trained facilitators, 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday of each month, 1:00 – 2:30 p.m. in the Library of Silver Hall. Contact Parish Nurse, Ann Fossum at (239) 463-3173 ext. 13 or [ann@chapelbts.org](mailto:ann@chapelbts.org)

**Healing Service** — 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of each month after the Worship Service.

**The Week at a Glance...for a complete calendar, Go to  
[www.chapelbts.org](http://www.chapelbts.org)**

**Sunday, December 22**

9:00 a.m. Special Music Rehearsal  
 9:15 a.m. – 9:50 a.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal  
 10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. Worship Service  
 11:15 a.m. Coffee, Snacks & Fellowship

**Monday, December 23**

11:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. Bridge

**Tuesday, December 24**

7:00 p.m. **Christmas Eve (Office Closed)**  
 Christmas Eve Candlelight Service  
 9:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Candlelight Service

**Wednesday, December 25 Christmas Day (Office Closed)**

**Thursday, December 26**

7:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. Habitat for Humanity  
 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. Sew N Sews

**Friday, December 27**

9:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. Immokalee Soup Kitchen

**Saturday, December 28 No Scheduled Events**

**Sunday, December 29**

9:00 a.m. Special Music Rehearsal  
 9:15 a.m. – 9:50 a.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal  
 10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. Worship Service  
 11:15 a.m. Coffee, Snacks & Fellowship

**\*Weekly  
Community  
Events**

\*AA, Room 5  
Mon, Wed,  
Thurs 7:30 a.m.

\*AA, Room 5  
Tues 8:00 a.m.  
and 10:30 a.m.  
(Women's Group)

\*AA, Room 5  
Tues 8:00 p.m.

\*AA, Room 5  
Thurs 8:00 p.m.

\*AA, Room 5  
Fri 8:00 p.m.

\*AA/ALANON,  
Room 5  
Mon 8:00 p.m.

\*God's Table  
(Homeless  
Outreach)  
Mon – Fri  
7:00 a.m.–8:30  
a.m.

\*St. Vincent de  
Paul  
Mon 9:00 a.m.–  
10:00 a.m.

## Prayer Guide — December 22, 2019

Please pray for...

- Jane Deacy
- Zaidy Rincon
- Donald J.
- Tom Barley
- Ben Wallace – deployed Afghanistan
- The people of Samoa – measles epidemic
- Bill McFarland
- John Beal
- Kent Sneller
- Ada Beebe
- The Carters
- Dudley Moore
- Marie Moore
- Eileen
- Jackson
- Kathy
- Chris M.
- Brenda
- Mary Reilly
- Vann Turner
- Kate Mason
- Christopher M.
- Santoni Family
- Alex
- Mary Butler
- Carol Mason
- Kailin F.
- Donald Iverster
- Shirley Sturm
- Sue Seby
- Kim McCallum
- The Bushnell Family
- Pat Murphy
- Bob Eubanks
- Gwen Green
- Barbara
- Christopher Blackmer
- Paul S.
- Kevin K.
- Mary Collins
- Steve Q
- Dean Guanli
- Jenny Bianco
- Dan Taylor
- Peggy Huff
- Tom S.
- Mollie Hillier
- Carole Magie
- Carolyn Davis
- Natasha
- Eric Petrie
- Emily
- Sherman
- Diane Wilson
- Debbie
- Maria Werner
- David Conrad
- Tim
- Michael and Jim
- Jake Neiman, USAF (deployed)
- Bev Mather
- Steve Bevens
- Barb & Dan Wickell
- Marge Foy
- R.J. & Family
- Andrew Stewart
- Bob Horning Family
- Drew Smith
- Nicole Fisher
- Karin, Cody, Carol, Phil
- Merlyn O'Malley
- Kelly Bynum & Family
- P. Vandlen
- Bob Allegier
- Darlene Guess
- Tievoli Spikes & Family
- Sue Glatz
- Jessica & Doug Grant & Baby Graelin
- Chris Sluyter
- Kathy Frazee
- Chris Foster
- LaCombe Families
- Craig & Laurie Furlong
- Rich & Nita Cusano
- Russ. C.
- Unspoken
- Golden Family in MD
- Alyssa Holte, USN (deployed)
- Joy Booth
- Joshua Stevens, USN Stateside

\*\*\*\*\*

**Ushers:** Clif & Wanda Hart, Eileen Hoffman, Jim & Sondra Hunt, Jerry & Diane Lannoye, John Stanek

**Greeters:** Jack & Julia Palmer

**Staff:** The Rev. Dr. Stephen D. Adkison, Pastor/Head of Staff ([skypilot\\_mddiv@hotmail.com](mailto:skypilot_mddiv@hotmail.com);

Cell: 573-822-8695)

Michael Melnikov, Director of Music/Organist

Ann Fossum, Parish Nurse ([ann@chapelbts.org](mailto:ann@chapelbts.org))

Denise Armstrong, Office Administrator

Holly Tribble, Administrative Assistant

Philip Jordan, Facilities Manager

Darren Harkulich, Sexton

Vacant, Audio/Visual Booth

The Rev. Don Jafvert, Pastor Emeritus

Chapel Phone (239) 463-3173

[\\*chapel@chapelbts.org](mailto:*chapel@chapelbts.org) [\\*www.chapelbts.org](http:*www.chapelbts.org); 100 Chapel, FMB, FL 33931